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Element Care's Randi Leeman Wins Prestigious Marie-Louise Ansak Award at 2017 National PACE Association Conference

Lynn, Mass. – **October 26**, **2017** – Randi Leeman, Element Care's Director of Social Services was honored with the prestigious Marie-Louise Ansak Award at the 2017 National PACE Association Conference in Boston. Named after the founder of the Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), this award recognizes the ingenuity, hard work and sacrifice of a PACE or pre-PACE employee who has worked to improve the quality of life for one or more frail older adults.

"When Randi sees those who are alone or in crisis, she's always there and willing to take on what may seem like a nearly impossible challenge," said Elisabeth Broderick M.D., Medical Director at Element Care. "She is one of those rare individuals who has the strength of character and compassion to inspire all those who work with her day in and day out."

In her over 16 years with PACE, Ms. Leeman has worked as a Clinical Social Worker, PACE Center Manager, and now is the Director of Social Services at Element Care. In July of 2015, Ms. Leeman was promoted to Center Manager and assisted in the successful opening of Element Care's state-of-the-art, multi-level PACE Adult Day Health Center in Lowell, Massachusetts. She has been described by colleagues as someone who rolls up her sleeves, dives right into the clinical trenches, and who continually provides expert advice and high quality care to the most vulnerable populations.

"I am truly honored to receive the Marie-Louise Ansak award and grateful for this recognition at the NPA Conference in Boston," said Randi Leeman, Director of Social Services at Element Care. "It's been a wonderful and rewarding experience to be part of the mission-driven PACE interdisciplinary team of health and social service professionals who care for our participants as if they are family and work diligently to deliver coordinated care that makes a real difference in the lives of the older adults whom we serve," added Leeman.

"We are very proud of Randi and the leadership that she provides at Element Care. The organization is fortunate to have such a mission-driven, dedicated employee leading our social services department," said Broderick.

For more information about Element Care, please call 877-803-5564 or visit www.elementcare.org.

About Element Care

Element Care, founded in 1995, is a non-profit, healthcare 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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