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HALIFAX REGIONAL RANKS #1 IN NORTH CAROLINA FOR JOINT REPLACEMENT

Roanoke Rapids, NC, March 20, 2013—According to a recent CMS report following new hospital performance measures for total hip and total knee arthroplasty (replacement surgery), Halifax Regional Joint Care Center performance rate for complications was lower than the U.S. national rate outperforming thousands of hospitals across the U.S.

Halifax Regional’s comparative performance was categorized as better than the U.S. National rate for complications rate (adjusted for differences in case mix across hospitals and a hospital-specific effect). Among 3,497 hospitals across the U.S., Halifax Regional performed better than the U.S. National Rate and had the lowest complication rate within North Carolina.

“Halifax Regional is keenly focused on making continued improvements to the quality of care and service we provide to our patients,” said Will Mahone, president, Halifax Regional.

According to the results of a recent CMS report on elective knee and hip replacement surgery, the lower the complication rate, the better the hospital performance. Halifax Regional’s performance is better than the U.S. national rate when it comes to reduced complications occurring within 90 days following elective total hip and/or total knee arthroplasty (replacement surgery).

“Being North Carolina’s highest ranked facility for elective joint replacement is an accomplishment the Joint Care Center at Halifax Regional team is extremely proud. This reflects a strong commitment to improve quality outcomes for our patients,” said lead orthopedic surgeon Dr. Richard Holm.

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About Halifax Regional

Halifax Regional Medical Center is licensed for 204 beds, including psychiatric and nursery. A non-profit organization, Halifax Regional is fully accredited by the Joint Commission. For more information, visit www.halifaxregional.org.