## Abbeville General Awarded 'A' Hospital Safety Grade from Leapfrog Group

**Abbeville**, **LA**, **November 16**, **2022** – Abbeville General received an "A" <u>Hospital</u> <u>Safety Grade</u> from The Leapfrog Group. This national distinction celebrates Abbeville General's achievements in protecting hospital patients from preventable harm and errors.

Michael Bertrand, CEO of Abbeville General, responds to the news, "Earning another 'A' grade from The Leapfrog Group is an exceptional accomplishment. This recognition exemplifies the hard work, continuous effort, and dedication that our hospital's care teams, medical staff, and nurses provide each day. Given the extraordinary circumstances the healthcare industry has undergone over the last few years, we could not be prouder of the hard work and dedication our team provides to our community every day."

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 Abbeville General'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 Abbeville General**

Abbeville General Hospital opened its doors to the citizens of Vermilion Parish and surrounding areas in February 1966 as a community-based, non-profit healthcare

provider. After numerous expansions, renovations, and modernization projects, Abbeville General continues to provide quality healthcare services on the same site that was dedicated to the purpose in 1966. Today, Abbeville General is a 60-bed acute care hospital committed to providing quality healthcare to the community and surrounding areas. The facility is modern, completely equipped, and staffed to provide patients with a full spectrum of modern technology, procedures, and treatments, as well as comprehensive specialized care. Abbeville General is fully licensed and accredited and meets all requirements of the State of Louisiana and the Joint Commission. The mission of Abbeville General is to provide Access to Quality Care Close to Home!

## **About The Leapfrog Group**

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, <u>The Leapfrog Group</u> is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps for patient safety. The flagship <u>Leapfrog Hospital Survey</u> and new <u>Leapfrog Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC)</u> <u>Survey</u> collect and <u>transparently report</u> 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 <u>Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade</u>, 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, <u>follow us on Twitter and Facebook</u>, and sign up for our newsletter.