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**AHE Presents 2022 Environmental Services Department of the Year Award**

**CHICAGO, August 31, 2022** - The Association for the Health Care Environment (AHE), of the American Hospital Association, together with Tork®, an Essity brand, announce the recipients of the 2022 Environmental Services (EVS) Department of the Year Award.

The Environmental Services Department of the Year Award provides national recognition for the significant contributions made by an environmental services department to the overall patient experience and for achieving a health care organization's mission. It highlights the outstanding achievements of a cutting-edge environmental services team in maintaining high levels of performance in cleaning, disinfecting, environmental infection prevention, environmental sustainability and stewardship, technology use, patient experience and EVS team education and training.

Based on facility bed size, this year's recipients of the EVS Department of the Year Award are:

- 1-249 Beds: Texas Health Frisco, Frisco, TX
- 250-499 Beds: Mayo Clinic Health System, NWWI, Eau Claire, WI
- 500+ Beds: Orlando Regional Medical Center, Orlando, FL

Award recipients will be recognized in the October issue of Health Facilities Management magazine

The 2022 Certificates of Merit recipients are:

- 0-249 Beds: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, TN
- 250-499 beds: CaroMont Regional Medical Center, Gastonia, NC
- 500+ beds: Parkview Health, Fort Wayne, IN

On behalf of all the EVS profession, AHE would like to thank Essity and the Tork brand for their generosity in sponsoring the EVS Department of the Year Award for six consecutive years and for their commitment to excellence in EVS operations.

**About AHE**

The Association for the Health Care Environment (AHE) is a Professional Membership Group of

the American Hospital Association. AHE is the organization of choice for professionals responsible for establishing and maintaining health care environments that are free of surface contamination and that support safety, service, and efficient and effective operations. [www.ahe.org](http://www.ahe.org)

#### **About Tork®**

The Tork brand offers professional hygiene products and services to customers worldwide ranging from restaurants and healthcare facilities to offices, schools and industries. Our products include dispensers, paper towels, toilet tissue, soap, napkins, wipers, but also software solutions for data-driven cleaning. Through expertise in hygiene, functional design and sustainability, Tork has become a market leader that supports customers to think ahead so they're always ready for business. Tork is a global brand of Essity, and a committed partner to customers in over 110 countries. To keep up with the latest Tork news and innovations, please visit: [torkusa.com](http://torkusa.com).

#### **About Essity**

Essity is a leading global hygiene and health company. We are dedicated to improving well-being through our products and services. Sales are conducted in approximately 150 countries under the leading global brands TENA and Tork, and other strong brands, such as JOBST, Leukoplast, Libero, Libresse, Lotus, Nosotras, Saba, Tempo, Vinda and Zewa. Essity has about 46,000 employees. Net sales in 2021 amounted to approximately \$13 billion. The company's headquarters is located in Stockholm, Sweden, and Essity is listed on Nasdaq Stockholm. Essity breaks barriers to well-being and contributes to a healthy, sustainable and circular society. More information at [essity.com](http://essity.com).