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**EXTENDICARE- CEDAR SPRINGS RECEIVES AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERIOR DESIGNERS AWARD
*Extendicare Staff and Building Services, Inc. Designers receive Bronze Award.***

MILWAUKEE, WI – May 12, 2009 – Extendicare Health Services, Inc. announced today, the company, along with Building Service, Inc., received a Bronze Level Design Award for exemplary design of their newly remodeled Cedar Springs Health and Rehabilitation center. The award was received at the February 2009 American Society of Interior Designers (ASID) - Wisconsin Chapter, 2008 Design Awards.

The ASID Wisconsin Chapter Design Awards recognize outstanding work, honor creative and strategic excellence and encourage a higher level of performance among interior designers in our community. Extendicare, along with Building Service, Inc., received an award for exceptional work on the renovation of Cedar Springs, an upscale skilled nursing center. The renovation included a dramatic entrance, the transformation of a large nurse station hub and the creation of multi-functional areas within the dining room and lounges. Extendicare wanted a home that was warm and inviting, encouraged interaction among residents and stood out in the community. The center needed to be functional for the nurses and staff, but most importantly, serve the physical, social and intellectual needs of the residents.

“Due to the outstanding efforts of our Facilities Management Staff and the designers at Building Service, Inc., our residents, staff and visitors will be able to enjoy an environment that is not only warm and welcoming, but can meet their needs and expectations for function and design. The result achieved deserves this recognition,” said Tim Lukenda, President and CEO, Extendicare Health Services, Inc.

About Extendicare

Extendicare Health Services Inc, located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, prides itself on helping people live better by providing quality, cost-effective health care and rehabilitation primarily to seniors in a resident-directed environment. We endeavor to do this by providing remarkable services through highly engaged and motivated members of our team. Founded in 1968, Extendicare has a long history of providing quality health care services to residents throughout the United States and Canada.

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