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**Coliseum Medical Centers, Coliseum Northside Hospital and Fairview Park Hospital Earn an 'A' Grade For Patient Safety in Leapfrog's Fall 2018 Hospital Safety Score**

Coliseum Medical Centers, Coliseum Northside Hospital and Fairview Park Hospital were awarded an 'A' from [The Leapfrog Group's](#) Fall 2018 [Hospital Safety Grade](#). The designation recognizes the hospitals' efforts in protecting patients from harm and meeting the highest safety standards in the United States. The Leapfrog Group is a national organization committed to improving health care quality and safety for consumers and purchasers. The Safety Grade assigns an A, B, C, D or F grade to hospitals across the country based on their performance in preventing medical errors, infections and other harms among patients in their care.

Cesar Figueroa, MD, Chief of Medical Staff for Coliseum Health System said, "Coliseum Medical Centers and Coliseum Northside Hospital have always been committed to the quality care of our patients. This rating from Leapfrog shows how hard our physicians and staff have worked to keep our priority that of our patients and their safety."

Developed under the guidance of a National Expert Panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses 28 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign grades to more than 2,600 U.S. hospitals twice per year. The Hospital Safety Grade's methodology is peer-reviewed and fully transparent, and the results are free to the public.

Don Avery, Chief Executive Officer at Fairview Park Hospital, said, "Fairview Park Hospital is committed to providing high quality care in a safe environment to our patients and their families. An "A" score from the Leapfrog Group demonstrates exceptional teamwork and a focus on safety by our employees and physicians to protect those whom we serve. We will remain diligent to this end and never take for granted our patients' safety. It is our highest priority!"

There were 855 hospitals across the United States awarded an A in the Fall 2018 update of grades. To see full grade details, and to access patient tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit [www.hospitalsafetygrade.org](http://www.hospitalsafetygrade.org) and follow The Leapfrog Group on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

**About The Leapfrog Group**

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, [The Leapfrog Group](#) is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps forward in the quality and safety of American health care. The flagship [Leapfrog Hospital Survey](#) collects and transparently reports hospital performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest-value care and giving consumers the lifesaving information they need to make informed decisions. The [Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade](#), Leapfrog's other main initiative, assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents, and infections.

**About Coliseum Health System**

Owned by HCA Healthcare (HCA), Coliseum Health System is comprised of Coliseum Medical Centers and Coliseum Northside Hospital, two medical/surgical campuses with a total of 413 beds. The hospitals feature an expansive range of state-of-the-art services designed to meet the comprehensive medical needs of central Georgia. Both facilities include a 24-hour emergency room, inpatient and outpatient surgery options, rehabilitation programs, and diagnostic services. In addition, Coliseum Health System's breadth of care options includes specialty facilities such as the Coliseum Heart Institute, an advanced cardiac center offering all services from non-invasive cardiology to open heart surgery, Coliseum Primary Stroke Center, Coliseum Orthopaedic & Spine Institute, Coliseum Cancer Institute, Coliseum Robotic

Institute, Georgia Bariatric Center, Coliseum Rehabilitation Center, and the Family Ties Birthing Center, which includes a level III neonatal nursery. Additionally, the Coliseum Center for Behavioral Health, located at Coliseum Medical Centers, provides treatment to adults with psychiatric and addiction issues through inpatient and outpatient programs, as well as, a specialty program for senior adults. For more information about Coliseum Health System, visit: <http://coliseumhealthsystem.com>.

**About Fairview Park Hospital:**

*Neighbors Caring for Neighbors – That is Fairview Park Hospital’s commitment to the residents of Laurens and surrounding counties. An HCA-affiliated hospital, this state-of-the-art, 190-bed acute care facility has provided quality health care for Dublin, Ga., and the surrounding counties since 1982, with an estimated economic impact of \$75 million annually. Comprehensive community health care services available at Fairview Park Hospital include more than 45 departments and specialty areas. In addition to serving the needs for acute, outpatient and rehabilitative care, the hospital is a leader in wellness, prevention and community health issues. For more information about Fairview Park Hospital, visit: [www.fairviewparkhospital.com](http://www.fairviewparkhospital.com).*

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