Created by Congress in 1987, the Baldrige Program helps organizations improve and succeed in the global marketplace. It is the only public-private partnership and Presidential award program dedicated to improving U.S. organizations. In collaboration with the Baldrige community, the Baldrige Program offers a systems approach to organizational excellence, award-winning leadership development, self-assessment tools, organizational assessments by trained experts, workshops on how to improve, and events that showcase best management practices.

Baldrige in Maine
1 Baldrige examiner from Maine volunteered over $15,000 in services in 2016.

Northern New England Alliance for Excellence
The Alliance for Performance Excellence (www.BaldrigeAlliance.org) is a nonprofit national network of Baldrige-based organizations with a mission to grow performance excellence in support of a thriving Baldrige community. Alliance members include Baldrige-based programs that use the Baldrige Excellence Framework to serve organizations from all sectors in their region, state, or a specific industry. These programs annually evaluate and recognize over 1,000 organizations and serve as the feeder system for the national Baldrige Award.

The Northern New England Alliance for Excellence (www.nneae.com) was founded in 2012 to join the nonprofit Granite State Quality Council in serving organizations in Maine, Vermont, and New Hampshire. Its mission is to inspire and assist organizations in the achievement of performance excellence. Services include coaching and training, networking and best-practice sharing, and assessment and recognition. As part of the larger Baldrige community, the NNEAE provides access to world-class practices that can be adapted to fit the needs of any business, health care organization, school, or government agency.

Northern New England Quality Award Recipients in Maine
PeoplesChoice Credit Union (Silver)

AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Recipients in Maine
The AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Program provides a pathway toward performance excellence for providers of long-term and postacute care services. The program is based on the core values and criteria of the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program.

AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Recipients in Maine, continued

MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long-Term Care at Glenridge (Bronze, 2014)
MaineGeneral Rehabilitation & Long-Term Care at Gray Birch (Bronze, 2014)
Marshall Health Care (Silver, 2017; Bronze, 2014)
Martha Ballard Assisted Living (Bronze, 2015)
Narraguagus Bay Health Care (Bronze, 2016)
Norway Center for Health & Rehab., LLC (Bronze, 2018)
Oak Grove Center (Silver, 2013)
Pine Point Center (Silver, 2017)
Portland Center for Assisted Living (Bronze, 2017)
Ross Manor (Bronze, 2016)
Russell Park Rehabilitation & Living Center (Bronze, 2015)
Scarborough Terrace Assisted Living & Memory Care (Bronze, 2018)
Stillwater Health Care (Silver, 2015)
Sylvia Ross Home (Bronze, 2018)
Woodlawn Rehabilitation & Nursing Center (Bronze, 2017)

Baldrige in the U.S.

- U.S. organizations applying for the Baldrige Award have received 1,724 feedback reports detailing organizational strengths and opportunities for improvement.
- 115 Baldrige Award recipients share their role-model practices with other organizations.
- 2010–2018 applicants represent 641,693 U.S. jobs, 3,072 work sites, more than $166 billion in revenues/budgets, and about 451 million customers served.
- 352 national Baldrige examiners volunteered roughly $7.9 million in services in 2018.
- In 2018, 30 independently funded and managed regional, state, and sector Baldrige-based programs evaluated 1,447 organizations using 1,719 volunteer examiners.