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**Hoag Recognized for Patient Safety, Heart Care and Obstetrics  
by *Women's Choice Award*<sup>®</sup>**

**NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., January 22, 2016** --- Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian today announced it has received the 2016 [Women's Choice Award](#)<sup>®</sup> as one of [America's Best Hospitals for Patient Safety, Heart Care, and Obstetrics](#).

This is the third consecutive year (2014 - 2016) that Hoag has received these awards in Heart Care and Obstetrics, and the second consecutive year (2015 - 2016) for Patient Safety.

This evidence-based designation is the only award that identifies the country's best health care institutions based on robust criteria that consider female patient satisfaction, clinical excellence, and what women say they want from a hospital.

"Hoag is proud to continue to be recognized as one of America's Best Hospitals for Patient Safety, Heart Care and Obstetrics by *Women's Choice Awards*," said Robert T. Braithwaite, president and CEO of Hoag. "These awards validate our vision and are a badge of honor for our physicians, nurses and staff who have been dedicated to providing a combination of world-class innovation and community-based compassion to the communities we serve."

"It is always an honor to receive such a prestigious award," said Allyson Brooks, M.D., Chief Quality Officer and the Ginny Ueberroth Executive Medical Director Endowed Chair of the Women's Health Institute at Hoag. "But in this particular case, what's even more rewarding is the fact that the recognition is based in part on feedback from our female patients. Caring for them, and touching their lives in meaningful ways, is a profound privilege and an incredible source of pride for all of us at Hoag."

The America's Best Hospitals scoring process is unique in that it is the only national list that is evidence-based and focuses on female patient satisfaction. Awarded hospitals ranked above the national average for patient recommendations, as indicated by the data reported by the U.S.



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Department of Health and Human Services in [Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems](#) (HCAHPS) surveys.

“We honor Hoag for being named and recognized as a hospital of choice among women, for it represents the strongest and most important consumer message in today’s health care marketplace when considering that women account for 90% of all health care decisions. Improving patient safety is not only a matter of error prevention, it’s a focused effort to create the safest patient experience,” said Delia Passi, Founder and CEO of the Women’s Choice Award.

#### **ABOUT HOAG MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PRESBYTERIAN**

Hoag is an approximately \$1 billion nonprofit, regional health care delivery network in Orange County, California, that treats more than 25,000 inpatients and 369,000 outpatients annually. Hoag consists of two acute-care hospitals – Hoag Hospital Newport Beach, which opened in 1952, and Hoag Hospital Irvine, which opened in 2010 – in addition to six health centers and eight urgent care centers. Hoag is a designated Magnet<sup>®</sup> hospital by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). Hoag offers a comprehensive blend of health care services that includes five institutes providing specialized services in the following areas: [cancer](#), [heart and vascular](#), [neurosciences](#), [women’s health](#), and orthopedics through Hoag’s affiliate, [Hoag Orthopedic Institute](#), which consists of an orthopedic hospital and two ambulatory surgical centers. In 2013, Hoag entered into an alliance with St. Joseph Health to further expand health care services in the Orange County community, known as St. Joseph Hoag Health. Hoag has been named one of the Best Regional Hospitals in the U.S. News & World Report Metro Edition. National Research Corporation has endorsed Hoag as Orange County’s most preferred hospital for the past 20 consecutive years and, for an unprecedented 20 years, residents of Orange County have chosen Hoag as one of the county’s best hospitals in a local newspaper survey. Visit [www.hoag.org](http://www.hoag.org) for more information.

#### **ABOUT THE WOMEN’S CHOICE AWARD<sup>®</sup>**

The Women’s Choice Award<sup>®</sup> sets the standard for helping women make smart choices through education, empowerment, and validation. Awards are determined by evidence-based research and identify the brands, products and services most recommended and trusted by women. Visit [www.WomensChoiceAward.com](http://www.WomensChoiceAward.com) to learn more.