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Memorial Hospital Recognized as 2016 “Most Wired”

Cutting edge technology used to deliver quality patient care, secure patient data

Marysville, Ohio – Memorial Hospital has been named one of the country’s “Most Wired” hospitals for 2016. The study and selections are made from the 18th annual HealthCare’s Most Wired™ survey, sponsored by the American Hospital Association’s Health Forum, and published annually by *Health & Hospitals Networks*.

Memorial is honored to be one of 24 Ohio hospitals on the list to receive this prestigious award. More than 2,146 hospitals nationwide were evaluated. *Memorial has received this award for the past three years.*

“Most Wired” status is awarded to hospitals and health systems that meet set competency criteria and utilize Health Information Technology to improve performance in a number of areas including cyber security, patient safety, patient satisfaction, operational efficiency, and data security, among others.

“The protection of our patients’ health information is our top priority,” explains Carl Zani, Chief Technology Director at Memorial. “The healthcare industry, as with other industries, is facing a rising number of data breaches and cyber security attacks. As a result, strong data security measures are incorporated throughout all of our systems.”

Some of Memorial’s recent initiatives leading to the award include: the integrated use of the electronic medical record system across the entire care continuum, a computerized physician order entry system, an electronic patient tracking system in the emergency department, electronic nursing notes, electronic cardiology system, electronic medication administration, numerous paperless systems to benefit our clinical departments, and guest wireless internet access for visitors to the hospital.

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In addition, patients have access to a Patient Portal, on which they can view information, such as laboratory results, radiology reports, a current medication and allergy list, and instructions given at discharge.

Memorial Health is an independent health system based in Marysville, Ohio, which includes Memorial Hospital's main campus and satellite outpatient locations including Memorial City Gate Medical Center; Memorial Gables – a skilled nursing facility; Memorial Medical Group – a network of more than 20 physicians and mid-level providers with office locations throughout Marysville, Plain City, and Urbana; and the Memorial Health Foundation.

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