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State Health Division Announces Initiatives to Improve Quality of Care

Carson City – The Nevada State Health Division, as part of its continuing commitment to reduce healthcare-associated infections in medical facilities, announces the award of funding to three Nevada facilities; Silver Ridge Healthcare Center, a skilled nursing facility in Las Vegas was awarded \$30,000, the University Medical Center of Southern Nevada was awarded \$29,998 and Desert Springs Hospital, also in Las Vegas was awarded \$29,866. The awarded funds will be used to implement new strategies within their facilities, ensuring a safe medical environment for all Nevadans requiring medical care.

These facilities applied for a statewide competitive funding opportunity to improve their infection prevention and control programs by outlining areas for improvement, developing a plan to address these areas, setting objective goals to be met and identifying methods for evaluating their efforts. All three facilities were awarded funding to help achieve their goals to reduce healthcare associated infections and to improve upon their current efforts in achieving excellence in this area.

The Health Division congratulates these facilities on their successful efforts in securing the awards and looks forward to assessing the outcome of their efforts to combat healthcare-associated infections.

For more information about the Nevada State Health Division, go to: <http://health.nv.gov>.

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