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GA facility opens

Isakson Living recently announced the opening of a health center, Park Springs Health Services. It is located next to Park Springs, the company's continuing care retirement community, in Stone Mountain, GA.

The facility offers home care, respite care, assisted living, memory care, skilled nursing and outpatient therapy. It also will include a 3,100 square-foot physical therapy center.

Isakson Living also will launch the nation's first "Dementia Care Matters Butterfly Household Model of Care" in August at this location. This model emphasizes nurturing and supportive staff and emotion-based care for patients with dementia.

"Feelings really matter most in dementia care. People experiencing dementia become more feeling than thinking beings, therefore requiring heightened emotional care first — all we have is now," said David Sheard, CEO and founder of DCM and director of The Butterfly Community. "After pioneering this in four other countries it is exciting to be arriving into the U.S., launching our first Butterfly Home and developing this special relationship with Isakson Living."

At the time of opening, 75% of the homes had been sold. PSHS was funded through a \$74.4 million loan from SunTrust Bank that also was used for other Park Springs campus improvements.