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## **Frederick Employers Recognized at Wellness at Work Awards Event**

**FREDERICK, MD** -- Fifteen Frederick employers were recognized at this year's Wellness at Work Awards event held on Thursday, June 29, 2017 at Ceresville Mansion. The Wellness at Work Awards is a program of the State of Maryland for employers committed to improving employee health and well-being.

All applicants for the Wellness at Work Awards completed the CDC Worksite Health Scorecard as well as a comprehensive application built around the CDC's Workplace Health Model. The Workplace Health model features a strategic approach based on assessment, planning and management, implementation and evaluation. Award categories included: On the Path, Bronze, Silver, and Gold. Higher award levels required employers to meet additional criteria, such as collecting multiple sources of health assessment data, completion of a long term strategic plan, and demonstration that plan outcomes are tracked and evaluated. A full listing of awardees is available [here](#).

Award recipients received a plaque from the State of Maryland and a Certificate of Recognition from County Executive Jan Gardner. Executive Gardner expressed her appreciation to the award recipients for all they do to promote wellness at work and noted how a healthy workforce is integral to maintaining a thriving community.

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The Wellness at Work Awards recognition event for Frederick employers is a partnership of the [Frederick Regional Health System](#), the [Frederick County Chamber of Commerce](#) Worksite Wellness Committee, and [Healthiest Maryland Businesses](#). Photography for the event was provided by Kim Kruger of Winsome Spirit Imagery.

For more information about the Wellness at Work Awards program or Healthiest Maryland Businesses, please contact [Angela Blair](#), HMB Regional Coordinator, Frederick County Health Department. For more information about the Frederick Chamber Worksite Wellness Committee, contact [Catherine Mock](#), Business Development Strategist, CorpOHS.

#### **Award Recipients by Worksite Size**

##### **Large (over 750 employees)**

Frederick County Public Schools—GOLD

Frederick Regional Health System—GOLD

Leidos Biomedical Research—ON THE PATH

Plamondon Companies—BRONZE

##### **Medium (250-749 employees)**

Aircraft Owners & Pilots Association (AOPA)—GOLD

AstraZeneca—GOLD

First United Bank & Trust—GOLD

Frederick County Health Department—SILVER

Legal & General America—GOLD

##### **Small (100-249 employees)**

Battelle National Biodefense Institute—BRONZE

Country Meadows Retirement Communities—BRONZE

Frederick County Department of Social Services—BRONZE

##### **Very Small (less than 100 employees)**

A2LA—BRONZE

iHire, LLC—GOLD

MeetingPlay—ON THE PATH