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Saint Francis Hospital Verified as Level I Trauma Center

HARTFORD, Conn. (Nov. 19, 2018) - Saint Francis Hospital, a member of Trinity Health Of New England, is pleased to announce it has been verified as a Level I trauma center by the American College of Surgeons (ACS). The ACS conducts a rigorous onsite review and requires that a large number of specific criteria be met in every trauma-related subspecialty. Saint Francis was required to display superiority in each of the trauma subspecialties, as well as the entire spectrum of care, to address the needs of all critically injured patients.

“Attaining Level I status is a true testament to the excellence of trauma care Saint Francis provides to our most critically injured patients each and every day,” said John Rodis, M.D., M.B.A., President of Saint Francis Hospital, “The achievement validates that the work done by all the departments involved in treating a trauma patient is of the highest in national standards and further emphasizes that Saint Francis continues to be the best choice for the Greater Hartford communities.”

In order for a hospital to become verified as a Level I trauma center, they must meet and sustain criteria outlined by the American College of Surgeons’ Committee on Trauma, which ensures a hospital’s trauma care capability and institutional performance is optimal and among the best in the country.

“This is a momentous occasion for Saint Francis,” said Gary J. Kaml, M.D., F.A.C.S., director of trauma services. “This accomplishment recognizes the optimal care already in place throughout the comprehensive Saint Francis trauma program, which includes the emergency department, the surgical team, intensive care unit, inpatient services and our first responder partners. Each member of our team contributed to this milestone achievement through their dedication and commitment to serving our patients with the most optimal care.”

Saint Francis treats hundreds of trauma patients each month and is a major referral center, offering exceptional, on-site trauma specialists 24-hours a day.

About Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center

Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center has been an anchor institution in north central Connecticut since 1897. In 2015, Saint Francis became part of Trinity Health Of New England, a member of Trinity Health, one of the largest multi-institutional Catholic health care delivery systems in the nation. Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center is licensed for 617 beds, is a major teaching hospital and the largest Catholic hospital in New England. Other Saint Francis entities include the Comprehensive Women’s Health Center, the Connecticut Joint Replacement Institute, the Curtis D. Robinson Center for Health Equity, the Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute of Connecticut, the Smilow Cancer Hospital Yale-New Haven at Saint Francis, and Trinity Health Of New England Medical Group. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter @SaintFrancisCT

