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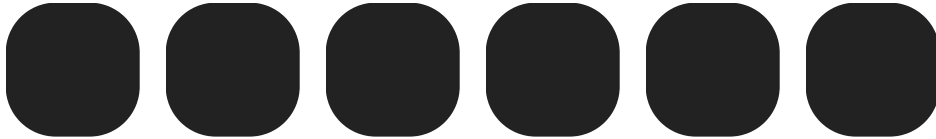
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Southeast Hospital, flagship of the SoutheastHEALTH system of care, has earned The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval and the American Heart Association's Heart-Check mark for recertification as a Comprehensive Cardiac Center (CCC).

The recertification recognizes Southeast's heart program for its comprehensive approach to care and commitment to excellence. To achieve this status, Southeast underwent a rigorous, in-depth, unannounced onsite review earlier this year.

SoutheastHEALTH President and CEO Ken Bateman, said that in order to maintain said in order to obtain CCC Certification, the organization was required to show excellence and exceed quality measurements in at least seven of the following areas, including coronary artery bypass, heart failure and cardiac rehabilitation.

"We are humbled to once again receive this recognition, which is a direct result of a spirit of commitment, teamwork and a track record of excellence in our many areas of cardiac care," he added. "Even the myriad of challenges thrust upon us by the COVID-19 pandemic, did not impact our mission of providing exceptional care, in exceptional times."

SoutheastHEALTH is a recognized leader in cardiac care, this year earning six major, national accolades through the American Heart Association in the treatment of heart, vascular and stroke care and recognition by the American College of Cardiology as one of the nation's best hospitals for delivering outstanding care to heart patients.

"Cardiac Center Certification recognizes healthcare organizations devoted to fostering continuous quality improvement in patient safety and quality of care," said Mark Pelletier, RN, MS, chief operating officer, Accreditation and Certification Operations, and chief nursing executive, The Joint Commission. "We commend SoutheastHEALTH for using certification to strength its program structure for cardiac patients."

“We congratulate SoutheastHEALTH for this outstanding achievement,” says Nancy Brown, chief executive officer, the American Heart Association. “This certification reflects its commitment to providing the highest quality of care for cardiac patients.”

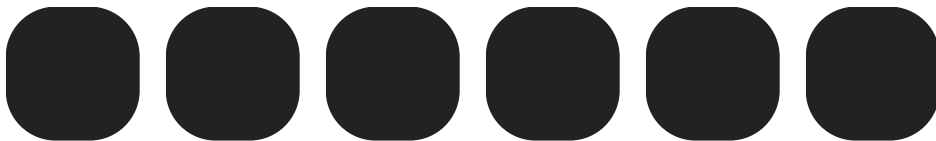
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Dexter, MO - The Golden Angel Tree is now up at SoutheastHEALTH of Stoddard County. Each year, SoutheastHEALTH sponsors the Angel Tree project. Area nursing homes and residential care facilities are asked to submit a list of names (up to 10) and needs of the residents that no longer have family around for Christmas.

The employees/community then have the opportunity to adopt these angels from the tree. This year 98 angels were submitted.

If you would like to adopt an angel this year, please contact Amy Ellinghouse at SoutheastHEALTH.

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Southeast Hospital has once again been awarded an ‘A’ in the fall 2021 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, a national distinction recognizing the organization’s achievements in protecting patients from harm and providing safer healthcare.

The Leapfrog Group is an independent national watchdog organization, assigns an ‘A’, ‘B’, ‘C’, ‘D’ or ‘F’ grade to all general hospitals across the country based on over 30 national performance measures reflecting errors, injuries, accidents, infections and other harms to patients in their care.

The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade is the only hospital ratings program based exclusively on hospital prevention of medical errors and harms to patients. The grading system is peer reviewed, fully transparent and free to the public. Grades are updated twice annually, in the fall and spring.

“Patient safety is always top of mind throughout our organization,” said SoutheastHEALTH President and CEO Ken Bateman. “Patients who entrust their care to us know that they will be in a safe environment throughout their hospital stay. Our strong record of patient safety, along with our exceptional team of caregivers, also helped prepare us for the COVID-19 and the most challenging time in the history of SoutheastHEALTH.”

“An ‘A’ safety grade is an elite designation that the community should be proud of,” said Leah Binder, president and CEO of the Leapfrog Group. “I thank the leadership and staff of Southeast Hospital for their commitment to prioritizing patients and their safety, especially during these trying times.”

Developed under the guidance of an expert panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses up to 27 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign grades to more than 2,600 U.S. acute care hospitals twice a year. The National Safety Grade’s methodology is peer-reviewed and fully transparent, and results are free to the public.

To see Southeast’s full grade details and access patient tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit hospitalsafetygrade.org and follow the Leapfrog Groupon Twitter and Facebook.

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About The Leapfrog Group

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, The Leapfrog Group 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 and new Leapfrog Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Survey collect and transparently report hospital and ASC performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest-value care and giving consumers the lifesaving information they need to make informed decisions. The Leapfrog 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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