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American College of Surgeons recognizes RUHS – Medical Center for outstanding surgical care outcomes

RIVERSIDE, CA (Nov. 26, 2025) – Riverside University Health System – Medical Center (RUHS – MC) was recognized for providing exceptional surgical care by the American College of Surgeons (ACS), a nationally renowned professional medical association.

This is the second consecutive year the Medical Center has been recognized for achieving meritorious outcomes for surgical patient care in both of two possible categories: an "All Cases" category and a "High-Risk" category that includes only higher risk cases.

Out of more than 600 participating hospitals, RUHS was one of only 76 that achieved meritorious status, with 51 of those hospitals located in the U.S.

The designation was given by the ACS' National Surgical Quality Improvement Program (NSQIP), a data-driven program that aims to advance surgical quality.

"At RUHS - Medical Center, we strive to see patients heal quickly, get back to their lives and families and experience improved quality of life," said Dr. Raul Coimbra, RUHS-MC Surgeon-in-Chief. "This award reflects the incredible commitment of the Medical Center to high-level care for surgical patients in Riverside County and beyond."

As part of the program, hospitals track outcomes of inpatient and outpatient surgical procedures and send the results to the ACS to be analyzed.

The ACS then uses two different formulas to develop composite scores for the All Cases and High-Risk categories, taking into account eight different clinical areas: mortality, cardiac events, pneumonia, unplanned intubation, being on a ventilator for more than 48 hours, renal failure, surgical site infections and urinary tract infections.

For more information on the ACS National Surgical Quality Improvement Program, and to see the list of hospitals recognized, [visit this link](#).

For more information on RUHS surgical care, visit www.ruhealth.org/surgeries.

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About Riverside University Health System

Riverside University Health System (RUHS) includes a 439-bed Medical Center in Moreno Valley, Calif., 14 Federally Qualified Community Health Centers, and the departments of Public Health and Behavioral Health. RUHS is Riverside County's safety net provider, offering high-quality, patient-centered care. With more than 8,000 staff members and over 125 years of experience, RUHS continues its commitment to and legacy of delivering exceptional, compassionate care with a focus on public health, behavioral health, community wellness, and medical education. Visit ruhealth.org to learn more.