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**Element Care Physician Dr. Kent Bakaev Appointed Lecturer in Medicine
at Harvard Medical School**

LYNN, Mass. – February 9, 2016 – Element Care, a non-profit senior care organization, announced that Innokentiy (Kent) Bakaev, MD, a physician at the organization’s Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), has been appointed Lecturer in Medicine at Harvard Medical School’s (HMS) Geriatric Medicine Fellowship program. PACE is one of the seven required core rotations for Harvard fellows and those HMS students who select a PACE rotation at Element Care will now be training for three weeks with Dr. Bakaev and for three weeks with Elisabeth Broderick, MD, medical director at Element Care.

“We are thrilled that Dr. Bakaev has been appointed lecturer at HMS which deepens Element Care’s affiliation with one of the most prestigious and clinically excellent fellowship programs in the country,” said Dr. Broderick. “This appointment will help us demonstrate the value of PACE to more HMS students, and it will enable Dr. Bakaev and I to incorporate HMS’ best clinical practices, innovations and advances in the field of geriatrics into Element Care’s eight PACE centers on the North Shore and Merrimack Valley.”

Dr. Bakaev, a graduate of Harvard Geriatric Medicine Fellowship who is board certified in Geriatric Medicine and Family Medicine, practices at Element Care’s PACE center in Methuen, Massachusetts. He serves as the clinical leader of an interdisciplinary team of skilled clinicians and professionals who provide highly coordinated care for adults age 55 and older to enable them to live longer, healthier lives and remain in their homes for as long as they can, keeping their stays in hospitals and nurses facilities as minimal as possible.

“I’m very excited about working with HMS trainees and showing them the value of delivering truly personalized, coordinated care for seniors via the PACE model that treats the whole person, not only the medical aspect,” said Dr. Bakaev. “This is a real win-win situation as PACE at Element Care will also benefit greatly from its enhanced access to HMS clinical research and medical advances to keep us on the forefront of Geriatric medicine.”

“As Massachusetts and states across the country face the challenges of caring for nursing home eligible individuals, including those who are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid, PACE programs have been addressing this need through an innovative team-based, coordinated care model that improves and extends participants’ lives while lowering costs,” said Dr. Broderick. “This exchange of best clinical practices in geriatrics with HMS will enable us to ensure that our PACE continues to be an industry leader in delivering the highest quality, coordinated care for people age 55 and older.”

About Element Care

Element Care, founded in 1995, is a non-profit senior health organization with a simple mission: to help people live safely and comfortably in their homes and their communities for as long as they can, keeping their stays in hospitals and nursing facilities as minimal as possible. Element Care provides complete health care to eligible people through PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) throughout the Massachusetts North Shore, the Merrimack Valley and the northeast region of Middlesex County. For more information, visit www.elementcare.org.

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