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## **The Boston Home Designated as Center of Excellence, Earns Highest Grade from Department of Public Health**

Dorchester, MA – The Boston Home (TBH) in Dorchester, Mass., was recently designated as a “Center for the Promotion of Excellence in Long-term Care” by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society (NMSS). TBH—a specialized care residence for adults with advanced Multiple Sclerosis and other progressive neurological diseases—received this distinction after NMSS evaluated the Home in many areas, including expertise in advanced Multiple Sclerosis care, innovative programming, staffing, training, and advocacy.

“We are delighted to honor The Boston Home as an exemplary service provider,” said Dorothy E. Northrop, MSW, ACSW, Associate Vice President of Clinical Programs at NMSS. “We commend TBH for all it does to better the lives of people with advanced MS.”

NMSS recognized TBH for its commitment to quality, as evidenced through evaluations conducted by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH). TBH was recently rated “deficiency free” in a comprehensive review of clinical standards. TBH earned top grades for its quality of care and compliance with all life safety code requirements and was praised by DPH officials for its dedication, teamwork, camaraderie among staff members, and for the way staff relates to the residents.

“At The Boston Home, our staff works to maintain our standards of excellence every day, but it’s a great affirmation when we are recognized for our efforts,” said Marva Serotkin, President and CEO of TBH.

*Founded in 1881, The Boston Home in Dorchester, Mass., is a not-for-profit, specialized care residence for adults with advanced Multiple Sclerosis and other progressive neurological diseases. The Boston Home is recognized as “the standard for care of adults with MS” by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. It is the only facility of its kind in New England and one of only a few in the United States. The Boston Home Institute advances standards for care through research and education. The Boston Home Outpatient Services provide therapeutic and social programs for outpatients. For more information, visit [www.thebostonhome.org](http://www.thebostonhome.org).*

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