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**Lisa French Named Employee of the Month at Day Kimball Healthcare**

PUTNAM, CONN. – Lisa French, sleep coordinator, has been named employee of the month for December at Day Kimball Healthcare (DKH).

“Lisa is a competent, conscientious, flexible and well-organized manager,” said Elizabeth Favreau, MSN, director of critical care Services at DKH. “She manages the department in an economical manner and is well-respected by her staff. She has the customers as her first priority and works to accommodate their busy lives for sleep studies. Lisa always goes above and beyond the call of duty.”

French joined DKH in 1992 in the respiratory department and began working second and third shifts in the sleep center in 1999 when the department was started. In her position as sleep coordinator, she is responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of the sleep center and performing sleep studies. French’s other duties include managing staffing, statistics and policies, and educating the community about sleep.

“I am extremely honored to be recognized by my DKH family,” said French when asked how she felt about being named employee of the month. “It’s humbling to work with such an amazing group of people who make my job easy; they are my inspiration.”

Co-worker administrative assistant Karin McAllister noted, “Patient care is always Lisa’s top priority. Patients come in, not sure if they can handle using sleep therapy equipment and are scared and nervous. She has a way of connecting with them to help them understand why they need to use the equipment and how using it will help them feel better.”

French is a certified respiratory therapist, a registered polysomnographic technologist, and a registered sleep technologist. A three-time cancer survivor, she was honored with the American Cancer Society’s 2013 “Sandra L. Labaree New England Volunteer Values Award.” French is a life-long resident of Northeast Connecticut and currently resides in Pomfret, CT, with her husband Dwight and daughter Kaitlyn.

Day Kimball Healthcare is a non-profit, integrated medical services provider comprised of Day Kimball Hospital, healthcare centers in Danielson, Dayville, Plainfield and Putnam, Day Kimball HomeCare, Hospice & Palliative Care of Northeastern CT, Day Kimball HomeMakers, and Day Kimball Medical Group. Its service area includes Northeast Connecticut as well as nearby Massachusetts and Rhode Island communities. Day Kimball Healthcare’s comprehensive network offers more than 1,400 employees including nearly 300 associated, highly-skilled physicians, surgeons and specialists. Its website is [daykimball.org](http://daykimball.org).