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Baylor Jack and Jane Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital Achieves Magnet® Recognition Again Recognition for the third time reinforces a commitment to nursing excellence

Dallas, Texas — **March 20, 2017** — Baylor Jack and Jane Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital, joint ownership with physicians, and a part of Baylor Scott & White Health, attained Magnet® recognition again in March; a testament to its continued dedication to high-quality nursing practice. The American Nurses Credentialing Center's Magnet Recognition Program® distinguishes health care organizations that meet rigorous standards for nursing excellence. This credential is the highest national honor for professional nursing practice.

Receiving Magnet recognition for the third time is a great achievement for Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital as it continues to proudly belong to the global community of Magnet-recognized organizations. Just 452 U.S. health care organizations out of over 6,300 U.S. hospitals have achieved Magnet recognition. In addition, approximately just 34 percent of Magnet recognized organizations that have attempted three or more designations have been successful.

"Magnet recognition is a tremendous honor and reflects our commitment to delivering high-quality care to this community," said Nancy Vish, PhD, RN, NEA-BC. "To earn Magnet recognition once was a great accomplishment and an incredible source of pride for our nurses. Our repeated achievement of this credential underscores the foundation of excellence and values that drive our entire staff to strive harder each day to meet the health care needs of the people we serve."

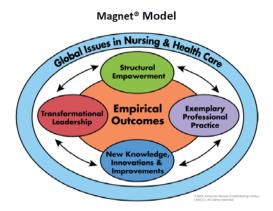
Research demonstrates that Magnet recognition provides specific benefits to health care organizations and their communities, such as:

- Higher patient satisfaction with nurse communication, availability of help and receipt of discharge information.
- Lower risk of 30-day mortality and lower failure to rescue rates.
- Higher job satisfaction among nurses.
- Lower nurse reports of intentions to leave their positions.

Magnet recognition is the gold standard for nursing excellence and is a factor when the public judges health care organizations. U.S. News & World Report's annual showcase of "America's Best Hospitals" includes Magnet recognition in its ranking criteria for quality of inpatient care.

The Magnet Model provides a framework for nursing practice, research, and measurement of outcomes. Through this framework, ANCC evaluates applicants across a number of components and dimensions to gauge an organization's nursing excellence.

The foundation of this model comprises various elements deemed essential to delivering superior patient care. These include the quality of nursing leadership and coordination and collaboration across specialties, as well as processes for measuring and improving the quality and delivery of care.



http://www.nursecredentialing.org/Magnet/ProgramOverview/New-Magnet-Model

To achieve initial Magnet recognition, organizations must pass a rigorous and lengthy process that demands widespread participation from leadership and staff. This process includes an electronic application, written patient care documentation, an on-site visit, and a review by the Commission on Magnet Recognition.

Health care organizations must reapply for Magnet recognition every four years based on adherence to Magnet concepts and demonstrated improvements in patient care and quality. An organization reapplying for Magnet recognition must provide documented evidence to demonstrate how staff members sustained and improved Magnet concepts, performance and quality over the four-year period since the organization received its [initial/most recent] recognition.

"When the hospital opened in 2002 as the region's first hospital dedicated to heart and vascular care, it was our vision to achieve national recognition on many levels. It absolutely takes a lot of hard work and dedication on the part of the entire team to work for this prestigious status and pursue the application process with the American Nurses Credentialing Center's (ANCC) Magnet Recognition Program®. The third-time designation and recognition granted by the ANCC as one of only 35 hospitals in Texas signifies that the quality care and service excellence are continually demonstrated by every team member at Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital."

"We're a better organization today because of the Magnet recognition we first achieved years ago," says Lindsey Briley, BSN, RN-BC, Magnet® Coordinator at Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital. "Magnet recognition improved the quality of patient care and inspired every member of our team to achieve excellence every day. It is this commitment to providing our community with high-quality care that helped us become a Magnet-recognized organization, and it's why we continue to pursue and maintain Magnet recognition."

About Baylor Jack and Jane Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital

Founded in a tradition of research and innovation, Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital† opened in 2002 as the region's first and only dedicated hospital to heart and vascular care. Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital is located on the main campus of Baylor University Medical Center at Dallas with services also available at Baylor Scott & White All Saints Medical Center – Fort Worth. With more than 34,000 patient registrations annually, a broad array of advanced cardiac interventional procedures and vascular surgeries are available, as well as diagnostic imaging and cardiac rehabilitative services. Programs on wellness and prevention are offered for the community. For more information about Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital, visit: www.BaylorHeartHospital.com

About Baylor Scott & White Health

Formed from the 2013 merger between Baylor Health Care System and Scott & White Healthcare, the system referred to as Baylor Scott & White Health is the largest not-for-profit health care system in the state of Texas. With total assets of \$10.8 billion** and serving a population larger than the state of Georgia, Baylor Scott & White Health has the vision and resources to provide its patients continued quality care while creating a model system for a dramatically changing health care environment. The system now includes 48 hospitals, more than 1,000 access points, 5,500 active physicians, and 44,000 employees, plus the Scott & White Health Plan, Baylor Scott & White Research Institute and Baylor Scott & White Quality Alliance—a network of clinical providers and facilities focused on improving quality, managing the health of patient populations and reducing the overall cost of care. For more information visit, BSWHealth.com.

† Joint ownership with physicians.

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** Based on unaudited 2016 fiscal year statements

About ANCC's Magnet Recognition Program

The Magnet Recognition Program — administered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center, the largest and most prominent nurses credentialing organization in the world — identifies health care organizations that provide the very best in nursing care and professionalism in nursing practice. The Magnet Recognition Program is the highest national honor for nursing excellence and provides consumers with the ultimate benchmark for measuring quality of care. For more information about the Magnet Recognition Program and current statistics, visit www.nursecredentialing.org/magnet.

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