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**Grand Traverse Pavilions Expands Care with Reopening of Aspen Wing**

*Traverse City, MI* — Grand Traverse Pavilions, the region's trusted county-owned senior care provider, will celebrate the grand reopening of its newly remodeled Aspen wing with a ribbon-cutting and open house on September 23, 2025.

This expansion reflects the Pavilions' continued commitment to delivering high-quality, patient-centered care for seniors in Northwestern Michigan.

Aspen initially features private rooms, subject to change based on community need in 2026, and is designed for long-term needs of skilled nursing care. Beds will be available for new admissions beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>.

"The Aspen wing not only expands access to skilled nursing care but also elevates the clinical and hospitality experience for patients and their families," said Darrell Lavender, CEO of Grand Traverse Pavilions. "We're working closely with local hospitals, physicians, and community partners to ensure our care meets the highest standards of quality and outcomes." David Hautamaki, Administrator, remarked "our healthcare teams are the best in the business, and the reopening of Aspen is a testament that our community has confidence in our care to make a difference in our residents' quality of life."

**Event Details:**

- **Ribbon Cutting & Community Open House** : September 23, 2025 at 11:00 AM – By Invitation
- **Healthcare Community Tours**: September 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>
- Location: Grand Traverse Pavilions, 1000 Pavilions Circle, Traverse City, MI 49684

The remodel and reopening was made possible through the dedication of the Grand Traverse County Department of Health & Human Services Board and Grand Traverse Pavilions.

For more information, visit <https://www.gtpavilions.org/news-events/aspen-reopening/>



### ***About Grand Traverse Pavilions***

*Grand Traverse Pavilions is the region's first and only nonprofit Full-Spectrum of Care. Providing services for more than 220 residents, Grand Traverse Pavilions is a community of caring and innovation primarily for our region's low-income seniors, with Rehabilitation and Wellness programs for the entire community. Grand Traverse Pavilions has launched a "Committed to Quality: Quality of Care & Quality of Life" Campaign to support the organizations mission to care for the regions elderly. The Pavilions is a public organization owned by Grand Traverse County and governed by the Grand Traverse County Department of Health and Human Services Board, and is supported by the Grand Traverse Pavilions Foundation a community non-profit charity.*

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