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## Amana Living is recognised by industry body for excellence in aged care

Amana Living has been presented with two industry awards in the inaugural *2009 Excellence in Aged Care Awards*, presented last week by WA's peak aged care industry body Aged and Community Services of WA (ACSWA).

The aged care provider won the Organisation Award, which recognises a not for profit aged care organisation which is excelling in improving the quality of life of older people in the state.

Amana Living was also bestowed the Media Award which highlights an organisation's commitment to raising the profile of aged care through a proactive public relations program.

CEO, Ray Glickman said Amana Living was delighted to have won two of the six industry awards, which are the first of their kind in WA.

"As an organisation, we strive for excellence in every area in which we operate and we are both proud and also very pleased to have been recognised by WA's peak aged care industry body with these two awards," Mr Glickman said.

Stephen Kobelke, CEO of ACSWA, said Amana Living was entirely deserving of both industry awards given the excellence it has consistently demonstrated in both award categories.

"Despite the quality of entries being extremely high, Amana Living's two submissions impressed the judges and we believe reflected the innovative and high quality aged care services which the organisation provides, as well as its commitment to raising the profile of aged care within the community," he said.

Amana Living was also selected as a finalist for the Trainee Award which recognises an exceptional trainee currently working within the sector.

The ACSWA 2009 Excellence in Care Awards were announced on Friday 5 June at an award evening at Burswood Entertainment Complex.

The awards recognise and celebrate the unsung heroes in the community who are working to improve the quality of life of older people, people with disabilities and their carers.

Amana Living operates 17 retirement villages, 10 hostels, five nursing homes and three day clubs throughout Western Australia. It provides specialised care for residents with dementia and their families, as well as a wide range of community services to people living in their own homes.

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**Note to editors:**

"Amana Living" should not be shortened to Amana as this is a registered name of another company.