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Western Missouri Medical Center Receives National Accreditation for Total Knee and Total Hip Replacement



Warrensburg, MO (Dec. 22, 2015)—Western Missouri Medical Center (WMMC) has earned the Gold Seal of Approval® from The Joint Commission (TJC) for its Total Hip and Total Knee Replacement Program. The Gold Seal of Approval® is a symbol of quality that reflects an organization's commitment to providing safe and effective patient care.

WMMC underwent a rigorous on-site review to receive the Joint Replacement – Hip and the Joint Replacement – Knee certifications. TJC experts evaluated WMMC's compliance with national disease-specific care standards as well as hip and knee replacement-specific requirements. Clinical practice guidelines and performance measures were also assessed. TJC's certifications evaluate clinical programs in three core areas: compliance with consensus-based national standards, effective use of evidence-based clinical practice guidelines to manage and optimize care and an organized approach to performance measurement and improvement activities.

"WMMC is thrilled to receive TJC's Gold Seal of Approval®," says Darinda Reberry, Interim President/CEO. "This national certification honors the dedication of our physicians and staff to providing quality orthopedic care to our greater community."

"WMMC has thoroughly demonstrated a high level of care for patients in need of hip or knee replacement," says Wendi J. Roberts, RN, Executive Director, Certification Programs, TJC. "We commend WMMC for becoming a leader in bone and joint care, potentially providing a higher standard of service for orthopedic patients in its community."

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Western Missouri Medical Center offers a variety of orthopedic services including partial, total and revision joint replacement, minimally invasive arthroscopic surgeries, sports-related injury treatment and arthritis treatment.

To schedule an appointment with one of our orthopedic providers, please call Western Missouri Bone and Joint at (660) 747-2228 or visit WMMC.com to learn more.

[Western Missouri Medical Center](http://www.wmmc.com) (WMMC) is a fully-accredited acute care county medical center located in Warrensburg, MO. WMMC prides itself in emergency care, obstetrics, orthopedic and general surgery, family healthcare, internal medicine, outpatient clinics, ambulatory care, rehabilitation services and more. Inpatient services include medical, surgical, intensive, obstetrical, orthopedic, pediatric and skilled nursing care, as well as a wide range of therapeutic and diagnostic outpatient services. This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer. Learn more about WMMC at www.wmmc.com.

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