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LWMC Ranks In Top One Percent for Patient Care and Efficiency

Lake Wales, FL – Lake Wales Medical Center has been honored by the Premier healthcare alliance with the 2007 Premier | CareScience Select Practice National Quality Award for superior patient outcomes in both quality and efficiency.

Lake Wales Medical Center is one of 49 hospitals nationally – the top one percent of acute inpatient facilities – recognized with the Select Practice Award. Among the more than 4,700 acute care inpatient facilities in the United States eligible to receive the award, Lake Wales Medical Center exhibited the highest level performance in both quality and efficiency of patient care.

“We are pleased to recognize these hospitals that offer the highest quality and most efficient patient care,” said Richard A Bankowitz, MD, MBA, FACP, vice president and medical director for Premier Healthcare Informatics. “These hospitals represent the country’s elite healthcare facilities for patient care based on performance, using objective measures of clinical outcomes and efficiencies.”

Lake Wales Medical Center did not apply for the award, but instead was identified as a top performer in quality and efficiency among all acute care facilities, regardless of bed size or teaching status.

“This honor reflects the quality care that our associates and physicians provide daily to our patients,” said Michael Yungmann, CEO of Lake Wales Medical Center. “We commend them for their dedication to making certain that our patients receive excellent, compassionate care. Our customer service excellence is what differentiates us from other facilities, and we’re always striving to provide outstanding customer service. This award affirms that we are achieving that, and that our patients are benefiting from it.”

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