

## **Thomas named a director at New Pond Village**

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WALPOLE – Tasha Thomas of Millis was recently appointed Harbor Care director at Walpole's New Pond Village, owned and operated by Benchmark Senior Living.

According to a press release, Thomas will oversee the soon to be completed Harbor Care Memory Center, offering an additional step in the continuum of care at New Pond Village. Thomas joins the team with nearly a decade of managerial experience in memory care support and health care.

Prior to arriving at New Pond Village, Thomas ran two memory care units at an assisted living community in Vermont. She has also worked for a home care agency providing oversight to caregivers, educational support in memory care to families and on-the-job training opportunities to grow a supportive culture.

"I am excited to lead a new chapter at New Pond Village," Thomas said. "My goal is to create a community of support led by a dedicated, expert staff and an environment that exceeds the expectations of our residents and families."

Thomas has a bachelor's degree in nursing from St. Joseph's College of Maine and is certified through the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners.

Construction of the Harbor Care Memory Center is part of an \$8-million investment project allowing New Pond Village to expand its independent and assisted living services and begin offering memory care. Using the latest research in cognitive impairment, the center offers apartment living with comfortable open spaces where residents can enjoy the company of others in a dignified, secure setting, according to a press release.

"We are excited to welcome Tasha Thomas to New Pond Village," said Campus Executive Director Susan Cwieka. "Her leadership and passion for serving the memory care community supports our commitment to offering the best care to our residents."