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Memorial Health’s Level 1 Trauma Center Recognized by American College of Surgeons

Savannah, GA (September 14, 2023) – Memorial Health University Medical Center has earned verification as a Level 1 trauma center by the American College of Surgeons (ACS). This verification means Memorial Health’s Level 1 trauma center provides the highest level of trauma care based on national ACS standards. Memorial Health completed the rigorous ACS survey in June and has now earned verification for a three-year period.

“This recognition demonstrates that our trauma team is providing the very highest level of care for critically injured patients,” said James Dunne, MD, Chief of Trauma Services at Memorial Health. “On behalf of our entire trauma team, we are proud to have earned this prestigious verification from the American College of Surgeons.”

The mission of the ACS verification program is to “create national guidelines for the purpose of optimizing trauma care in the United States.” The ACS has established a comprehensive list of standards that are necessary in order to earn verification. Level 1 trauma centers are required to have trauma surgeons and clinical specialties available around the clock.

Memorial Health established its trauma program in 1981 and has the only Level 1 trauma center in southeast Georgia and one of only five (5) in the entire state. The trauma center serves patients in a 28-county region throughout Georgia and South Carolina.

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Memorial Health has provided quality healthcare services since 1955, giving patients access to highly trained physicians and advanced technology. Our 711-bed hospital is one of the region's leading acute care facilities, serving 35 counties in southeast Georgia and southern South Carolina. Located in Savannah, Georgia, we are a regional referral center for heart care, cancer care, trauma care, children's care, high-risk pregnancies and high-risk newborn care. Our hospital includes the region's only Level 1 trauma center, the Memorial Health Dwaine & Cynthia Willett Children's Hospital of Savannah, a primary and specialty care physician network and Consult-A-Nurse®, our 24-hour call center. We also have a major medical education program that trains physicians in numerous specialties and our campus is home to the Savannah Campus of Mercer University School of Medicine.

