

Nine Ardent Health Facilities Earn “A” Hospital Safety Grade From The Leapfrog Group

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BRENTWOOD, Tenn.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Ardent Health (NYSE: ARDT), a leading provider of healthcare in growing midsize urban communities across the U.S., today announced that nine of its facilities earned an “A” **Hospital Safety Grade** from The Leapfrog Group, an independent national nonprofit watchdog focused on patient safety. Leapfrog assigns an “A,” “B,” “C,” “D” or “F” grade to general hospitals across the country based on over 30 performance measures reflecting errors, accidents, injuries and infections, as well as the systems hospitals have in place to prevent them.

"Ardent's commitment to providing exceptional, patient-centered care is our top priority, and we are honored that our hospitals have once again received 'A' grades from The Leapfrog Group," said Ardent President and CEO Marty Bonick. "Our facilities continue to perform above the national average, and this achievement reflects the dedication and expertise of the entire Ardent team, who work tirelessly to ensure safety, quality and compassion in the care we deliver each day."

For fall 2024, 81% of Ardent's eligible facilities earned an “A” or “B” Hospital Safety Grade compared to 56% of eligible hospitals nationally. The nine Ardent facilities that earned an “A” grade include:

- Hackensack Meridian Pascack Valley Medical Center (Westwood, New Jersey)
- Hillcrest Hospital South (Tulsa, Oklahoma)
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- Portneuf Medical Center (Pocatello, Idaho)
- Seton Medical Center Harker Heights (Harker Heights, Texas)
- UT Health Athens (Athens, Texas)
- UT Health Henderson (Henderson, Texas)

- UT Health Jacksonville (Jacksonville, Texas)
- UT Health Tyler (Tyler, Texas)

“Achieving an ‘A’ Hospital Safety Grade is a significant accomplishment for Ardent’s facilities,” said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. “It reflects enormous dedication to your patients and their families, and your whole community should be proud. I extend my congratulations to Ardent, its leadership, clinicians, staff and volunteers for their tireless efforts to put patients first.”

The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade stands as the only hospital ratings program focused solely on preventable medical errors, infections and injuries that kill more than 500 patients a day in the United States. This program is peer-reviewed, fully transparent and free to the public. Grades are updated twice annually, in the fall and spring.

To explore all Ardent facilities’ full grade details and to find valuable tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit HospitalSafetyGrade.org.

About Ardent Health

Ardent Health (NYSE: ARDT) is a leading provider of healthcare in growing mid-sized urban communities across the U.S. With a focus on people and investments in innovative services and technologies, Ardent is passionate about making healthcare better and easier to access. Through its subsidiaries, the Company delivers care through a system of 30 acute care hospitals and more than 200 sites of care with over 1,800 affiliated providers across six states. For more information, please visit ardenthealth.com.

About The Leapfrog Group

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, **The Leapfrog Group** is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps for patient safety. The **Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade**, Leapfrog's other main initiative, assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents and infections. For more, **follow them on Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram and sign up for their newsletter.**

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