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Cape Girardeau, Missouri - On Tuesday, U.S. News & World Report named Saint Francis Medical Center a “High Performing Hospital” for both hip replacement and knee replacement, the only hospital in the region recognized with this designation. To earn this prestigious honor, Saint Francis’ Center for Joint Replacement & Revision performed significantly higher than the national average in three key areas for both joint replacement procedures.

### High Performing Hospital Methodology

Hospital rankings were based on demonstrated success in three healthcare-related areas:

Outcomes: measureable results of a program’s patient care and quality-of-life improvement

Process: how well a hospital goes about its day-to-day care delivery through best practices

Structure: resources such as number of nurses, specialties, accreditations and certifications

“Our Center for Joint Replacement & Revision goes above and beyond for its patients,” says Steven C. Bjelich, FACHE-D, President and Chief Executive Officer of Saint Francis Healthcare System. “To receive recognition like this is a testament to the talents of our orthopedic surgeons, state-of-the-art facilities, knowledgeable staff and program best practices.”

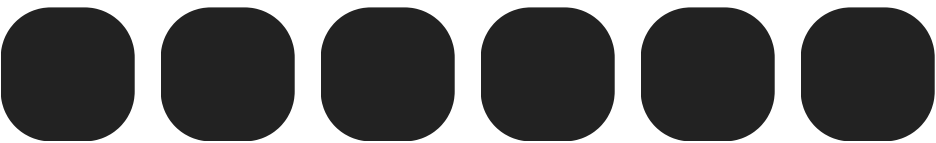
To learn more about this Orthopedic Institute honor, call 573-331-3996 or visit sfmc.net.

Saint Francis Medical Center is a 308-bed facility serving more than 713,000 people throughout Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee and Arkansas. Guided by its mission to provide a ministry of healing and wellness inspired by its Christian philosophy and values, the Medical Center has become a progressive, innovative regional tertiary care referral center. Saint Francis’ major service lines, which have received national recognition, include the Neurosciences Institute; Orthopedic Institute; Family BirthPlace, featuring the region’s first Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit; Heart Hospital; Emergency and Level III Trauma Center; Cancer Institute; and Fitness Plus.

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