



## About the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program

Created by Congress in 1987, the Baldrige Program helps organizations improve and succeed in the competitive global marketplace. It is the only public-private partnership and Presidential award program dedicated to improving U.S. organizations. In collaboration with the greater Baldrige community, the Baldrige Program offers a systems approach to organizational excellence, award-winning leadership development, self-assessment tools, organizational assessments by teams of trained experts, presentations and workshops on how to improve, and conferences and other events that showcase best management practices.

## Baldrige in Montana

### Rocky Mountain Performance Excellence

The Alliance for Performance Excellence (<http://www.baldrigepe.org/alliance/>), a network of regional, state, and local Baldrige-based programs, serves organizations from all industry sectors and nearly all U.S. states. These programs rely on the Baldrige Program for the Criteria for Performance Excellence and other resources but operate without financial support from the Baldrige Program. Montana is served by Rocky Mountain Performance Excellence (RMPEX; <http://www.rmpex.org/>). Incorporated in 2000 as a 501(c) (3) nonprofit corporation, RMPEX helps organizations improve performance and achieve results. RMPEX is funded solely by contributions and operational revenues. The approach is based on the Baldrige Excellence Framework.

### AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Winners in Montana

The [AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Program](#) provides a pathway toward performance excellence for providers of long term and post-acute care services. The program is based on the core values and criteria of the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program.

Beartooth Healthcare Community (2015, Bronze)  
Billings Health and Rehabilitation (2014, Bronze)  
Cedar Wood Healthcare Community (2015, Bronze)  
Glacier Care Center (2015, Bronze)  
Rocky Mountain Healthcare Community (2015, Bronze)  
Lake View Healthcare Community (2015, Bronze)  
Valle Vista Healthcare Community (2015, Bronze)

Eagle Cliff Healthcare Community (2014, Bronze)  
Parkview Healthcare Community (2014, Bronze)  
The Villa Assisted Living at Valle Vista (2014, Bronze)  
Village Health Care Center (2014, Bronze)  
The Village Senior Residence (2014, Bronze)  
Westpark Village (2014, Bronze)

## Baldrige in the U.S.

- **Organizations from all sectors and of all sizes use the Baldrige Excellence Framework to achieve their success and sustainability goals.**
- **U.S. organizations applying for the Baldrige Award have received 1,639 feedback reports detailing organizational strengths and opportunities for improvement.**
- **102 Baldrige Award recipients share their role-model practices with other organizations.**
- **2010–2015 applicants represent 567,434 U.S. jobs, 2,665 work sites, more than \$142 billion in revenues/budgets, and an estimated 449 million customers served.**

## Sample Achievements by Baldrige Award Winners

- Estimated **cost savings of \$225 million annually** through time reductions resulting from process and performance improvements (Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control)
- **Growth in revenue from \$41 million to \$265 million** over 10 years (PricewaterhouseCoopers Public Sector Practice)
- In **customer satisfaction, outperformed its closest competitor** in 20 of 20 performance attributes (MESA)
- Consistent **Healthgrades scores in the top 10% nationally** for patient safety, general surgery, gastrointestinal care, and joint replacement (Hill Country Memorial)
- Voted “**Best Financial Institution**” by readers of the *Boulder Daily Camera* for 15 of 16 years; more mortgage volume in its county than any of its competitors (Elevations Credit Union)
- Despite rigorous public school graduation requirements, a **97.4% graduation rate** in 2012-2013 (Pewaukee School District)
- **Revenue growth** from about \$120 million in 1997 to about \$625 million in 2009 (MEDRAD)
- For four years, composite performance **at or better than the top 10% of health care systems nationally** for each disease group in the core measures reported by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (St. David’s HealthCare)
- 90% or higher **customer satisfaction** levels (Premier Inc.)
- **Profitability during 4 years of economic downturn** while the rest of the industry saw minimal growth and modest profit (Freese and Nichols)
- Improvement in **academic composite ranking from 55th to 9th** in North Carolina (Iredell-Statesville Schools)
- Better resident **ratings of overall quality of service** than the state, county, and U.S. governments (City of Irving, Texas)
- **Patient satisfaction at or above the national 90th percentile** for the 4 years leading to its Baldrige Award (North Mississippi Health Services)