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**Arleigh Burke Pavilion receives 5-star rating from CMS**

McLean, VA –Vinson Hall Retirement Community is pleased to announce that Arleigh Burke Pavilion’s skilled nursing facility has received the highest rating for overall quality from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

The CMS Five-Star Quality Rating System rates the nation’s skilled nursing facilities on a 1- to 5-Star scale, based on the results of onsite surveys to determine their compliance with federal and state regulations during a 12-month period. Facilities are rated on the results of their performance in complying with healthcare standards, quality measures, and staffing. Only the top 10 percent of nursing homes are eligible for the Five-Star Rating. CMS computes the Five-Star Ratings each month based on the most current survey data it receives for each facility. Established in 2008, the rankings reflect federal criteria set by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and are posted on the CMS Nursing Home Compare website.

“Arleigh Burke Pavilion’s five-star quality rating is a tribute to the dedication and professionalism of our wonderful staff and their focus on person centered care.” Mike Hendee, Chief Operating Officer, Vinson Hall Retirement Community

As a 5-Star ranked facility Arleigh Burke Pavilion is also recognized as one of the “Best Nursing Homes in 2014” by the US News & World Report.

Opened in 1969, Vinson Hall Retirement Community was originally intended to provide affordable housing for military officers’ widows. In 1987, Arleigh Burke Pavilion, an assisted living and healthcare residence was added. In 2003, The Sylvestery, a secure assisted living residence serving those with memory loss was opened. Military affiliation is not required for residency at Arleigh Burke Pavilion or The Sylvestery.

In 2013 Vinson Hall Retirement Community renovated two of its apartments to serve as transitional housing for wounded warriors who stand to benefit from a supportive environment that can accommodate their unique needs. In addition, a major construction project is underway for a 75 unit independent living apartment building, as well as a community building that will include a state of the art short term rehabilitation unit. Both buildings are scheduled to open in the Fall of 2014.

Donations to the Navy Marine Coast Guard Residence Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization that raises funds to support the mission and vision of Vinson Hall Retirement Community, including Wounded Warrior Transitional Housing, can be made via our website at [www.nmcgrf.org](http://www.nmcgrf.org).

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