

Congratulations, to the Steering Committee of the Connecticut Culture Change Coalition, was awarded the long term Care Ombudsman's Carol Rosenwald "Spirit of Advocacy" Award, on behalf of the Connecticut Culture Change Coalition (CTCCC) Steering Committee.

The Carol Rosenwald "Spirit of Advocacy" award is given annually to individuals and organizations that work to improve the quality of care and quality of life for individuals residing in long term care settings. The work of the Connecticut Culture Change Coalition and its steering committee is a fine example of how numerous stakeholders are working together to forward the vision and practice of person-directed care in Connecticut's long term care settings. "Transforming the culture of nursing homes is not a simple or quick endeavor. The steering committee and the members of the Culture Change Coalition are truly "pioneers" in Connecticut. Your dedication and perseverance to this meaningful work is laying the foundation for a better tomorrow for Connecticut's long term care residents," Nancy Shaffer, MA, State Long Term Care Ombudsman. The award ceremony took place at the annual voice forum at the Aqua Turf on Oct. 11. The voice forum is sponsored by the State Long Term Care Ombudsman Program and provides Connecticut nursing home res-idents with the opportunity to express their concerns to public officials interested in their welfare.



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