

**135C.20B Governor's award — quality care.**

1. A governor's award for quality care is established, to be awarded annually by the governor to a health care facility in the state which demonstrates provision of the highest quality care to residents.

2. The department shall adopt rules establishing the criteria to determine quality care. In developing the criteria, the department shall consult with the members of Iowa partners for resident care and shall also consider all of the following:

- a. The report cards completed pursuant to [section 135C.20A](#).
- b. Any unique services provided by a facility to its residents to improve the quality of care in the facility.
- c. Any information submitted by residents with regard to the quality of care of the facility.
- d. Whether the facility accepts residents for whom costs of care are paid under [chapter 249A](#).

[99 Acts, ch 132, §1; 2013 Acts, ch 18, §10](#)