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Arkansas Methodist Medical Center Receives Two Quality Awards
AFMC honors excellence in healthcare

PARAGOULD, AR – Arkansas Methodist Medical Center recently received two Quality Awards for their commitment to excellence in healthcare from the Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care (AFMC). The awards were presented during AFMC's 16th Quality Conference, held May 19-20 at the Hot Springs Convention Center. Statewide, 52 facilities and agencies received awards.

Arkansas Methodist Medical Center Home Health Agency received an Innovator Award for sharing its success with improving acute care hospitalization rates with individuals who would not normally be exposed to their quality improvement efforts.

Arkansas Methodist Medical Center also received an Innovator Award for several projects it coordinates in Paragould and surrounding communities, including its Diabetic Clinic. The Diabetic Clinic provides education for patients and a support group for mothers with children who have Type I diabetes.

Greene Acres Nursing Home received an Innovator Award for establishing a Special Needs Unit to provide a quiet living space to minimize agitation in residents with Alzheimer's disease and dementia.

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According to Dr. Nick Paslidis, AFMC's chief executive officer, these healthcare facilities demonstrate a true commitment to improving Arkansans' healthcare.

"The Quality Award winners don't just talk about healthcare quality — they live it every day," Dr. Paslidis said.

A recognized leader, Arkansas Methodist Medical Center in Paragould provides progressive, compassionate healthcare to residents throughout Northeast Arkansas and Southeast Missouri. Additional information about AMMC is available at: www.arkansasmethodist.org.