



POMONA VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER AWARDED ADVANCED CERTIFICATION IN INPATIENT DIABETES CARE FROM THE JOINT COMMISSION

POMONA, Calif. (January 14, 2016) – Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center (PVHMC) today announced that it has earned The Joint Commission’s Gold Seal of Approval® for [Advanced Certification in Inpatient Diabetes Care](#). The Gold Seal of Approval® is a symbol of quality that reflects an organization’s commitment to providing safe and effective patient care.

PVHMC underwent a rigorous on-site review on January 8, 2016. Joint Commission experts evaluated compliance with national disease-specific care standards as well as with inpatient diabetes-specific requirements. Clinical practice guidelines and performance measures were also assessed.

Established in 2006 and awarded for a two-year period, The Joint Commission’s Advanced Certification in Inpatient Diabetes Care is based on the American Diabetes Association’s Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes. The Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes are evidence based and are drafted upon a complete review of current medical literature, double-blind clinical trials and expert opinions. The standards are revised annually and provide a framework to guide clinical practice and recommendations related to:

- Diabetes care in the hospital
- Inpatient blood glucose targets
- Written blood glucose monitoring protocols
- Plans for the treatment of hypoglycemia and hyperglycemia
- Patient education on self-management of diabetes
- An identified program champion or program champion team

“Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center has thoroughly demonstrated a high level of care for patients with diabetes,” said Wendi J. Roberts, RN, Executive Director, Certification Programs, The Joint Commission. “We commend PVHMC for becoming a

leader in inpatient diabetes care, potentially providing a higher standard of service for patients with diabetes in its community.”

“Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center is honored to receive advanced certification from The Joint Commission, the premier health care quality improvement and accrediting body in the nation,” added Hugh Adair, RN In-Patient Diabetes Coordinator at PVHMC. “The certification provides us with the framework to create a culture of excellence for those in our community.”

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The Joint Commission

Founded in 1951, [The Joint Commission](http://www.jointcommission.org) seeks to continuously improve health care for the public, in collaboration with other stakeholders, by evaluating health care organizations and inspiring them to excel in providing safe and effective care of the highest quality and value. The Joint Commission accredits and certifies nearly 21,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States. An independent, nonprofit organization, The Joint Commission is the nation’s oldest and largest standards-setting and accrediting body in health care. Learn more about The Joint Commission at www.jointcommission.org.

Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center

Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center is a 453-bed, acute care, nationally accredited not-for-profit medical center serving eastern Los Angeles and western San Bernardino counties. PVHMC is one of only four hospitals in California to be named a recipient of the Healthgrades Outstanding Patient Experience Award for five consecutive years. This year, PVHMC was recognized by Healthgrades as one of America’s 100 Best Hospitals for Cardiac Surgery, Coronary Interventions and Cardiac Care, and was announced as the only hospital in California to achieve Excellence Awards in Cardiac Surgery, Coronary Interventions and Cardiac Care and three Top 100 designations listed previously. PVHMC also recently received the prestigious Baby-Friendly designation. In 2013, the Hospital was named one of the nation’s Top Performer’s on Key Quality measures for excellence in heart attack, heart failure and pneumonia care by The Joint Commission. The Hospital was also recognized by Thomson Reuters in 2011 as a 50 Top Cardio Vascular Hospital and a four-time recipient of the 100 Top Hospitals in the nation in the past 16 years. For more information, visit: www.pvhmc.org.