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Top rural and community hospitals announced

The National Rural Health Association (NRHA) has announced the 20 highest-ranked prospective payment system (PPS) hospitals in the country based on an evaluation by the Chartis Center for Rural Health. The hospitals are identified using the Chartis Rural Hospital Performance INDEXTM, the most comprehensive and objective assessment of rural PPS hospital performance. These hospitals will be recognized May 9 during NRHA's Annual Rural Health Conference in New Orleans, La.

The determining factors for the top 20 rural and community hospitals are based on eight indices: inpatient market share, outpatient market share, quality, outcomes, patient perspective, cost, charge, and finance.

"NRHA is committed to ensuring our members have the best information to manage their hospitals," says Brock Slabach, NRHA chief operations officer. "We're pleased to recognize the accomplishments of these rural and community hospitals."

The top 20 rural and community hospitals are:

Brookings Health System Castleview Hospital Cedar City Hospital Chambers Memorial Hospital Childress Regional Medical Center CommonSpirit Mercy Hospital Evanston Regional Hospital Lakes Regional Healthcare Mayo Clinic Health System – Fairmont Memorial Hospital and Health Care Center Mercer County Community Hospital Monument Health Spearfish Hospital Munson Healthcare Cadillac Hospital MyMichigan Medical Center Alpena Prairie Lakes Healthcare System Pratt Regional Medical Center Sevier Valley Hospital Spencer Hospital SSM Health St Clare Hospital – Baraboo St. Johns Health

Price, Utah Cedar City, Utah Danville, Ark. Childress, Texas Durango, Colo. Evanston, Wyo. Spirit Lake, Iowa Fairmont, Minn. Jasper, Ind. Coldwater, Ohio Spearfish, S.D. Cadillac, Mich. Alpena, Mich. Watertown, S.D. Pratt. Kan. Richfield, Utah Spencer, Iowa Baraboo, Wis. Jackson, Wyo.

Brookings, S.D.

About NRHA

NRHA is a nonprofit organization working to improve the health and wellbeing of rural Americans and provide leadership on rural health issues through advocacy, communications, education, and research. NRHA's membership is made up of diverse individuals and organizations from across the country, all of whom share the common bond of an interest in rural health.

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