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### **NJBIZ Honors New Jersey's Healthcare Heroes**

Ruth Funderburk-Stanley, Concierge for Parker at Stonegate assisted living residence in Highland Park, has been named a finalist in the Education Heroes category in the 2015 NJBIZ Healthcare Heroes awards program. The award program produced by NJBIZ, New Jersey's premier business news publication, was sponsored by Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of NJ, Hackensack University Medical Center, CareOne Management, LLC, Comcast Business, Brach Eichler, LLC, New Jersey Hospital Association, and New Jersey Innovation Institute.

The Healthcare Heroes finalists were recognized and the winner in each category was announced during an awards breakfast and ceremony on Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at The Palace at Somerset Park in Somerset, New Jersey. The honorees were also highlighted in a special supplement to NJBIZ.

The Palace at Somerset Park hosted over 400 guests, where everyone came together to celebrate these courageous and noble healthcare specialists and organizations. The event began promptly at 8 AM with networking and breakfast and was followed by the awards presentation. The presenting and major sponsors, Kevin Conlin, Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of NJ, Jose Lozano, Hackensack University Medical Center, Tim Hodges, CareOne Management, LLC, Rich Scheid, Comcast Business, and John Fanburg, Esq., Brach Eichler, LLC, presented the awards on stage to each honoree.

The finalists and winners were chosen by an independent panel of judges including: Wardell Sanders, New Jersey Association of Health Plans, Dr. Chadwin Sandifer, Fairleigh Dickinson University | School of Pharmacy and Judy Schmidt, New Jersey State Nurses Association. The three judges evaluated the nominations using a scoring system based on heroic actions or programs, impact of nominee's heroic actions and accomplishments within healthcare.

For more information about the NJBIZ Healthcare Heroes awards program, please visit [www.njbiz.com/events](http://www.njbiz.com/events) or contact Erika Plateroti at [erikap@njbiz.com](mailto:erikap@njbiz.com) or (732) 246-5713.

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