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Ventura County Medical Center and Santa Paula Hospital takes 3 Awards

(VENTURA, Calif.) – BETA Healthcare Group, promoting patient and family-centered care to California hospitals, announced that the Ventura County Health Care Agency and its hospitals has received quality awards for OB services, ER services and Risk Management. The awards recognize Ventura County Medical Center (VCMC) and Santa Paula Hospitals' Emergency Department and Obstetrical Services' staff for efforts to enhance patient safety by successfully demonstrating compliance with the Tier 1 and Tier 2 Elements of their *Quest for Zero: Excellence in ED* and OB patient safety initiatives. Additionally, VCMC completed the Sepsis Bundle and Triage option requirements; Santa Paula Hospital ED completed its first year of the *Quest for Zero* initiative.

"The Beta Healthcare Quest for Zero awards demonstrates physician and nursing staff willingness and commitment to work collaboratively year in and year out to improve patient safety, "says Susan Scott, BSN, PHN, MPA, and Chief Nursing Executive for Ventura County Medical Center and Santa Paula Hospital.

The largest insurer of hospital professional liability coverage in California, servicing more than 150 hospitals and healthcare facilities, BETA Healthcare Group awarded Ventura County Medical Center and Santa Paula Hospital, for their excellence in the three areas of OB, ER and Risk Management, at the Beta Risk Symposium held at The Westin, Long Beach on September 8th and 9th . This award comes on the heels of Ventura County Medical Center's Family Medicine Residency Program being named the #1 Residency in the nation by Doximity and U.S. News & World Report, providing another nod to the hospital for its commitment to excellence.

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