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**Healthgrades Names Pratt Regional Medical Center a
2024 Patient Safety Excellence Award™ Recipient**

PRMC among top in nation for patient safety

[Pratt, KS] – September 5, 2024 – Pratt Regional Medical Center announced today it has been recognized as a 2024 Patient Safety Excellence Award™ and recipient by [Healthgrades](#), the leading resource consumers use to find a hospital or doctor. This achievement, along with PRMC being named one of America’s 100 Best Hospitals for Joint Replacement reflects PRMC’s commitment to delivering safe, high-quality care.

“I am proud of our commitment to patient safety and high-quality care,” PRMC President and CEO, Tammy Smith said. “It has allowed us to achieve this five-star rating. Our staff deserves to be recognized for their accomplishments and commitment to providing excellent and compassionate care.”

Healthgrades evaluated risk-adjusted complication and mortality rates for approximately 4,500 hospitals nationwide to determine this year’s top-performing hospitals for patient safety. During the 2020-2022 study period, **nearly 170,000 potentially preventable safety events occurred among Medicare patients in U.S. hospitals**, with four patient safety indicators accounting for close to 75% of these incidents.* Healthgrades’ analysis revealed that patients treated in hospitals receiving the 2024 Patient Safety Excellence Award have a significantly lower chance of experiencing one of the four leading safety indicators than patients treated at non-recipient hospitals:

- In-hospital fall resulting in fracture (approximately 52% less likely)
- Collapsed lung due to a procedure or surgery in or around the chest (approximately 56% less likely)
- Pressure sores or bed sores acquired in the hospital (approximately 67% less likely)
- Catheter-related bloodstream infections acquired in the hospital (approximately 71% less likely)

“PRMC has cultivated an outstanding safety culture that prioritizes the well-being of both patients and staff, setting a high standard for patient safety nationwide,” said Brad Bowman, MD, chief medical

officer and head of data science at Healthgrades. “We’re proud to recognize PRMC for providing top-quality care while preventing serious injuries to patients during their hospital stay.”

Where you’re treated matters, which is why Healthgrades is committed to providing the most scientifically accurate information about doctors and hospitals—with data insights not available anywhere else. To learn more about how Healthgrades measures hospital quality, visit [healthgrades.com](https://www.healthgrades.com).

**Statistics are calculated from Healthgrades Patient Safety Ratings and Excellence Award methodology which is based primarily on AHRQ technical specifications (Version 2023.0.1) to MedPAR data from approximately 4,500 hospitals for years 2020 through 2022 and represent three-year estimates for Medicare patients only.*

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