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Braden Health says certification for nearby hospital important

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BROWNSVILLE, Tenn.–The hospital company that plans to reopen Haywood Park Hospital as early as this fall, has been awarded a certification that its spokesman says reflects its dedication to quality healthcare.

Braden Health issued a news release yesterday saying that the hospital it operates in Lexington, Tennessee has been awarded the ISO 9001 Quality Management System certification.

According to the release, ISO 9001 is the most widely accepted quality management system in the world and is “quickly gaining acceptance among US healthcare providers as a foundation for their quality and patient safety programs.”

According to the release, “Businesses that implement ISO do so for both the internal and external benefits...Externally, it tells the public, as well as insurers and regulatory agencies, that the hospital is not only talking about quality, but it is pursuing it...”

Braden is scheduled to go before state licensing leaders next week testifying about its application for a Certificate of Need for Haywood Park Hospital. The goal, the hospital company says, is to open in October.