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Avdienko and Giurgiev certified as Best Friends™ master trainers

VANCOUVER, Wash. — Michelle Avdienko, life enrichment/wellness director, and Anna Giurgiev, RN, resident care manager, of Touchmark at Fairway Village, have both earned the designation of Best Friends master trainers.

Avdienko and Giurgiev received their certifications from David Troxel, MPH, co-founder of the Best Friends Approach, which is a groundbreaking method of care for individuals living with Alzheimer's and other dementia. The approach focuses on encouraging respect, empathy, support and trust.

Both women completed a comprehensive training and requisite testing to demonstrate proficiency. They will use the research-based information to design and implement programs and train Touchmark staff in the Best Friends Approach.

A full-service retirement community, Touchmark at Fairway Village is a certified Best Friends Environment. The award-winning community offers a range of homes and lifestyle options for people 55-plus years. An on-site health and fitness club is open to anyone over 40 and features a variety of fitness options. For more information, visit Touchmark.com.

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