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AMANDA WIK, ECUMEN DETROIT LAKES, RECEIVES MAKE ZERO HARM POSSIBLE AWARD

Saint Paul, MN (Oct. 3, 2019) – Amanda Wik, Licensed Social Worker at Ecumen Detroit Lakes, recently received the Make Zero Harm Possible Award from LeadingAge Minnesota.

The award recognizes staff in aging services settings who demonstrate their commitment to safe, quality care and to treating the people they serve with respect and dignity – always.

“Amanda Wik is a champion for safe, quality care. She is passionate about providing individualized care to all who live at Ecumen Detroit Lakes,” said Gayle Kvenvold, President and CEO, LeadingAge Minnesota. “It is our honor to recognize Amanda and shine a light on the positive contributions she has made to elders she serves and her fellow team members, helping all experience a life well lived.”

In addition to her responsibilities as a licensed social worker at Ecumen Detroit Lakes, Wik currently serves as co-champion of Ecumen Safe Care for Seniors. Safe Care for Seniors is a comprehensive safety and quality improvement program designed to strengthen the culture of safety, prevent the risk of harm before it occurs, and uncover new opportunities for learning and improvement in the delivery of care and services.

Danielle Olson, Executive Director at Ecumen Detroit Lakes, credits Wik and her Safe Care counterpart for creating a stronger safety culture by identifying situations that could prevent harm, actively working to prevent them with a broader interdisciplinary team, and then sharing the learnings through a campus wide newsletter.

“Amanda has a passion for safe and dignified care. She is a strong advocate for resident rights and challenges everyone to think differently on how we can best provide safe, quality care and services to those who call Ecumen Detroit Lakes home,” Olson said.

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About LeadingAge Minnesota

Driven to transform and enhance the experience of aging, LeadingAge Minnesota is the state’s largest association of organizations serving older adults. Together with more than 60,000 caregivers, our members provide quality, compassionate services and support to nearly 70,000 older adults every day in independent living, assisted living, adult day, and skilled nursing.