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— Sheila Kempf, RN, PhD
Vice President of Patient Care Services/Chief Nursing Officer

Princeton Medical Center Gets an A in Patient Safety

Congratulations to all employees, physicians, and volunteers who support patient care at Princeton Medical Center (PMC). The hospital recently received an “A” in the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades, which are published twice annually to evaluate hospitals on how well they protect patients from preventable errors, accidents, injuries, and infections.

The Fall 2021 edition of the Hospital Safety Grades evaluated about 2,900 hospitals, the most ever, on more than 30 evidence-based measures of patient safety. Nationwide, 32 percent of hospitals received an A.

The safety grades account for hospital-acquired infections, surgical errors, and patient falls, as well as process measures that promote patient safety such as nurse staffing levels, how medications are ordered and administered, and whether specially trained physicians care for patients in the critical care unit. New performance measures this year included outcomes related to postoperative sepsis, blood leakage, and kidney injury.

The Leapfrog Group’s analysis also includes patient survey results regarding the responsiveness of hospital staff, the quality of communication with doctors and nurses, and communication about medications and discharge.

Appraisers from the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) will make a virtual site visit to Penn Medicine Princeton Medical Center (PMC) in early 2022 to evaluate the hospital’s application for Magnet Recognition.

During the three-day visit, scheduled for January 5, 6, and 7, the team of Magnet appraisers will meet with nurses and staff from all departments to clarify and validate information presented in PMC’s application document, which was submitted in August 2021 and recently accepted by the ANCC. The appraisers will make a recommendation to the ANCC Magnet Program Office on whether to award Magnet Recognition, a prestigious designation signifying nursing excellence. If successful, this would be Princeton Medical Center’s third designation.

ANCC Magnet Recognition began in the 1990s and was based on the results of a study conducted by the American Academy of Nursing to identify the factors that contribute to nursing excellence, outstanding patient outcomes, and an exceptional patient experience. These factors — the “Forces of Magnetism” — make up the standards which must be demonstrated in the application document. Designation is awarded for four years.

“Achieving and maintaining Magnet designation for the medical center is an interdisciplinary effort,” said Sheila Kempf, RN, PhD, vice president of patient care services and chief nursing officer. “Although it is a nursing initiative, we are grateful for the invaluable support from all departments that help us provide excellent patient care. We want to thank them for their continued partnership in preparation for our site visit and beyond.”

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Princeton Health highlighted its fourth Penn Medicine Experience (PMX) Week on Thursday, October 28 with an awards ceremony honoring nearly three dozen employees, physicians, and volunteers who were nominated by their peers for embodying the week’s theme: BE EMPOWERED. The virtual ceremony led off with opening remarks by CEO James Demetriades and a video featuring Reina Fleury, vice president, human resources and CHRO, the Princeton Health representative who was highlighted as part of Penn Medicine’s systemwide PMX Empowered campaign. The video can be viewed at https://tinyurl.com/3ym4eyru.

This year’s award categories and winners were:

PMX Awards

Princeton House Behavioral Health–Inpatient
Catherine Alvarado, MSW, Social Worker
Princeton House Behavioral Health–Outpatient
Kristine Aguilar, MSW, LCSW, Social Worker
Princeton Medical Center, Non-clinical
Joanita Miranda, MSW, LCSW, Social Worker
Princeton Medical Center, Clinical
Andre Angelis, RN, Critical Care
Volunteer Services
Manoj Chekovia
Princeton Medicine Physicians, Clinical
Ryan Clark, LPN
Princeton Medicine Physicians, Non-clinical
David Everett, Training Specialist
Physician/Provider
Anatoliy Yanovskiy, MD, Medical Director, Princeton House–Inpatient
Leadership
Eli Mosquera, Assistant Director, Environmental Services
Team Award

This year’s award categories and winners were:

Princeton House–Inpatient
Bridget Voets, RN, Wing 1
Princeton House–Outpatient
Lynn Bovier, Senior Department Secretary
Kieanna Mack, Office Manager
Princeton Medical Center, Non-Clinical
Donna Danielis, Supervisor, Cancer Center – PAS
Tina Lee, Data Manager
Chelsee Williamson, MSW, LCSW, Team Coordinator
Karen Stewart, Clinical Operations Analyst
Phil Tran, RN, Stroke Program Coordinator
Princeton Medical Center, Clinical
Andy Appel, Nursing Assistant
Jeanne Booth, RN, Clinical Decision Unit
Gary Collins, Clinical Specialist CT Services
Jodi Goe, RN, Surgical Care Unit
Denise Hudson, EKG Tech
Cherisse Javier, RN, Assistant Nurse Manager
Elizabeth Mansell, CT Special Procedures Tech
Diporeka Patel, Imaging Supervisor, CT and Diagnostic Imaging
Sandra Stevens, Nursing Assistant

Volunteer Services
Kimberly Flood
Kumar Nanavati
Princeton Medicine Physicians, Clinical
Jessica Almodovar, Certified Medical Assistant, Supervisor
Adriana Nashid, RN, Telemetry
Meridith Shaw, LPN, Gastroenterology
Megan Warwick, Certified Medical Assistant
Princeton Medicine Physicians, Non-Clinical
Karline Hernandez, Medical Receptionist
Yolanda Johnson, Scheduling Coordinator
Yuje Zhu, Scheduling Coordinator
Leadership
Rebecca Calvan, Office Manager
Sandra Mariani, RN, Senior Nurse Manager
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