

PRESS RELEASE

GPBCH Recognizes Record-breaking Participation in 2016 Leapfrog Hospital Survey

Dramatic Increase in Hospital Quality and Safety Reporting Since 2012

PHILADELPHIA, PA— (January 19, 2016)— A record 32 hospitals (out of 53) in southeastern Pennsylvania and Delaware participated in the 2016 Leapfrog Group Hospital Survey, where the Greater Philadelphia Business Coalition on Health (GPBCH) serves as a Leapfrog Regional Leader in partnership with the Delaware Valley Health Care Coalition (DVHCC). The number of hospitals in this region reporting to Leapfrog has dramatically increased in the last five years from three to 32. Nationwide, a record-breaking total of 1,859 out of 3,781 hospitals completed the 2016 Leapfrog Hospital Survey. Through the Leapfrog Group efforts, transparency on hospital quality and safety continues to increase in our region and across the country. This is good news for purchasers and consumers, who can make valid comparisons and use information to select a provider. Studies have shown that hospitals that publicly report their data are more likely to improve on the reported measures.

According to Neil Goldfarb, President and CEO of GPBCH, "More than two-thirds of hospitals in the Greater Philadelphia region are now participating in the national Leapfrog reporting effort. We will celebrate this milestone, among other accomplishments, at the GPBCH Fifth Anniversary Celebration on April 6th. We want to thank those hospitals for their willingness to publicly disclose their quality and safety data, and urge the 21 hospitals that have not yet reported their data to join this important national initiative to improve patient safety and quality of care. We will continue our efforts to educate employers and consumers on the importance of seeking care at facilities that are willing to publicly share their data."

GPBCH recognizes the following southeastern Pennsylvania and Delaware hospitals for their willingness to disclose their performance information in the 2016 Leapfrog Hospital Survey:

- Abington Health Lansdale Hospital and Abington Memorial Hospital
- Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children
- Aria Health Bucks County, Frankford and Torresdale Divisions
- Beebe Healthcare
- Cancer Treatment Centers of America at Eastern Regional Medical Center
- Christiana Care Health System Christiana Hospital, Wilmington Hospital
- Crozer Keystone Health System Crozer Chester Medical Center, Delaware County Memorial Hospital, Springfield Hospital, Taylor Hospital
- Doylestown Hospital
- Einstein Medical Center Montgomery
- Grand View Health

- Hahnemann University Hospital
- Jeanes Hospital
- Lower Bucks Hospital
- Mercy Health System Mercy Fitzgerald Hospital, Mercy Suburban Hospital, Nazareth Hospital,
 Mercy Philadelphia Hospital
- Nanticoke Memorial Hospital
- Pottstown Memorial Medical Center
- Roxborough Memorial Hospital
- St. Christopher's Hospital for Children
- St. Mary Medical Center
- Temple University Hospital
- Thomas Jefferson University Hospital Center City and Methodist Hospital Campuses

Under the efforts of the New Jersey Leapfrog Regional Leader, Health Care Quality Institute, the following 16 hospitals (out of 18) located in southern New Jersey participated in the 2016 Leapfrog Hospital Survey:

- Cape Regional Medical Center
- Cooper University Health Care
- Deborah Heart and Lung Center
- Inspira Medical Center Elmer, Vineland, and Woodbury Campuses
- Kennedy University Hospital Cherry Hill, Stratford, and Washington Township
- Memorial Hospital of Salem County
- Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center, and Lourdes Medical Center of Burlington
- Shore Medical Center
- Virtua Hospital Virtua Memorial Hospital, and Marlton and Voorhees Campuses

About Greater Philadelphia Business Coalition on Health

The <u>Greater Philadelphia Business Coalition on Health</u> (GPBCH) is an employer-led non-profit membership organization focused on working with health plans, health care providers, and other system stakeholders to improve the value of health benefit spending for its members, by improving healthcare quality and safety and reducing health care costs. The Coalition is committed to maintaining and improving the health and productivity of the region's workforce, and to ensuring that when health care is needed it is accessible, affordable, high-quality, and safe. The Coalition's service area includes southeastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and the state of Delaware. GPBCH currently represents over 750,000 lives in the region and 1.4 million lives nationally, and is a member of the National Alliance of Healthcare Purchaser Coalitions that represents over 50 healthcare business coalitions in the United States.

About Delaware Valley Health Care Coalition

The <u>Delaware Valley Health Care Coalition, Inc.</u> (DVHCC) is a non-profit, voluntary association comprised of Taft Hartley funds, municipalities, governmental entities, schools and school districts. The DVHCC mission is to control and reduce health care costs for its members through deep discount mass

purchasing. The DVHCC strives to ensure the availability of innovative, quality health care, insurance and financial products tailored to meet the needs of its membership while respecting each plan's total autonomy.

About Leapfrog Group

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, the <u>Leapfrog Group</u> 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 collects and transparently reports hospital performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest-value care and giving consumers the lifesaving information they need to make informed decisions. 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.

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