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University Hospitals Elyria and Westlake Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine Centers Recognized for Excellence in Wound Healing

ELYRIA and WESTLAKE, OH – The University Hospitals Elyria and Westlake Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine Centers are the proud recipients of national awards from Healogics, Inc., the nation's largest provider of advanced wound care services.

The UH Elyria and Westlake Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine Centers both received the *Center of Distinction Award*. In doing so, they achieved outstanding clinical outcomes for 24 consecutive months, including patient satisfaction higher than 95 percent and wound healing rates of at least 98 percent within 28 median days to heal. Out of 512 centers eligible for the award only 221 achieved this honor. This is the fifth *Center of Distinction Award* the Elyria facility has received since it opened in July, 2008 and the first for the Westlake facility, which opened in 2013.

A second, even more prestigious honor was bestowed upon the UH Elyria and Westlake Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine Centers - the *Robert A. Warriner III, MD, Center of Excellence Award*. In addition to meeting the *Center of Distinction Award* criteria, they achieved patient satisfaction rates higher than 95 percent and a healing rate of at least 98 percent in less than 28 median days for a minimum of two consecutive years. The award is named for Dr. Robert A. Warriner III, a pioneer in wound care and the former chief medical officer for Healogics. Only 110 centers out of 512 that were eligible received the *Center of Excellence Award*.

Reflecting on the awards, Don Schiffbauer, Director of Clinical Operations for UH Elyria Medical Center, stated, “We are extremely proud of the recognition we’ve received from Healogics.” He continued, “At our wound centers and at every location we treat patients, we strive to provide an exceptional experience. We believe that every patient, every family and every moment is an opportunity to care.”

Lisa Osborne, Program Director of the Elyria and Westlake centers concurred, stating, “Our wound care teams strive to provide the very best care and outcomes for our patients. These awards validate their hard work and success.”

The UH Elyria and UH Westlake Wound Care and Hyperbaric Medicine Centers are members of the Healogics Network of nearly 800 centers. Both locations offer highly-specialized wound care to

patients suffering from diabetic ulcers, pressure ulcers, infections and other chronic wounds which have not healed in a reasonable amount of time. Advanced treatments include hyperbaric oxygen therapy, negative pressure wound therapy, bio-engineered skin substitutes, biological and biosynthetic dressings and growth factor therapies.

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About University Hospitals Elyria Medical Center

Founded in 1908, University Hospitals Elyria Medical Center is a 387-licensed bed hospital with additional campuses in Amherst (UH Amherst Health Center), Avon (UH Avon Health Center) and Sheffield (UH Sheffield Health Center), along with medical offices in Grafton, North Ridgeville and Westlake. Part of the University Hospitals health system, UH Elyria Medical Center offers patients access to UH Case Medical Center, a nationally recognized academic medical center, as well as programs from internationally recognized centers of excellence such as UH Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital and UH Seidman Cancer Center. UH Elyria Medical Center has been designated a certified primary stroke center by the Joint Commission, and recently received the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association's Get With The Guidelines® - Stroke Bronze Quality Achievement Award. For more information, visit UHElyria.org.

About Healogics, Inc.

Healogics, located in Jacksonville, Florida, is the nation's largest provider of advanced wound care services. Healogics and its affiliated companies manage nearly 800 Wound Care Centers ® in the nation and saw approximately 285,000 new patients in 2015 through a connected network of partner hospitals and Wound Care Centers, academic medical centers, and other post-acute sites. Healogics utilizes an evidence-based systematic approach to chronic wound healing to treat an underserved and growing patient population. A fund managed by Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, a private investment firm, is the majority shareholder of Healogics. For more information, please visit www.healogics.com.

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