



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Susan Serino

Serino Honored By Leading Senior Advocacy Group

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RHINEBECK, NY – On Tuesday, October 30, 2018 Senator Sue Serino was presented the Partners in Quality Award from LeadingAge New York, an organization representing not-for-profit, mission-driven, and public continuing care providers. This award is given to public servants who are making a difference in and protecting the lives of seniors through their advocacy efforts. Senator Serino was nominated by The Baptist Home at Brookemeade, a not-for-profit nursing home located in Rhinebeck, NY.

*“Our State Senator is here at every opportunity to celebrate with us, to advocate for us and to listen to our needs,” said **Karen Zobel, Brookemeade CEO/Administrator**. “If she is not here on site, she is leading events and seminars for seniors including The Golden Gathering and senior scam prevention seminars and introducing laws to protect our vulnerable New Yorkers. As a top provider for long term care, Sue appreciates and respects our input, hears what we say and actually values our professional opinions. Our relationship with Sue is invaluable. We may forget the role she plays in government because she is so easy to talk to you, humble and compassionate.”*

LeadingAge New York said, *“The Partners in Quality Award is our way of saying ‘thank you’ to public officials who work hard every day to ensure that our members can do what they do best, which is provide the highest quality care to frail elderly and disabled populations. Presenting lawmakers with this award lets all elected officials know that their constituents are paying attention to the decisions that are being made in the long term care field across the state. And it thanks them for making decisions that help us do our important work in the best possible way.”*

*“I am incredibly honored to have received the Partners in Quality Award from LeadingAge New York, and I am so grateful to the Baptist Home at Brookemeade for the nomination,” said **Senator Sue Serino, Chair of the NYS Senate Aging Committee**. “Our seniors are the backbone of our community, and I am honored to serve as their voice in Albany. I cannot thank the team at the Baptist Home, and LeadingAge, enough for their commitment to providing high quality services for seniors here in our community. The work they do is invaluable and I thank them for sharing my commitment to making our community, and state, an even better place for New Yorkers to age.”*

Serino has served as the Senate’s Aging chair since 2015 and has made combatting elder abuse, and improving quality of care for seniors some of her highest priorities.

For more information on the New York State Aging Committee, please click [here](#). For more information about LeadingAge New York, please click [here](#).