## **Inpatient Rehabilitation Center in Top 10 Percent**

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The Tulane Inpatient Rehabilitation Center, located at Tulane-Lakeside Hospital in Metairie, La., has ranked in the top 10 percent of inpatient rehabilitation facilities nationally.

The center was one of 805 facilities that qualified to be ranked in the database of Uniform Data System for Medical Rehabilitation in 2009.

"This recognition is the culmination of a team effort and a culture of patient service. The result is not only this recognition but also the best possible outcomes for our patients," said Dr. Bob Lynch, CEO of <u>Tulane Medical Center</u>.

The goal of the "report card" is to recognize high-performing facilities for their delivery of quality patient care that is effective, efficient, timely and patient-centered.

"We are pleased to present this award to <u>Tulane Inpatient Rehabilitation Center</u> in recognition of the excellent care it provides to its patients," said Dr. Sam Markello, associate director of Uniform Data System for Medical Rehabilitation. "As the creator and caretaker of the nation's largest database of rehabilitation outcomes, and with 20 years of experience and data, we have long worked with the industry to establish best practices. We look forward to working with the Tulane Inpatient Rehabilitation Center and the other top-performing facilities across the country that rank in the top 10 percent to improve care in all inpatient rehabilitation facilities."

The "report card" was developed as part of a proactive solution to the Institute of Medicine's 2006 recommendation to Congress that every Medicare provider be reimbursed on a pay-for-performance basis. The data used for this report was based on 12 months of 2009 data, drawn from both Medicare and non-Medicare patients.

"I am very excited that the Tulane Rehabilitation Center has been recognized for all of the good things that happen here," said Dr. Gregory Stewart, medical director.

"This is a tribute to the har	d work done by	the nurses, the	rapists and supp	ort staff."