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## Erickson Living News

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### Highland Springs Hires Texolla West as Director of Nursing

8/3/2012

DALLAS, TX—Highland Springs, the Erickson Living retirement community, announced the hiring of Texolla West, RN as its first Director of Nursing.

Ms. West brings nearly twenty years of health care experience, ranging from acute care to geriatrics, to Highland Springs. She currently serves as the Vice President of the Texas Chapter of the National Association of Directors of Nursing Administration (NADONA).

In her role as Director of Nursing, Ms. West will be committed to providing resident-centered health care by fostering a culture of high-quality service excellence, respect and caring and creating an exceptional resident and family experience.

“Through the construction of our continuing care neighborhood, we will fulfill the care mission to our residents,” stated Chris Emmett, Executive Director of Highland Springs. “Bringing on accomplished professionals such as Texolla to be our Director of Nursing is a tremendous coup. She is a tireless advocate for resident-centered care, and her leadership will establish a culture of compassion in our continuing care neighborhood.”

Ms. West is a Certified Director of Nursing Administrator (CDONA) and a Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP) through the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners.

In 2010, Ms. West received the Nursing Director of the Year Award for the Southwest Region of NADONA and was nominated for Director of Nurses of the Year through the Texas Health Care Association.

Ms. West is also a member of LeadingAge Texas through Highland Springs and volunteers with Susan G. Komen for the Cure ® and the Alzheimer's Association. She also serves as the Institute Educational Facilitator for the Children's Ministry at Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship.

A resident of Grand Prairie, she holds degrees in Nursing and Business Administration.

Currently under construction, the continuing care neighborhood at Highland Springs will be comprised of ninety-six (96) units providing assisted living, memory care, post-acute rehabilitation and long-term nursing care services to residents. Opening is currently slated for December, 2012.

The North Dallas retirement community has 440 independent living apartment homes in a variety of floor plans and pricing options.

About Highland Springs: Highland Springs, managed and developed by Erickson Living, is a retirement community that provides worry-free living for America's seniors-the country's fastest growing population segment. Erickson Living's financial value and predictable monthly service fees provide residents across the country financial peace of mind. Comprehensive health and wellness services, integrated into our continuum of care, lead to demonstrated resident benefits. A robust complement of resident programs and facilities promote an engaged, fulfilling lifestyle that is reflected in resident satisfaction levels that exceed the industry average. For more information, please visit [www.ericksonliving.com](http://www.ericksonliving.com).

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