Tahoe Forest Hospital Receives the 2017 Women’s Choice Award® as one of America’s Best Hospitals for Obstetrics

Truckee, California, January 10, 2017 – Tahoe Forest Hospital has been named as one of America’s Best Hospitals for Obstetrics by the Women’s Choice Award®, America's trusted referral source for the best in healthcare. The award signifies that Tahoe Forest Hospital is in the top 17% of 2,815 U.S. hospitals offering obstetrics.

The methodology for America’s Best Hospital for Obstetrics Award is unique in that it combines national accreditations, Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) survey results and hospital outcome scores with primary research about women’s healthcare preferences. It is the only award recognizing excellence in obstetric services based on robust criteria that consider patient satisfaction and clinical excellence.

The America’s Best Hospitals for Obstetrics distinction is based on the following specific criteria:

- The percentage of patients reporting through the HCAHPS survey that they would definitely recommend the hospital.
- Patient safety ranking based on 11 Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services’ measures of infection and complication rates.
- Presence of a level III or level IV neonatal intensive care unit onsite (NICU).
- Low rates of early elective deliveries (between 0-1%).
• Baby-Friendly USA designation, a World Health Organization (WHO)/United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) initiative to support best practices for breast feeding education and counseling

“Pregnancy is one of the most special times in a woman’s life,” said Delia Passi founder and CEO of the Women’s Choice Award. “Our award gives a woman the confidence that her choice of a hospital for her delivery will be the best in terms of quality care and patient safety for her and her baby. As the trend of women waiting longer to start their families continues, having the Women’s Choice Award seal is especially important for older moms who face increased risk and need a top hospital to provide her care.”

Tahoe Forest Hospital is one of 484 award recipients representing the hospitals that have met the highest standards for obstetrics across the U.S.

“Our wonderful medical staff and hospital staff at the Joseph Family Center for Women and Newborn Care work hard to deliver excellent care—and to take exceptional care of moms, babies and families in our community,” said Harry Weis, Chief Executive Officer, Tahoe Forest Health System. “They truly care about their patients, and this award is a great recognition of their skill and effectiveness.”

For more information on the America’s Best Hospitals for Obstetrics visit https://www.womenschoiceaward.com/awarded/healthcare/

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ABOUT TAHOE FOREST HEALTH SYSTEM
Tahoe Forest Health System, with locations in Truckee, CA, and Incline Village, NV, offers 24-hour emergency care, a total joint orthopedic program including direct anterior hip replacement surgery, physician multi-specialty clinics, OB department, and CoC-accredited cancer center. With a strong focus on high quality patient care, community collaboration, clinical excellence and innovation, Tahoe Forest Health System is a UC Davis Rural Center of Excellence. For a complete list of physician specialties and services, visit www.tfhd.com.

ABOUT THE WOMEN’S CHOICE AWARD®
The Women’s Choice Award® is a trusted referral source, empowering women to make smart healthcare choices by identifying the country’s best healthcare institutions based on robust criteria that consider female patient satisfaction and clinical excellence. The Women’s Choice Award was recently honored by the INC 5000 List of America’s Fastest-Growing Private Companies in 2016 for a second consecutive year. Visit http://www.womenschoiceaward.com/ to learn more.