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LEADERSHIP REPORT

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A stroke occurs when a blood vessel in the brain bursts or a clot blocks the supply of blood to the brain, cutting off needed blood and oxygen and causing brain cells to die.

It is a leading cause of disability and the American Stroke Association reports that in the U.S. 800,000 people will experience a new or recurrent stroke each year.

These are alarming numbers, but the good news is that recent advances in stroke treatments have resulted in increased survival rates over the past 10 years.

Those who have experienced a stroke will face a wide variety of challenges impacting physical abilities, tasks of daily living and communication skills.

A rigorous stroke program can help patients make a faster and more complete recovery, exceeding the national benchmark. Providing patients with a comprehensive medical team and an individualized plan of care, an accredited program offers state-of-the-art technology and specialized stroke treatment.

CARF, the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, accredits a limited number of exceptional rehabilitation hospitals and facilities for stroke programs.

Bacharach's clinical team has worked arduously to earn CARF's Stroke Specialty Program accreditation twice, in 2011 and 2014, and is working very hard once again in anticipation of a visit by the CARF survey team this fall.

CARF accreditation validates the commitment to excellence of a particular rehabilitation program. In addition to accreditation for its stroke specialty program, Bacharach holds eleven other CARF accreditations. <http://bit.ly/2oQrHvB>

This May, Stroke Awareness Month, it is important that stroke patients understand and receive the highest level of rehabilitative care possible so they can return to a maximum level of independent function.

For more information about stroke prevention, warning signs and treatment visit strokeassociation.org.

Sincerely,

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