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Sharon Hospital Earns "A" In Leapfrog Patient Safety Report

Sharon, Conn. — November 7, 2019 — The report cards are out for the second half of the year: Sharon Hospital earned another A for patient safety.

"By once again receiving the highest patient safety score Leapfrog can give a hospital, we demonstrated consistently that we offer excellent care and are among the top tier of hospitals in the nation," said Denise George, interim president of Sharon Hospital. "That's an accomplishment we are very proud of."

The A grade comes from the Leapfrog Group, a national non-affiliated nonprofit with a mission to let the public know which hospitals have the best patient safety records. Sharon Hospital received the highest score, ranking among one-third of hospitals nationwide when it comes to reducing errors, avoiding harm and hospital readmission rates. The hospital also received an 'A' in the spring, the last time Leapfrog gave out report cards.

Leapfrog uses data from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), its own survey of hospitals and other data sources to calculate grades and make them available to the public.

"'A' hospitals show us their leadership is protecting patients from preventable medical harm and error," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "It takes genuine commitment at every level – from clinicians to administrators to the board of directors – and we congratulate the teams who have worked so hard to earn this A."

Along with the A grades from Leapfrog this year, Sharon Hospital also received a four-star rating from the CMS in February.

Leapfrog Safety Grades can be found here: hospitalsafetygrade.org. For more about Sharon Hospital, visit healthquest.org/Sharon.

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