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**Lilypad® Announces the 2023 Top Rural Health Clinic States**

**Portland, ME, February 5, 2023** - [Lilypad®](#), a leading healthcare analytics firm, is proud to announce the 2023 [Lilypad Awards](#), the first and only ranking program for our nation's 5,000+ rural health clinics. The Lilypad Awards recognize the states and their clinics that outperform their peers in terms of efficiency and operational excellence. The 2023 winners represent the fourth cohort of the annual Lilypad Awards.

Five states earned the 2023 Lilypad Award for their collective performance excellence. These five states stand out in terms of operational efficiency, productivity and financial performance: Arkansas, Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana and Mississippi.

Utilizing data from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid program to calculate rural-relevant metrics across five domains, the Lilypad Awards provide a comprehensive and objective assessment of rural health clinic performance.

The Lilypad Awards and Lilypad's Practice Operations National Database (POND®) programs are used nationally by rural clinics, State Offices of Rural Health, regional healthcare systems and rural hospitals to measure and monitor rural primary care practice performance.

State Offices of Rural Health receive federal grant funds to support rural primary care providers such as Rural Health Clinics. The grant programs direct resources to the front line of clinicians that seek to ensure adequate access, clinical care and affordable options in rural communities across the United States.

"With sweeping reimbursement changes built into the Consolidated Appropriations Act, rural health clinics have heightened risks and opportunities," said Gregory Wolf, founder and President of Lilypad, LLC. "The ability of clinics to use data for decision making has never been more critical."

**About Lilypad.** Lilypad is a Maine-based analytics firm founded in 2011 to provide mobile and web-based performance improvement applications for healthcare provider organizations and State Offices of Rural Health. We adhere to a core business principle that accountable leaders require sound data and simple, innovative tools to be successful in their roles within the emerging value-based care delivery environment.