



## **Watercrest Senior Living Group Congratulates Shannon Morelli for Academic Excellence and Career Achievements**

VERO BEACH, FL, May 20, 2016 – [Watercrest Senior Living Group](#) celebrates the outstanding achievements of [Shannon Morelli](#), Director of Quality Services for earning her Registered Nurse (RN) License and Associate Nursing Degree, graduating with high honors from the Rasmussen College School of Nursing. Morelli was selected as the ADN Graduate Speaker for the 2016 spring graduation ceremony, delivering an inspirational address to her fellow graduates and clinical partners.

Morelli completed the two-year nursing program while simultaneously serving as Director of Quality Services for all [Watercrest Senior Living](#) communities. Graduating on the Dean's List, Morelli also acted as Vice President of the Rasmussen Student Nurses Association, Captain of the Rasmussen Students Relay for Life team and as a member of the Rasmussen Leadership Academy.

Morelli joined the Watercrest team in March of 2013, drawn to the organization by a shared passion for serving seniors and delivering the highest standards of care. The [Watercrest culture](#), a primary focus for owners, [Marc Vorkapich](#), CEO and [Joan Williams](#), CFO celebrates the God-given talents of associates and a commitment to invest in their servant hearts, developing value-centered leaders who enable others to realize their full potential. "We are nothing as a company without our amazing and dedicated associates who have a passion to welcome, care and serve our residents and families. It is a privilege to support each of our team members in their personal growth and career development and we celebrate Shannon for her passion and determination," says [Marc Vorkapich](#), CEO of Watercrest Senior Living Group.

Watercrest associates are recognized for their achievements and empowered to pursue their goals and share experiences with their peers. "This is my lifelong dream come true. After obtaining my LPN license fifteen years ago, I felt it would be impossible to return to school while juggling a family and career. Marc and Joanie recognized my true potential and stepped forward, offering to send me back to school and make my long-term goal a reality," says Shannon Morelli, RN and Director of Clinical Services.

As Director of Quality Services, Shannon oversees the clinical aspects of all resident care, while managing the talented team of resident wellness directors in each community. In October of 2015, Shannon was instrumental in the opening of the premier [Watercrest of Lake Nona Assisted Living and Memory Care Community](#). In a feat of proficiency, the 76,000 square foot, 80-unit senior living community passed their initial AHCA survey deficiency free, just two days after receiving their Certificate of Occupancy from the City of Orlando.

[Watercrest Senior Living](#), located in Vero Beach, specializes in the development and operations of assisted living and memory care communities. With nearly a dozen communities under development nationwide, Watercrest principals, [Marc Vorkapich](#), CEO and [Joan Williams](#), CFO are setting new standards of quality for seniors and their families in the development of upscale senior living communities with exceptional amenities such as private label Watercrest wines, locally grown organic fare, cultural programs and distinctive opportunities for enrichment.

Partnering with a wide variety of stakeholders such as land owners, real estate developers, investors, financial institutions, and REITs, [Watercrest Senior Living Group](#) focuses on its core strengths, operations management of assisted living and memory care communities and the development of servant leaders.

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