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Crenshaw Community Hospital Receives 4 Out of 5 Stars by Hospital Compare in the National Rating

Crenshaw Community Hospital is extremely proud to share the Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating Results from December 2017 published by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) on Hospital Compare. The star ratings on the *Hospital Compare* website helps millions of patients and their families learn about the quality of hospitals, compare facilities in their area side -by-side, and ask important questions about care quality when visiting a hospital or other health care provider.

A star rating is categorized as one to five whole stars. A greater number of stars indicate better performance. Crenshaw Community Hospital scored 4 out of 5 stars in the National Average rating with a 95% confidence for performance. A summary score is used to determine the star rating category and is calculated from each hospital's measure group scores. A higher summary score indicates better performance.

CMS's Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating on *Hospital Compare* was first displayed in July 2016, and updates on ratings are released twice a year, in July and December. CMS has a commitment to working with stakeholders in a transparent manner to evaluate and update the Overall Star Rating. As a proven healthcare consumer tool, the Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating summarizes data from existing measures on *Hospital Compare* for each hospital to allow its users to easily compare hospital facilities and performance summary scores. A complete list of measures included in this star rating is provided in the *Overall Hospital Quality Star Rating Methodology Report* available on *QualityNet*.

Crenshaw Community Hospital offers improved access to **high-quality** healthcare services and looks forward to serving the local community in 2018. The updated hospital quality star ratings system will help families in Luverne and the surrounding communities to easily compare the online hospital data. If you have any additional questions relating to the inpatient or outpatient services provided by the hospital, please contact Bonnie Trotter, Director of Patients, at 334.335.1213.