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St. Luke's again among nation's 15 top health systems

St. Luke's Health System once again has been recognized among the 15 Top Health Systems in America as ranked by Truven Health Analytics.

This is the fourth consecutive year St. Luke's has received the honor, and places St. Luke's in the same category as Mayo Foundation, Mercy and Scripps Health.

St. Luke's McCall and associated clinics are part of St. Luke's Health System.

Using objective, independent research and public data, the 2017 study evaluated more than 300 U.S. health systems and hospitals based on balanced, system-wide clinical and administrative performance.

The public data includes Medicare cost reports and data, and patient satisfaction data from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Hospital Compare website.

The 15 Top Health Systems achieved superior performance using a composite score of various measures of care quality, patient perception of care, episode-of-illness, cost and operational efficiency.

Health systems do not apply for consideration, and winners do not pay to market their award.

The top-performing health systems, including St. Luke's, were recognized for the following:

- Saving 66,000 more lives and causing 43,000 fewer patient complications.
- Following industry-recommended standards of care more closely.
- Releasing patients from the hospital a half-day sooner.
- Fewer patient readmissions and fewer patient deaths within 30 days of admission.
- 18 percent shorter emergency department wait times.
- 5 percent lower Medicare beneficiary cost per 30-day episode of care.
- Higher scores from patients rating overall care.

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