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iVantage Names Steele Memorial Medical Center Top 100 Critical Access Hospital

Steele Memorial Medical Center in Salmon, ID was recently named one of the iVantage Top 100 Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) in the United States for the second year in a row.

“Steele Memorial Medical Center is proud of the efforts of our providers and employees who have contributed to our organization achieving this designation,” said Dennis Lile, Steele Memorial Medical Center Chairman of the Board.

Steele Memorial Medical Center scored in the top 100 of Critical Access Hospitals on the iVantage Hospital Strength INDEX™. The INDEX is the industry's most comprehensive rating of US acute care hospitals, and the only one to include the country’s 1,300 CAHs. The results recognize that the Top 100 Critical Access Hospitals provide a safety net to communities across rural America – measuring them across 62 different performance metrics, including quality, outcomes, patient perspective, affordability, population risk and efficiency. The list of the top 100 Critical Access Hospitals and more information about the study can be found at www.iVantageHealth.com.

“Rural healthcare deserves the same performance analysis as all provider performance. It plays a vital role for communities across America, serving nearly 80 million people. The services provided in rural America are similar to those needed in any major metropolitan area, yet the volumes and economic resources provide little economies of scale, making for little benefit from scale. These top 100 Critical Access Hospitals exhibit a focused concern for their community benefits and needs, regardless of scale, reimbursement and people’s ability to pay,” said Michael Topchik, senior vice president of iVantage Health Analytics.

SMMC, a critical access hospital and rural health clinic, is nestled in the rocky mountains of Idaho and has the distinction of being one of the most remote medical centers in the lower 48 United States. To read more about us, please visit our website at www.steelemh.org.

About iVantage Health Analytics

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