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AgeWell at the JCC(Senior Center) Receives Reaccreditation from the National Council of Aging

WHAT: The Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh is pleased to announce that the National Council of Aging Accreditation Board met on 12/20/2021 and unanimously approved the recommendation for reaccreditation of AgeWell at the JCC (Senior Center).

The Peer Reviewers observed many strengths of AgeWell at the JCC (Senior Center), including:

- Impressive number and variety of programs and services. Changes in response to the pandemic are to be commended.
- Access to the use of the JCC's expansive buildings and amenities to assist the Center in providing a variety of programs and services
- Long-time staff members who are passionate about and committed to their work
- Excellent use of community partners in providing innovative Center offerings
- Extensive collaborations with community aging partners in serving older adults
- Innovative programs such the Virtual Senior Academy and "CheckMates"

STATEMENT FROM THE JCC: "Securing Accreditation exemplifies the JCC's ongoing commitment to best practices in serving the older adults in our community," said Alexis Winsten Mancuso, JCC Assistant Executive Director.

STATEMENT FROM NCOA: "Successfully achieving accreditation takes the work of many people both in the senior center and in the community. When these two groups work together the rewards will be felt for many years to come. Your organization demonstrates outstanding leadership and commitment to quality programs and services."

The NCOA statement continued: "We are pleased to have AgeWell at the JCC on the list of more than 120 senior centers who meet the standards as developed by NISC."

About AgeWell at the JCC

AgeWell at the JCC offers a wide variety of on-site and virtual programs that provide opportunities for fitness and wellness, enrichment, socialization and life-sustaining support for issues related to aging to maximize health and independence for older adults. AgeWell at the JCC is part of a unique partnership of AgeWell Pittsburgh, a collaborative program of the JCC, Jewish Association on Aging and Jewish Family & Community Services, serving more than 10,000 older adult clients and their family caregivers. The goal of the collaboration is to provide seamless delivery of services to Pittsburgh's older adults, providing support to live as independently as possible.

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