

PORTLAND, Ore., March 7, 2014 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- [Adventist Medical Center](#) has been recognized by Healthgrades as one of America's 100 Best hospitals for treating Critical Care and Spine Surgery patients. Healthgrades, a leading online resource that helps consumers search, compare and connect with physicians and hospitals, evaluated nearly 4,500 hospitals nationwide and identified the 100 best hospitals.

"We are constantly challenging ourselves to deliver the highest quality care in a safe, timely, effective and efficient patient-centered environment," says Tom Russell, President and CEO of Adventist Medical Center. Better outcomes are the result of coordinated care between patients, physicians, nurses, therapists, and the entire caregiving team. Treating Critical Care and Spine Surgery patients requires a highly skilled team. "Because our mission calls us to excellence in relationships which translates into better patient care, our staff has adopted a practice of treating every patient as if they were part of their own family," continues Russell. "This focus helps reduce infection and complication rates, resulting in better patient outcomes"

The hospital's extraordinary achievement is part of findings released in ***American Hospital Quality Outcomes 2014: Healthgrades Report to the Nation***

, which demonstrates how clinical performance differs dramatically between hospitals and the impact on health outcomes. For example, from 2010-2012, if all hospitals, performed similarly to hospitals receiving 5-stars as a group, on average 234,252 lives could potentially have been saved and 157,418 complications could potentially have been avoided. A 5-star rating indicates that Adventist Medical Center's clinical outcomes are better than expected when treating the condition or conducting the procedure being evaluated.

For its analysis, Healthgrades evaluated approximately 40 million Medicare-patient records for nearly 4,500 short-term acute care hospitals nationwide, assessing hospital performance relative to each of 31 common conditions and procedures

More information on the ***American Hospital Quality Outcomes 2014: Healthgrades Report to the Nation***, including the complete methodology, can be found at www.healthgrades.com/quality

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About Adventist Health [Adventist Medical Center \(AMC\)](#) , located in southeast Portland, is a nonprofit, 302-bed acute care facility, offering a full range of inpatient, outpatient and emergency services throughout the

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metropolitan area is the flagship of Adventist Health services in the

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area. Adventist Health-Portland, is staffed by more than 2,000 employees and includes 37 primary care and specialty clinics in the metro area.

Adventist Health-Portland is part of Adventist Health, a faith-based, not-for-profit integrated health care delivery system serving communities in California, Hawaii, Oregon and Washington

. Our workforce of 28,700 includes more than 21,000 employees; 4,500 medical staff physicians; and 3,000 volunteers. Founded on Seventh-day Adventist health values, Adventist Health provides compassionate care in 19 hospitals, more than 150 clinics (hospital-based, rural health and physician clinics), 14 home care agencies, six hospice agencies and four joint-venture retirement centers. We invite you to visit our website at

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