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Top rural community hospitals announced

The National Rural Health Association (NRHA) has named the 20 highest-ranked prospective payment system hospitals in the country based on an evaluation by The Chartis Center for Rural Health using iVantage Health Analytics’ Hospital Strength Index. These rural community hospitals will be recognized in an awards ceremony during NRHA’s Rural Hospital Innovation Summit May 9 in Atlanta.

The determining factors for the top 20 rural community hospitals were based on eight indices: inpatient market share, outpatient market share, quality, outcomes, patient perspective, cost, charge, and financial stability.

“NRHA is committed to ensuring our members have the best information to manage their hospitals,” says Brock Slabach, NRHA membership services senior vice president. “We’re pleased to recognize the accomplishments of these rural community hospitals.”

The top 20 rural community hospital winners are:

- Ascension St. Joseph Hospital    Tawas City, Mich.
- Ascension St. Michael’s Hospital  Stevens Point, Wis.
- Avera St. Mary’s Hospital        Pierre, S.D.
- Bozeman Health Deaconess Hospital Bozeman, Mont.
- Brookings Health System          Brookings, S.D.
- Cedar City Hospital              Cedar City, Utah
- Faith Regional Health Services   Norfolk, Neb.
- Guadalupe County Hospital        Santa Rosa, N.M.
- Ivinson Memorial Hospital        Laramie, Wyo.
- Logansport Memorial Hospital    Logansport, Ind.
- Major Health Partners            Shelbyville, Ind.
About NRHA
The National Rural Health Association is a national nonprofit membership organization with more than 20,000 members. The association’s mission is to provide leadership on rural health issues. NRHA membership consists of a diverse collection of individuals and organizations, all of whom share the common bond of an interest in rural health.

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