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WHITTIER HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER earns an 'A' Hospital Safety Grade from The Leapfrog Group – Fall 2024

New Grade for fall 2024 is a national recognition for commitment to patient safety

Whittier, California, NOVEMBER 15, 2024 – Whittier Hospital Medical Center earned an "A" <u>Hospital Safety Grade</u> from The Leapfrog Group, an independent national nonprofit watchdog focused on patient safety. Leapfrog assigns an "A," "B," "C," "D" or "F" grade to general hospitals across the country based on over 30 performance measures reflecting errors, accidents, injuries and infections, as well as the systems hospitals have in place to prevent them.

"We are pleased to receive a Grade "A" from The Leapfrog Group," said Mary Anne Monje, Chief Executive Officer. "Ensuring the safety of our patients remains our highest priority, and this recognition reflects our unwavering commitment to delivering the highest quality care. It underscores that our hospital is a trusted and safer choice for our patients and their loved ones."

"Achieving an 'A' Hospital Safety Grade is a significant accomplishment for Whittier Hospital Medical Center, said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "It reflects enormous dedication to your patients and their families, and your whole community should be proud. I extend my congratulations to Whittier Hospital Medical Center, its leadership, clinicians, staff and volunteers for their tireless efforts to put patients first."

The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade stands as the only hospital ratings program focused solely on preventable medical errors, infections and injuries that kill more than 500 patients a day in the United States. This program is peer-reviewed, fully transparent and free to the public. Grades are updated twice annually, in the fall and spring.

To explore Whittier Hospital Medical Center's full grade details and to find valuable tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit <u>HospitalSafetyGrade.org</u>.

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ABOUT OUR HOSPITAL

Whittier Hospital Medical Center, owned and operated by AHMC Healthcare Inc., is accredited by The Joint Commission. Whittier Hospital medical staff consists of approximately 500 physicians representing over 40 specialties. It has been providing health care to residents of the southeast San Gabriel Valley for more than 65 years. A culturally sensitive hospital, the 178-bed facility provides a range of services. For more information visit whittierhospital.com

About The Leapfrog Group

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, <u>The Leapfrog Group</u> is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps for patient safety. The <u>Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade</u>, 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. For more, <u>follow them on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram and sign up for their newsletter</u>.