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UBH Ranked Among Top Hospitals Receiving 2018 HealthInsight Quality Award

Program Recognizes Excellence in Clinical Quality and Patient Care

October 22, 2018: Ten Utah hospitals are being recognized for their high performance on quality-of-care outcome measures and patient satisfaction. The HealthInsight Quality Award Program recognizes high-performing health care provider organizations in the states for which HealthInsight serves as the Medicare program's Quality Innovation Network-Quality Improvement Organization (QIN-QIO) contractor.

Eligibility for the Hospital Quality Award is based on a composite ranking of performance on quality measures reported on Medicare's Hospital Compare website. Hospitals that rank in the top 25th percentile for the composite score are eligible for a 2018 Quality Award. To see a full description of how the composite score is calculated visit the website: <https://healthinsight.org/quality-awards>.

The 2018 award recipients are:

- Uintah Basin Healthcare - Roosevelt
- Utah Valley Hospital – Provo
- University of Utah Health - Salt Lake City
- TOSH - The Orthopedic Specialty Hospital - Salt Lake City
- Sevier Valley Hospital - Richfield
- Mckay-Dee Hospital - Ogden
- Intermountain Logan Regional Hospital - Logan
- Intermountain Fillmore Community Hospital - Fillmore
- Delta Community Hospital - Delta
- Bear River Valley Hospital - Tremonton

“We at HealthInsight are excited to recognize the performance of these hospitals,” said Juliana Preston, HealthInsight Utah executive director. “They are a mix of large and small, urban and rural. The awards celebrate the commitment of hospital leaders and staff to improving patient safety, patient experience and quality of care. This achievement requires dedication to quality and constant concern for the people cared for in these hospitals.”

The HealthInsight Quality Award Program was launched in September 2004 to promote transparency in health care. As defined by the Institute of Medicine, a transparent health care system is “accountable to the public, works openly, makes results known, and builds trust through disclosure.” By using available quality data to identify high-performing providers and publicizing the results, HealthInsight aims to help providers improve health care and help patients become more active and informed participants in their own care.

“Uintah Basin Healthcare is currently ranked #1 in Utah on the National Hospital Rankings Chart through Health Insights for overall rankings which includes the patient experience, healthcare-associated infections, readmissions and mortality rates. We are humbled and honored to be in this position and will continue to strive to exceed expectations to provide our community with the best service possible” stated

Roger Burton, VP of Quality for Uintah Basin Healthcare. To view current National Hospital Rankings, visit <https://healthinsight.org/rankings/hospitals/hospital-rankings?s=UT>.

For more information on how a given facility compares to others in the nation, visit healthinsight.org. More hospital quality data are available by visiting [medicare.gov](https://www.medicare.gov) or by calling 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227).

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HealthInsight is a regional health improvement collaborative that oversees affiliated 501 (c)(3) nonprofit corporations in Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon and Utah, and End Stage Renal Disease Networks across the western United States. HealthInsight holds contracts and grants in key areas of health care improvement, including leading quality improvement activities for the Medicare program as the Quality Innovation Network-Quality Improvement Organization (QIN-QIO) for the four-state region. HealthInsight has experience assisting front-line providers and engaging health care stakeholders to improve health care and outcomes. Its programs focus on transparency and public reporting; effective use of health information technology; engaging patients and communities to improve their health; and redesigning how care is paid for and delivered.

In April 2018, HealthInsight and Qualis Health announced a formal merger, combining the two organizations and their operations across the U.S. Both Qualis Health and HealthInsight have been engaged in health care quality consulting and providing quality improvement services for more than 40 years.

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Uintah Basin Healthcare is a community not-for-profit healthcare system, serving the Uintah Basin since 1944. Today, Uintah Basin Healthcare is the largest and most comprehensive independent rural-based healthcare system in the state of Utah.