

Livingston HealthCare earns nat'l recognition

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Livingston HealthCare has earned Quality Respiratory Care Recognition under a national program aimed at helping patients and families make informed decisions about the quality of the respiratory care services available in hospitals.

Only 15 percent of hospitals in the United States received the award. This is the third year in a row that Livingston HealthCare has been granted the award, which recognizes the facility for adhering to a strict set of criteria governing respiratory care services. These requirements include:

- All respiratory therapists employed by the hospital to deliver bedside respiratory care services are registered respiratory therapists.
- Respiratory therapists are available 24 hours a day.
- A physician has been designated as medical director of respiratory care services.

"Hospitals that meet the QRCR requirements provide a level of respiratory care consistent with national standards and guidelines, and should be commended for their commitment to quality care," said a release from the American Association of Respiratory Care.

For more information about the cardiopulmonary and respiratory care services offered at Livingston HealthCare, visit www.livingstonhealthcare.org.