

# Fiscal Year 2007/2008 Budget Highlights and Goals

## VALLEY HI NURSING HOME

### **FY2007 Highlights**

- Successfully moved into the new facility on January 7, 2007. Since the move, we have overcome many mechanical obstacles, as well as other challenges that accompany a move of this magnitude.
- After many hurdles regarding the delay of the move into the new facility and the declining condition of the old building, we were able to file the necessary paperwork and Plan of Correction to the Illinois Department of Healthcare & Family Services. All threatening fines and prohibitions were rescinded.
- Kerry Kmeyer was named as the new Rehab Coordinator in the spring. She has brought a new energy and enthusiasm to her field. In addition, the Rehab Department is working closely with Activities in order to implement therapy into other aspects of the resident's day. (e.g. "Walk Across America") There is also a therapy dog coming in once a week which has proven to be both physically and mentally beneficial to the residents.
- We were very successful in collecting a significant number of past due balances.
- We are currently within one to two beds of having a full census.

### **FY2008 Goals**

- We will be welcoming a new management team to assist us in keeping our expenses under control, as well as exploring options to increase our revenue.
- Some of our nursing staff will expand their work week from four days per week to five days per week. Hopefully this will aid us in reducing our reliance on agency staffing.
- We are looking to increase Medicare Part A revenue by going whole house certified, and Medicare Part B by capitalizing on opportunities where therapy intervention would also improve the resident's quality of life.
- Increase our Medicaid rate through education on how scoring activities affect the IGT (Intergovernmental Transfer) reimbursement. A system to track this performance needs to be developed, and may involve the purchase and implementation of new software such as Care Watch.
- We will strive to maintain the excellent quality of care that residents and family members have grown accustomed to over the years.