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**LIFPOINT HEALTH NAMED RECIPIENT OF
2017 JOHN M. EISENBERG AWARD FOR INNOVATION IN PATIENT SAFETY**
Company recognized for National Quality Program in which Providence Health participates

Columbia, SC– LifePoint Health® (NASDAQ: LPNT), of which Providence Health is a part, has been named the recipient of the 2017 [John M. Eisenberg Award for Innovation in Patient Safety at the Local Level](#). Presented annually by [The Joint Commission](#) and the [National Quality Forum](#) (NQF), the prestigious Eisenberg Awards acknowledge major achievements in healthcare quality and patient safety.

The first investor-owned health system to earn an Eisenberg Award, LifePoint is being recognized for its National Quality Program, a structured process for ensuring consistent, high standards of quality and patient safety. Created in partnership with Duke University Health System, this program has led to significant enhancements across the LifePoint network, including a more than 60 percent improvement in aggregate patient safety. Providence Health is enrolled and actively participating in this program.

“We are so proud to be part of an organization like LifePoint that is deeply committed to providing high quality care and ensuring the safety of all patients,” said Scott Campbell, Market Chief Executive Officer of Providence Health. “Through the National Quality Program, our team has worked closely with Duke and LifePoint quality coaches to further strengthen our culture of safety, continuously work to improve care and enhance the patient experience for those we serve.”

The LifePoint National Quality Program is a data-driven program implemented in LifePoint’s facilities across the nation. Rooted in patient-centeredness, the program is focused on leadership that empowers people, proven systems of performance improvement, and a culture of safety. This initiative has helped create a highly reliable culture of safety and drive enhancements across the LifePoint system, including a 62 percent improvement in aggregate patient safety compared to the company’s 2010 baseline and 12 months of zero central-line infections at 73 percent of its hospitals. Additionally, from 2010 to 2017, hospital-acquired infections at LifePoint hospitals’ decreased by 78 percent for urinary tract infections, 58 percent for sepsis infection, and 73 percent for pneumonia.

“The LifePoint National Quality Program has established at the hospital and system level an ongoing, measurable approach to driving sustainable improvements in patient safety, quality and patient experience,” said Rusty Holman, MD, chief medical officer for LifePoint Health. “Because of the diverse hospitals within the LifePoint system, this program offers many lessons for how healthcare facilities of all types and sizes serving a

variety of patient populations can operationalize quality, create a national learning laboratory, and engineer a sustainable culture of safety.”

The Eisenberg Awards, launched in 2002, honor the late John M. Eisenberg, MD, MBA, former administrator of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ). Each year, Eisenberg Awards honor those making strides in innovating patient safety and quality at the individual level, local level and national level. The John M. Eisenberg Awards were presented at NQF's Annual Conference in Washington, DC, on March 12, 2018, and will be featured in the July 2018 issue of [*The Joint Commission Journal on Quality and Patient Safety*](#).

For more information, please visit <http://www.lifepointhealth.net/news>.

About Providence Health: Founded in 1938 by the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine, and purchased by LifePoint Health, Providence Health is known statewide for outstanding clinical quality and compassionate care. Providence Health operates two hospitals, twenty physician practices, a school of cardiac diagnostics and an accredited chest pain center, as well as a network of rehabilitation centers, sleep centers, imaging services and diagnostics labs. In total, Providence employs more than 1,600 staff members dedicated to the mission of *Making Communities Healthy by Extending Christ's Healing Ministry*. The U.S. News & World Report has identified it as one of South Carolina's Best Hospitals. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has awarded Providence Health a 4-star rating reflecting high quality patient experience. The Providence open heart surgery program has consistently ranked in the top 15 percent of open heart programs in the nation. Both orthopedics and cardiac services have received the South Carolina BlueCross BlueShield Blue Distinction Center designation. For more information, visit YourProvidenceHealth.com.

About LifePoint Health: LifePoint Health® (NASDAQ: LPNT) is a leading healthcare company dedicated to Making Communities Healthier®. Through its subsidiaries, it provides quality inpatient, outpatient and post-acute services close to home. LifePoint owns and operates community hospitals, regional health systems, physician practices, outpatient centers and post-acute facilities in 22 states. It is the sole community healthcare provider in the majority of the non-urban communities it serves. More information about the company can be found at www.LifePointHealth.net. All references to "LifePoint," "LifePoint Health" or the "Company" used in this release refer to affiliates or subsidiaries of LifePoint Health, Inc.

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