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## Southeast Georgia Health System Camden Campus Awarded Third Consecutive 'A' Hospital Safety Grade from Leapfrog Group

BRUNSWICK, Georgia: November 16, 2022 – The Southeast Georgia Health System is pleased to announce that its Camden Campus has once again received an 'A' Hospital Safety Grade from The Leapfrog Group. This national distinction celebrates the Health System's achievements in protecting hospital patients from preventable harm and errors and is the third consecutive 'A' grade for the Camden Campus.

"We are very proud of our Camden Campus team members and their phenomenal commitment to maintain the Leapfrog 'A' safety grade," says Scott Raynes, MBA, MA, president and CEO, Southeast Georgia Health System. "This accomplishment is not the result of a specific group of individuals. Achieving the 'A' safety grade is a collective effort, from the physicians, clinicians and nursing teams to administrative departments, food and nutrition, and environmental services, as well as our volunteers. Each one is deserving of our thanks and congratulations for this achievement."

Glenn Gann, RN, MSN, vice president and administrator, Camden Campus, concurs with Raynes. "Achieving the 'A' grade exemplifies our team members' dedication to our mission to provide safe, quality care to meet the health needs of the communities we serve. I am very proud of our team members and everything they do. This is the hospital that our friends and family come to for care, and we're honored to be recognized for making their health and safety a priority."

The Leapfrog Group is an independent national watchdog organization with a 10-year history of assigning letter grades to general hospitals throughout the United States, based on a hospital's ability to prevent medical errors and harm to patients. The grading system is peer-reviewed, fully transparent and free to the public. Hospital Safety Grade results are based on more than 30 national performance measures and are updated each fall and spring.

"I applaud the hospital leadership and workforce for their strong commitment to safety and transparency," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "An 'A' Safety Grade is a sign that hospitals are continuously evaluating their performance, so that they can best protect patients. Your hospital team should be extremely proud of their dedication and achievement."

To see Southeast Georgia Health System's full grade details and to access patient tips for staying safe in the hospital, visit <a href="HospitalSafetyGrade.org">HospitalSafetyGrade.org</a> and <a href="follow The Leapfrog Group">follow The Leapfrog Group</a> on Twitter, Facebook, and via its newsletter.

## **ABOUT SOUTHEAST GEORGIA HEALTH SYSTEM**

Southeast Georgia Health System is a not-for-profit health system comprised of two acute care hospitals, two long term care facilities, two comprehensive Cancer Care Centers and multiple specialty care centers, including orthopaedic and spine care, joint replacement, breast care, maternity, outpatient rehabilitation, sleep management and wound care. The Brunswick Campus Cancer Care Center is accredited by the American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer and is one of the few centers in Georgia to offer CyberKnife® M6 with MLC. Additionally, the Brunswick Campus is accredited by The Joint Commission as an Advanced Primary Stroke Center and the Camden Campus is accredited as an Acute Stroke Ready Hospital. The Southeast Georgia Physician Associates medical group includes more than 160 providers working in 20 different medical specialties at more than 50 locations. The Health System is part of Coastal Community Health, a regional affiliation between Baptist Health and Southeast Georgia Health System, a highly integrated hospital network focused on significant initiatives designed to enhance the quality and value of care provided to our contiguous communities. For more information, visit sghs.org.

## **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 for patient safety. The flagship Leapfrog Hospital Survey and new Leapfrog Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Survey collect and transparently report hospital and ASC 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. For more, follow us on Twitter and Facebook, and sign up for our newsletter.

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