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Covenant HealthCare Systems Laboratories Receive Accreditation from College of American Pathologists

Covenant HealthCare Systems Laboratories (with locations at Houghton and Mackinaw) in Saginaw, MI, have been awarded accreditation by the Accreditations Committee of the College of American Pathologists (CAP), based on the results of a recent onsite inspection.

The laboratory director, Nicholas J. Hruby, MD, was advised of this national recognition and congratulated for the excellence of the services being provided. Covenant HealthCare Systems laboratories are one of more than 7,000 CAP-accredited laboratories worldwide.

The CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program, begun in the early 1960s, is recognized by the federal government as being equal or more stringent than the government's own inspection program.

During the CAP accreditation process, inspectors examine the laboratories' records and quality control of procedures for the preceding two years. CAP inspectors also examine laboratory staff qualifications, as well as the laboratory equipment, facilities, safety program and record, in addition to the overall management of the lab. This stringent program is designed to specifically ensure the highest standard of care for all laboratory patients.

About the College of American Pathologists

The College of American Pathologists is a medical society that serves more than 17,000 physician members and the laboratory community throughout the world. It is the world's largest association composed exclusively of Board-certified pathologist and is widely considered the leader in laboratory quality assurance. The College is an advocate for high-quality and cost-effective patient care. More information about the College can be found at www.cap.org or contact Sue Masaracchia-Roberts at 1.800.323.4040 ext 7319.

About Covenant HealthCare

Covenant HealthCare, the sixth largest hospital in Michigan, offers high quality comprehensive medical services to people in 20 counties throughout East Central Michigan and is dedicated to providing extraordinary care for every generation.