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**AHE Presents 2023 Environmental Services Department of the Year Award**

**CHICAGO, August 1, 2023** - The Association for the Health Care Environment (AHE), of the American Hospital Association, together with Tork®, an Essity brand, announce the recipients of the 2023 Environmental Services (EVS) Department of the Year Awards.

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, the 2023 recipients of the EVS Department of the Year Award are:

- 1-249 Beds: Speare Memorial Hospital, Plymouth, NH
- 250-499 Beds: Children's Health Dallas Campus, Dallas, TX
- 500+ Beds: Geisinger Medical Center, Danville, PA

The 2023 Certificates of Merit recipients are:

- 0-249 Beds: Geisinger Bloomsburg Hospital, Bloomsburg, PA
- 250-499 beds: Children's Mercy Kansas City, Kansas City, MO
- 500+ beds: Froedtert Hospital, Milwaukee, WI

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 seven 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](https://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](https://essity.com).