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4th Quarter 2022 Hospital Ratings

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LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY, USA, November 28, 2022/SafeCareGroup.com/-- The SafeCare Group, the company that connects people with great hospitals released its 4th Quarter 2022 Star Ratings on its www.100safecarehospitals.com site.

Healthcare consumers find information about the quality of care at over 4,500 accredited hospitals, including over 130 Veterans Administration (VA) medical centers and over 50 military hospitals, across the country. Hospitals are compared based on performance in the evidence-based metrics of:

- Timeliness of service;
- Infections of care:
- Complications of treatments;
- Readmissions within 30 days of discharges;
- Hospital deaths within 30 days of discharges.

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Compared to other developed nations U.S. healthcare ranked dead last. While coming in last place is horrible in itself (for years Americans were duped that they received the best healthcare), it is the sheer number of lives that are affected that really matters. Despite spending far more on healthcare than other high-income nations, the U.S. scores poorly on many key health measures, including life expectancy, preventable hospital admissions, postoperative complications, and maternal mortality.

"It's now a decade for www.100safecarehospitals.com," stated Yisrael Safeek, MD, MBA, The SafeCare Group Chairman and CEO. "Website traffic and feedback from health consumers have exceeded expectations. We are not surprised as a recent OIG Report detailed how patient safety gains have stalled over the past decade. This is contrary to what the patient safety organizations have been saying. Copies of OEI-06-18-00400 report can be obtained by contacting the Office of Public Affairs at Public.Affairs@oig.hhs.gov."

"For this quarter, overall hospital performance continues to be mediocre," stated Dr. Safeek. "We believe the mediocre performance of US hospitals is intricately tied to: outdated hospital accreditation methods; unpoliced GPO anticompetitive business practices; lack of hospital systems executive accountability; ineffective CMS pay-for-performance programs; overabundance of defensive medicine."

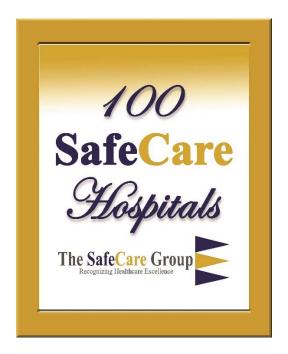
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"Current hospital accreditation methods do not seem to be providing better care, treatments, or services as promised," stated The SafeCare Group Vice Chairman, Yisrael M. Safeek, JD. "For example, current CMS accreditation methods do not incorporate objective, evidence-based data. Also, the CMS penalty for excess hospital readmissions is a joke among hospital leadership, as it is but a tiny fraction of the profits they gain from readmissions. The CMS has to reexamine its deemed status accreditation program as it does not seem to promote what's actually important: the health, safety, and optimal experience of patients."

The SafeCare Group leadership recommends that CMS deemed status accreditation be based on objective data that measures evidence-based, time-tested outcomes of care.

"There is enough EMR-based data that can be utilized to improve hospital care, treatment, and services," stated The SafeCare Group's Vice Chairman. "Further, empowering patients, caregivers, and providers with reliable healthcare information should be a priority. There is no place in healthcare for secret accreditation reports anymore. Current reports are secret because the conclusions are based upon the wholly subjective "tracer methodology" employed."

The SafeCare Group recommends that accreditation reports be public.

Recently, SafeCare magazine https://www.safecaremagazine.com/safecare-gpos.html punlished "25 Hospital Horror Stories" - patient reviews of 25 different acute care, accredited hospitals, some with heavily-touted high letter grades, and all delivering shabby care, horrible treatments, and poor services to vulnerable healthcare consumers. These reviews came from the patient site https://rateahospital.com/ where patients can rate their hospital care experiences.

The SafeCare Group CEO concluded, "Since that publication, hundreds more patient reviews including patient abandoment, long waits, excessive readmissions, and medical errors have been uploaded to the site. About 80 percent of the reviews on the site are not published – many name names and call out hospital leadership."

About The SafeCare Group®

The SafeCare Group is focused on helping patients by extending our products across their healthcare journey everything from finding a hospital, writing reviews, and staying connected afterwards. In 2019, The SafeCare Group launched https://rateahospital.com/ to allow patients to share care experiences, and in 2013, https://www.100safecarehospitals.com/ rankings were created to empower healthcare consumers. Since 2016, The SafeCare Group invested heavily into Artificial Intelligence (AI) platforms known as Intelligent Healthcare PaaS by leveraging machine learning and deep-learning capabilities. SafeCare AI® Suite https://www.safecareai.com/ fosters a new generation of AI applications, which are able to sense, reason, act and adapt, to address a range of healthcare challenges in areas such readmissions, medical errors, infections, cost, and outpatient utilization. Since 2014, SafeCareSoft® SaaS solutions enable hospitals to take advantage of disruptive healthcare software known as Softwaring Healthcare Excellence® that optimize hospital ratings and regulatory accreditation. The SafeCare Group® was founded in 2010 and is celebrating its 10th anniversary.

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