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WMC named Blue Distinction Center® for Knee and Hip Replacement

FRANKLIN, TENN. – Williamson Medical Center has been named a Blue Distinction Center for Knee and Hip Replacement by BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee. Facilities earning Blue Distinction status demonstrate an expertise in quality care, resulting in better overall outcomes for patients.

Surgeons perform approximately 500 knee and hip replacements each year at Williamson Medical Center, which met clinical measures developed with input from expert physicians and medical organizations in order to receive Blue Distinction status.

“This distinction illustrates our commitment to patient safety and reinforces the elite status Williamson Medical Center enjoys regarding orthopaedic surgery,” says Ricky Yates, R.N., director of surgery. “We have world-class surgeons practicing at WMC, and we continually evaluate our processes and procedures to ensure the best outcomes.”

Designation as a Blue Distinction Center for Knee and Hip Replacement resulted from evaluation of Medical Center services, experience of program surgeons, quality management programs, clinical pathways and patient education. While the Blue Distinction program has been in place for several years, Williamson Medical Center is part of the inaugural class for the Blue Distinction Center for Knee and Hip Replacement.

Williamson Medical Center, a 185-bed hospital fully accredited by The Joint Commission, provides comprehensive inpatient and outpatient care including emergency services, with credentialed physicians in 53 specialties and sub-specialties. The community-focused hospital offers a wide range of wellness services, screenings and classes. For more information about Williamson Medical Center, visit www.williamsonmedicalcenter.org.

Note: Designation as Blue Distinction Centers® means Williamson Medical Center’s overall experience and aggregate data met objective criteria established in collaboration with expert clinicians’ and leading professional organizations’ recommendations. Individual outcomes may vary. To find out which services are covered under your policy at any facility, please call your local Blue Cross and/or Blue Shield Plan.