

**Baylor Jack and Jane Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital honored
with Mission: Lifeline achievement awards**

Dallas, Texas, June 15, 2017 -- Baylor Jack and Jane Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital has received the Mission: Lifeline® Gold Receiving Quality Achievement Award for implementing specific quality improvement measures outlined by the American Heart Association for the treatment of patients who suffer severe heart attacks.

Every year, more than 250,000 people experience an ST elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI) the deadliest type of heart attack caused by a blockage of blood flow to the heart that requires timely treatment. To prevent death, it's critical to restore blood flow as quickly as possible, either by mechanically opening the blocked vessel or by providing clot-busting medication.

The American Heart Association's Mission: Lifeline program's goal is to reduce system barriers to prompt treatment for heart attacks, beginning with the 9-1-1 call and continuing through hospital treatment. Baylor Jack and Jane Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital is recognized for having a 85% composite adherence and at least 24 consecutive months of 75% or higher compliance on all Mission: Lifeline STEMI Receiving Center quality measures to improve the quality of care for STEMI patients.

"Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital's entire team is dedicated to improving the quality of care for our patients who suffer a heart attack, and the American Heart Association's Mission: Lifeline program is helping us accomplish that goal through nationally respected clinical guidelines," said Nancy Vish, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, Hospital President. "We are pleased to be recognized for our dedication and achievements in cardiac care, and I am very proud of our team."

"We commend Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital for this achievement award, which reflects a significant institutional commitment to the highest quality of care for their heart attack patients," said James G. Jollis, MD, Chair of the Mission: Lifeline Advisory Working Group. "Achieving this award means the hospital has met specific reporting and achievement measures for the treatment of their patients who suffer heart attacks and we applaud them for their commitment to quality and timely care."

Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital earned the award by meeting specific criteria and standards of performance for the quick and appropriate treatment of STEMI patients by providing emergency procedures to re-establish blood flow to blocked arteries when needed.

In addition, the American Heart Association recognized the hospital for achieving 85% or higher composite adherence to all Mission: Lifeline® NSTEMI Performance Achievement indicators for consecutive 12-month intervals and 65% adherence to Dual Antiplatelet prescription at discharge to improve the quality of care for NSTEMI patients.

For both areas of achievement, eligible hospitals must have adhered to these measures at a set level for 12 consecutive months to receive this award.

More than 987 hospitals and approximately 1,158 EMS agencies participate in the Mission: Lifeline program. 2017 marks the 10th Anniversary for the AHA's Mission Lifeline program. The hospital will receive recognition at the November 2017 American Heart Association's Scientific Session Recognition Event for these two categories.

About Baylor Jack and Jane Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital

Founded in a tradition of research and innovation, Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital† opened in 2002 as the region's first and only dedicated hospital to heart and vascular care. Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital is located on the main campus of Baylor University Medical Center at Dallas with services also available at Baylor Scott & White All Saints Medical Center – Fort Worth. With more than 34,000 patient registrations annually, a broad array of advanced cardiac interventional procedures and vascular surgeries are available, as well as diagnostic imaging and cardiac rehabilitative services. Programs on wellness and prevention are offered for the community. For more information about Baylor Hamilton Heart and Vascular Hospital, visit: www.BaylorHeartHospital.com

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† Joint ownership with physicians.

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** Based on unaudited 2016 fiscal year statements

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About Mission: Lifeline

The American Heart Association's Mission: Lifeline program helps hospitals and emergency medical services develop systems of care that follow proven standards and procedures for STEMI patients. The program works by mobilizing teams across the continuum of care to implement American Heart Association/American College of Cardiology Foundation clinical treatment guidelines. For more information, visit heart.org.



The American Heart Association recognizes this hospital for achieving 85% or higher composite adherence to all Mission: Lifeline® STEMI Receiving Center Performance Achievement indicators for consecutive 24-month intervals, 75% or higher compliance on all Mission: Lifeline® STEMI Receiving Center quality measures, and First-Door-to-Device time of 120 minutes or less for transfers, to improve the quality of care for STEMI patients.