



iVantage Health Analytics Celebrates National Rural Health Day with Performance Excellence Awards for Rural Facilities Nationwide

Portland ME, November 17, 2016 – [iVantage Health Analytics](#) (iVantage), a leading provider of performance management analytic tools for hospitals and health systems, announced today on [National Rural Health Day](#), the results of its analysis of rural hospital performance for the National Organization of State Office of Rural Health (NOSORH) Performance Excellence Awards.

The results have been determined through the Hospital Strength INDEX, the industry’s most objective and comprehensive assessment of rural hospital performance. In partnership with NOSORH, iVantage Health Analytics has developed this data-driven program to identify excellence across a broad spectrum of indicators relevant to hospital performance and patient care. [The recognized facilities](#) reached top quartile performance status in Quality, Outcomes, Patient Satisfaction, and Financial Strength.

iVantage is a subsidiary of the Chartis Group, which recently formed the Chartis Center for Rural Health to bring together the tools and extensive research of iVantage and the leading edge thought leadership of Chartis’ consulting practices to serve the needs of rural healthcare. “National Rural Health Day gives us the opportunity to ‘celebrate the power of rural,’ along with state offices and rural communities across the country, said Michael Topchik, National Leader of the Chartis Center for Rural Health. “The 2016 Performance Excellence Award recipients demonstrate stronger overall performance on the Hospital Strength INDEX than their rural peers across the country, scoring nearly 15 points above the national median.”

Nearly 1,300 rural hospitals have been recognized in one or more categories of performance. Of these, 40% are in the Midwest and an additional 22% are in the Southeast. The Southwest and Northwest each represent 16% of all award recipients while the remaining 6% are in the Northeast. Over one hundred rural hospitals are recognized in three award categories, with 28 providers recognized for top performance across all four areas.

About iVantage Health Analytics

iVantage Health Analytics (iVantage) is a leading provider of healthcare analytic and performance management analytic tools. Health system and hospital leadership teams across the country rely on the company’s software and services to deliver customized

insights on clinical and financial performance, strategic planning, market assessment and payment optimization. iVantage is part of The Chartis Group, a national advisory services firm dedicated to the healthcare industry. The Chartis Center for Rural Health (CCRH) was formed in 2016 to offer tailored services, performance management solutions, research and education to rural hospitals and facilities. [Learn more at Chartisrural.com](http://Chartisrural.com).

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