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Memorial Hospital Nationally Recognized with Prestigious “Straight A” Recognition for Patient Safety

Achievement stems from Spring 2021 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades

Marysville, Ohio – Memorial Hospital achieved "Straight A" recognition in the Spring 2021 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, the nation's most prestigious honor for patient safety. This recognition is awarded in step with a grade of 'A' in the Spring 2021 announcement, marking six straight 'A's' in protecting patients from errors, injuries, accidents, and infections.

The Leapfrog Group is an independent national watchdog organization committed to health care quality and safety. The Safety Grade assigns an 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D' or 'F' grade to all general hospitals across the country and is updated every six months. It is the only hospital ratings program based exclusively on hospitals' prevention of medical errors and other harms to patients in their care.

“Our team takes pride when national experts recognize our focus and dedication to patient safety,” comments Chip Hubbs, CEO and President of Memorial Health. “Our clinical teams concentrate their efforts every minute of every day on the safety and protection of our patients. We have developed a culture of safety at Memorial, combining consistent quality standards and high safety protocols with over 1000 committed team members that put patient safety first. Congratulations to our team members as they celebrate six straight A's for their efforts.”

“An 'A' safety grade is an elite designation that your community should be proud of,” said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. “The past year has been extraordinarily difficult for

hospitals, but Memorial Hospital shows us it is possible to keep a laser focus on patients and their safety, no matter what it takes.”

Developed under the guidance of a national Expert Panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses up to 27 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign grades to more than 2,700 U.S. acute care hospitals twice per year. Out of the 2,700, 33% of hospitals were graded with ‘A’s’, 24% with ‘B’s’, 35% with ‘C’s’, 7% with ‘D’s’, and less than 1% with ‘F’s’. The Hospital Safety Grade’s methodology is peer-reviewed and fully transparent, and the results are free to the public.

To see Memorial Hospital’s full grade details, and to access patient tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit www.hospitalsafetygrade.org and follow The Leapfrog Group on Twitter and Facebook.

About The Leapfrog Group

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, The Leapfrog Group is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps forward in the quality and safety of American health care. The flagship Leapfrog Hospital Survey and new Leapfrog Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Survey collect and transparently report hospital and ASC performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest-value care and giving consumers the lifesaving information they need to make informed decisions. The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, Leapfrog’s other main initiative, assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents, and infections.

About Memorial Health

Memorial Health is an independent health system based in Marysville, Ohio, which consists of Memorial Hospital’s main campus and satellite outpatient locations including Memorial City Gate Medical Center; Memorial Urbana Medical Center; Memorial Hospital Outpatient Surgery Center; Memorial Gables – a skilled nursing facility; Memorial Medical Group – a network of 42 physicians and mid-level providers with office locations throughout Marysville, Plain City, Richwood, and Urbana; and the Memorial Health Foundation. To learn more, visit memorialohio.com.

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