



## **Brotman Medical Center Achieves Healthgrades 2011 Critical Care Excellence Award**

*Los Angeles hospital awarded*

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CULVER CITY, Calif./EWorldWire/Nov. 2, 2012 --- Brotman Medical Center, serving Culver City and the West Los Angeles area since 1924, received a 5-star designation for Critical Care from Healthgrades, the leading provider of information to help consumers make informed decisions when evaluating physicians or hospitals for their medical services.

The rating positions Brotman Medical Center among the top ten percent of thousands of acute care hospitals nationwide. Brotman Medical Center provides comprehensive inpatient, outpatient, and emergency care for the residents of Culver City, and the West Los Angeles and surrounding areas. Specialties range from top medical services in emergency/urgent care, wound care, pulmonary medicine, neurology, stroke care, geriatrics, radiology, and orthopedics among many others. Brotman Medical Center is committed to three standards for care - quality, compassion and efficiency, to deliver beyond the acceptable standards of conventional healthcare.

Part of the American Hospital Quality Outcomes 2012: Healthgrades Report to the Nation, Healthgrades evaluated dozens of the most common conditions and procedures. The Healthgrades' analysis independently measures hospitals, based solely on clinical performance and on the data hospitals submit to the federal government in connection with the Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) initiative from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Hospitals cannot request to be included or excluded from the analysis, and hospitals cannot pay to be measured. Mortality and complication rates are risk adjusted, to account for each hospital's unique population.

The Healthgrades report shows that quality varies among American hospitals, with data affirming that patients treated at 5-star hospitals are 61% less likely to experience a major in-hospital complication compared to 1-star hospitals across a range of common procedures, from spine surgery, to cardiac care and gynecologic surgery.

The American Hospital Quality Outcomes 2012: Healthgrades Report to the Nation including the complete study methodology can be found at <http://www.Healthgrades.com>.

Healthgrades 2011 Critical Care Excellence Award(TM)

The Critical Care Excellence Award recognizes hospitals for superior outcomes for treating four life-threatening conditions. These hospitals are in the top 10% in Healthgrades ratings for treating pulmonary embolism (blood clot in the lung), respiratory system failure, sepsis (serious infection), and diabetic acidosis and coma (complication of diabetes). Risk of complications - even death - can be significantly lower at the top hospitals for critical care.

About Brotman Medical Center (<http://www.brotmanmedicalcenter.com>)

Since 1924, Brotman Medical Center has dedicated itself to providing quality care to the Culver City and West Los Angeles communities. With a mission is to deliver innovative, quality health care to our patients and their families in an environment of compassion, respect, patient safety, education, and fiscal responsibility, the Center has grown to over 420 beds and expanded to deliver a broad range of specialty inpatient and outpatient services, encompassing rehabilitation, psychiatric care and chemical dependency care. A 24-hour emergency room is staffed by board-certified emergency physicians and nurse specialists, and nearly 800 full and part-time employees support world class patient care facilities.

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