Delray Medical Center Named One of Healthgrades America's 50 Best Hospitals

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Hospital is among the top 1 percent of U.S. hospitals for clinical outcomes 17 years in a row

Delray Beach, FL (February 12, 2019) – Delray Medical Center achieves the Healthgrades 2019 America's 50 Best Hospitals Award for the 17th straight year, since the inception of the award. The distinction places the hospital in the top 1 percent of more than 4,500 hospitals assessed nationwide for its consistent, year-over-year superior clinical performance as measured by <u>Healthgrades</u>, a leading resource for comprehensive information about physicians and hospitals.

"It is an honor to be recognized as one of America's 50 best hospitals, because it means we are doing our job in providing patients with the best experience possible," said Maggie Gill, chief executive officer at Delray Medical Center. "Our outstanding physicians, nurses and staff earned this achievement on behalf of the hospital."

From 2015 through 2017, patients treated in hospitals achieving the Healthgrades America's 50 Best Hospitals award had, on average, a 27.1 percent lower risk of dying than if they were treated in hospitals that did not receive the award, as measured across 19 rated conditions and procedures for which mortality is the outcome. And during that same period, if all hospitals performed similarly to those achieving the award, 182,721 lives could potentially have been saved.

"Healthgrades congratulates the recipients of the America's 50 Best Hospitals Award for their proven commitment to exceptional care," said Brad Bowman, Chief Medical Officer at Healthgrades. "Our analysis shows that care quality can vary significantly between hospitals, but consumers can use sources like Healthgrades to research and select the best hospital for their care."

Recipients of the Healthgrades America's 50 Best Hospitals Award are recognized for overall clinical excellence across a broad spectrum of care. During the 2019 study period (2015 through 2017), these hospitals showed superior performance in clinical outcomes for patients in the Medicare population across at least 21 of 32 most common inpatient conditions and procedures — as measured by objective performance data (risk-adjusted mortality and in-hospital complications).

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