

## **Atrium Health Navicent Receives Fifth Magnet Designation for Nursing Excellence** *Hospital is one of just three in Georgia to hold five or more consecutive designations*

**MACON, Ga., Sept. 8, 2025** – Atrium Health Navicent The Medical Center recently attained its fifth Magnet recognition, a testament to the hospital's continued dedication to high-quality nursing practice. The American Nurses Credentialing Center's Magnet Recognition Program® distinguishes health care organizations that meet rigorous standards for nursing excellence. This credential is the highest honor and gold standard for professional nursing practice and excellence.

Receiving Magnet recognition is a great achievement for Atrium Health Navicent as it proudly belongs to the global community of Magnet-recognized organizations. Just 13 Georgia hospitals have achieved Magnet recognition, with three — including Atrium Health Navicent The Medical Center — achieving five or more consecutive designations.

"Magnet recognition is a tremendous honor and reflects our commitment to delivering the highest quality of care to this community," said Atrium Health Navicent Chief Nurse Executive [Tracey Blalock](#). "Our achievement of this credential underscores the foundation of excellence and values that drive our teammates to strive harder each day to meet the health care needs of the people we serve."

Research demonstrates that Magnet recognition provides specific benefits to health care organizations and their communities, such as:

- Higher patient satisfaction with nurse communication, availability of help and receipt of discharge information.
- Lower risk of 30-day mortality and lower failure to rescue rates.
- Higher job satisfaction among nurses.
- Lower nurse reports of intentions to leave their positions.

Atrium Health Navicent nurses engage in knowledge sharing, empowerment, career growth and autonomy in their professional practice immersed in a culture that supports education and development of nurses.

"This Magnet recognition is a reflection of our nurses' daily commitment to providing our community with high-quality health care," said Atrium Health Georgia Market President [Delvecchio Finley](#). "In many ways, nurses are the frontline health care workers whose caring nature, compassion and dedication to healing can make a huge difference in both patient experience and outcomes. Congratulations to our nurses on this much-deserved recognition!"

Atrium Health Navicent Baldwin and Atrium Health Navicent Peach were recognized with the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Pathway to Excellence Program designation in 2024.

### **About Atrium Health Navicent**

Atrium Health Navicent is the leading provider of health care in central and south Georgia and is committed to its mission of elevating health and well-being through compassionate care. Atrium Health Navicent is part of [Advocate Health](#), which is headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina, and is the third-largest nonprofit health system in the United States, created from the combination of Atrium Health and Advocate Aurora Health. Atrium Health Navicent provides high-quality, personalized care in 53 specialties at more than 50 facilities throughout the region. As part of the largest, integrated, nonprofit health system in the Southeast, it is also able to tap into some of the nation's leading medical experts and specialists with Atrium Health, allowing it to provide the best care close to home – including advanced innovations in virtual medicine and care. Throughout its 130-year history in the community, Atrium Health Navicent has remained dedicated to enhancing health and wellness for individuals throughout the region through nationally recognized quality care, community health initiatives and collaborative partnerships. It is also one of the leading teaching hospitals in the region, helping to ensure viability for rural health care for the next generation. For more information, please visit [www.NavicentHealth.org](http://www.NavicentHealth.org).

### **About Advocate Health**

[Advocate Health](#) is the third-largest nonprofit, integrated health system in the United States, created from the combination of Advocate Aurora Health and Atrium Health. Providing care under the names [Advocate Health Care](#) in Illinois; [Atrium Health](#) in the Carolinas, Georgia and Alabama; and [Aurora Health Care](#) in Wisconsin, Advocate Health is a national leader in clinical innovation, health outcomes, consumer experience and value-based care. Headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina, Advocate Health services nearly 6 million patients and is engaged in hundreds of clinical trials and research studies, with [Wake Forest University School of Medicine](#) serving as the academic core of the enterprise. Advocate Health is nationally recognized for its expertise in heart and vascular, neurosciences, oncology, pediatrics and rehabilitation, as well as organ transplants, burn treatments and specialized musculoskeletal programs. Advocate Health employs more than 160,000 teammates across 69 hospitals and over 1,000 care locations, and offers one

of the nation's largest graduate medical education programs with over 2,000 residents and fellows across more than 200 programs. Committed to redefining care for all, Advocate Health provides more than \$6 billion in annual community benefits.

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