

American Heart Association Honors Intermountain Hospitals

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, USA, December 7, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Several Intermountain Healthcare hospitals in Utah were recognized by the American Heart Association and the American Stroke Association. The organizations recognize hospitals that are using up-to-date, evidence-based treatment protocols through their Get With The Guidelines quality improvement program. The goal of using the protocols is seen in better patient outcomes.

Intermountain hospitals were recognized for meeting those performance measures. Intermountain has a major focus on using evidence-based care through all clinical areas.

"The Intermountain Stroke Programs focus on all aspects of quality stroke care across the continuum from the Emergency Room to Rehab to Stroke Prevention. Our ultimate goal is to achieve the best patient outcomes and to reduce disability," said Robert Hoesch, MD, PhD, Medical Director Intermountain Healthcare's Neurosciences Operation.

"Being recognized by the American Heart Association and the American Stroke Association is a great honor because it confirms that our stroke programs have prioritized the highest quality stroke care and are performing on par with or better than other Stroke Programs nationwide, all with the overarching goal of reducing disability in stroke patients."

The hospitals recognized cover the entire geographic area of Utah from North to South. American Fork Hospital and Utah Valley Hospital in Utah County, Dixie Regional Medical Center in Washington County, Intermountain Medical Center in Salt Lake County, and McKay-Dee Hospital in Weber County.

Intermountain Healthcare is a Utah-based, not-for-profit system of 22 hospitals, 185 clinics, a Medical Group with some 1,500 employed physicians, a health plans division called SelectHealth, and other health services. Ten Intermountain Cancer Centers are located in Utah in Logan, Ogden, Salt Lake City, Riverton, Murray, American Fork, Provo, Cedar City, and St. George. Helping people live the healthiest lives possible[®], Intermountain is widely recognized as a leader in clinical quality improvement and in efficient healthcare delivery. For more information about Intermountain, visit intermountainhealthcare.org.

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