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GULF COAST MEDICAL CENTER Earns ACR Accreditation for Nuclear Medicine

Port Richey, Fla., February 21, 2017, GULF COAST MEDICAL CENTER's Diagnostic Department has once again been awarded a three-year term of accreditation in nuclear medicine as the result of a recent review by the American College of Radiology (ACR). Nuclear Medicine is a division of medical imaging which utilizes small doses of radioactive material to diagnose and determine the severity of or to treat a variety of diseases, including certain cancers, heart disease, gastrointestinal, endocrine, neurological disorders and other abnormalities of the body.

The ACR gold seal of accreditation represents the highest level of image quality and patient safety. It is awarded only to facilities meeting ACR Practice Guidelines and Technical Standards after a peer-review evaluation by board-certified physicians and medical physicists who are experts in the field. Image quality, personnel qualifications, adequacy of facility equipment, quality control procedures, and quality assurance programs are assessed. The findings are reported to the ACR Committee on Accreditation, which subsequently provides the practice with a comprehensive report they can use for continuous practice improvement.

The ACR is a national professional organization serving more than 36,000 diagnostic/interventional radiologists, radiation oncologists, nuclear medicine physicians, and medical physicists with programs focusing on the practice of medical imaging and radiation oncology and the delivery of comprehensive health care services.

"We are extremely proud that our nuclear department has once again earned the accreditation due to the hard work and dedication of our staff," stated Medical Director, Steven Strobbe, DO.

With two locations in Port Richey, Fla., one in Hudson and one in Spring Hill, Fla., privately-owned Gulf Coast Medical Center is a leader in out-patient multi-specialty medical services. Serving the West Pasco area since 1982, The Joint Commission, ACR and COLA accredited and NCQA recognized facilities combine comfort with technology to offer patients an exceptional medical experience.

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