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Cannon's Laboratory Receives Accreditation from The College of American Pathologists

Pickens, SC- Cannon Memorial Hospital's Laboratory recently received accreditation from The College of American Pathologists (CAP). The accreditation process is an internationally recognized program and the only one of its kind that utilizes teams of practicing laboratory professionals as inspectors. Designed to go well beyond regulatory compliance, the program helps laboratories achieve the highest standards of excellence to positively impact patient care. "The CAP accreditation is a greater exchange of information and ideas and the standards that we follow are beneficial to both the patient and the lab. CAP is considered the gold standard in lab accreditations," said Marti Ward, Director of Lab Services at Cannon

The goal of the CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program is to improve patient safety by advancing the quality of pathology and laboratory services through education, standard setting, and ensuring laboratories meet or exceed regulatory requirements. Upon successful completion of the inspection process, the laboratory is awarded CAP accreditation and becomes part of an exclusive group of more than 6,000 laboratories worldwide that have met the highest standards of excellence. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has granted the CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program deeming authority.