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Oneida Healthcare's Hospital Continues to Score among Best in NYS

The Leapfrog Group announced their national hospital spring 2017 safety grades.

Oneida, NY – For a consecutive time, Oneida Healthcare's Hospital received an "A" from The Leapfrog Group for patient safety. They represent the only area hospital to receive an "A" for patient safety throughout Onondaga, Madison, Oneida, Cayuga, and Herkimer Counties. Besides Oneida Healthcare, no area hospital within a 50 mile radius received a hospital safety grade higher than a "C".

"We're proud of our staff for their ongoing commitment to quality outcomes and patient safety," said Gene Morreale, President and CEO of Oneida Healthcare. "Earning an "A" grade in consecutive hospital safety reports is a difficult achievement and a reflection of our exceptional staff and physicians." Oneida Healthcare represents just one of only 14 hospitals to receive an "A" throughout all of New York State.

The Leapfrog Group assigns A, B, C, D and F letter grades to hospitals nationwide, which represents how well hospitals protect their patients from errors, injuries, and infections. "Hospitals that earn top marks nationally in the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, have achieved the highest safety standards in the country," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "That takes commitment from every member of the hospital staff, who all deserve thanks and congratulations when their hospitals achieve an 'A' Safety Grade

Developed under the guidance of an Expert Panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses 30 measures to assign grades to more than 2,600 U.S. hospitals twice per year. To compare local hospital safety grades near you, visit hospitalsafetygrade.org.

About Oneida Healthcare:

Oneida Healthcare serves an area comprised of approximately 24 communities in Madison and western Oneida counties with a population of about 100,000. Operated by Oneida Health Systems, Inc, a New York State not-for-profit corporation, the organization includes a 101-bed acute care hospital, 160-bed extended-care and short-term rehab facility, 4 hospital based primary care offices, 2 OB/GYN care offices, a hospital based maternal health clinic, four outreach laboratory draw stations; outpatient therapy center; 2 outpatient imaging centers; sleep disorder lab, a convenient care center and specialists offices in Neurology, Orthopedics, and

ENT. In 2017, they will be adding oncology and wound care services. To learn more about Oneida Healthcare, visit www.oneidahealthcare.org.

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 collects and transparently reports hospital 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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