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BOCA RATON REGIONAL HOSPITAL RECEIVES "A" RATING IN HOSPITAL SAFETY SCORE

Places Hospital in top one third of institutions nationwide

BOCA RATON, FL – **October 30, 2014** – Boca Raton Regional Hospital is the recipient of an "A" grade in the latest Hospital Safety Score[®] ratings, administered by The Leapfrog Group, an independent, national nonprofit organization focused on healthcare safety and accountability.

Issued biannually, the Hospital Safety Score — calculated under the guidance of a six-member panel representing such institutions as Johns Hopkins and Harvard — uses 28 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to produce a single grade representing a hospital's overall success in keeping patients safe from infections, injuries, and medical and medication errors.

The fall 2014 report used information from 2013 and assigned "A," "B," "C," "D" or "F" grades to 2,520 general hospitals in the United States, with less than a third earning an "A" grade. As part of the top rating, Boca Regional earned a perfect score of 100 in the categories "Staff Follows Steps to Make Surgery Safer" and "Right Staffing to Prevent Safety Problems."

"Ensuring a safe and satisfactory stay for each and every one of our patients is a primary component of Boca Regional's commitment to providing exceptional, patient-centered care," said Jerry Fedele, President and CEO of Boca Regional. "Our 'A' rating from The Leapfrog Group recognizes the continued success of our entire team of doctors, nurses, staff and volunteers in fulfilling that commitment."

For more information about the Hospital Safety Score or to view the list of state rankings, please visit www.hospitalsafetyscore.org.

About Boca Raton Regional Hospital – Advancing the boundaries of medicine.

Boca Raton Regional Hospital is an advanced, tertiary medical center (<u>BRRH.com</u>) with 400 beds and more than 800 primary and specialty physicians on staff. The Hospital is a recognized

leader in oncology, cardiovascular disease and surgery, minimally invasive surgery, orthopedics, women's health, emergency medicine and the neurosciences, all of which offer state-of-the-art diagnostic and imaging capabilities. The Hospital is a designated Comprehensive Stroke Center by the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA).

Boca Raton Regional Hospital is the recipient of the 2014 Distinguished Hospital Award for Clinical Excellence[™] for the 10th year in a row and was named one of America's 50 Best Hospitals in 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014, both by Healthgrades[®]. Boca Raton Regional Hospital was also recognized for the third consecutive year in *U.S. News & World Report*'s 2013–2014 Best Hospitals listing as a top-ranked hospital in the South Florida metropolitan area.