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AnMed Health Earns Blue Distinction Centers Designation for Cardiac Care

(Anderson, S.C. – April 16, 2019) - Blue Cross Blue Shield has recognized AnMed Health with a Blue Distinction Centers for Cardiac Care designation, as part of the Blue Distinction Specialty Care program. Blue Distinction Centers are nationally designated providers that show expertise in delivering improved patient safety and better health outcomes, based on objective measures that were developed with input from the medical community and leading accreditation and quality organizations.

“AnMed Health is honored that Anderson area residents rely on our experts for outstanding cardiac care,” said Kathy Deloplaine, assistant vice president of cardiovascular service. “This designation confirms our commitment to provide our patients with top-notch services to improve and extend their quality of life.”

To receive a Blue Distinction Centers designation, AnMed Health demonstrated expertise in delivering safe and effective cardiac care, focusing on areas such as cardiac valve surgery and coronary artery bypass graft (CABG).

Hospitals recognized with the designation are assessed using a combination of quality information supplied by hospitals, third-party data registries, and cost measures derived from Blue Cross and Blue Shield companies’ medical claims.

According to the American Heart Association (AHA), cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death globally and is expected to claim more than 23.6 million lives annually by 2030. Blue Distinction Centers for Cardiac Care seek to empower patients with the knowledge and tools to find quality cardiac care.

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