

# Good Samaritan Medical Center

A STEWARD FAMILY HOSPITAL



## Awards and Accreditations

**Joint Commission Accreditation** – Good Samaritan Medical Center is fully accredited by the Joint Commission. Patient safety and quality of care issues are at the forefront of Joint Commission standards and initiatives. Achieving accreditation supports the medical center’s ability to provide the highest quality services. Joint Commission standards focus on state-of-the-art performance improvement strategies that help health care organizations continuously improve the safety and quality of care, which can reduce the risk of error or low quality care.

**Level III Trauma Certification and Designation** – The American College of Surgeons awarded Good Samaritan Medical Center a Level III Trauma Certification in August 2016, which was followed by Massachusetts Department of Public Health Designation in February 2016. GSMC is the First and Only Level III Trauma Center in Region V that encompasses 70 communities and over 1.3 million residents.

**American Heart Association Mission: Lifeline** – Good Samaritan Medical Center is one of three hospitals in the area approved as a Mission: Lifeline Cardiac Care and Stroke Emergency Provider. The American Heart Association’s Mission: Lifeline program helps hospitals and emergency medical services develop systems of care that follow proven standards and procedures for STEMI patients. The program works by mobilizing teams across the continuum of care to implement American Heart Association/American College of Cardiology Foundation clinical treatment guidelines.

**Orthopedic Center for Excellence** – Good Samaritan earned The Joint Commission’s Gold Seal of Approval for Disease Specific Certification for Total Hip and Total Knee Replacement, becoming the first in the greater Brockton community. Good Samaritan Medical Center underwent a rigorous onsite review on November 29, 2017 with The Joint Commission to evaluate compliance with disease-specific care standards and total hip and total knee replacement requirements, including orthopedic consultation, and pre-operative, intraoperative and post-surgical orthopedic care.

**Blue Distinction+ Award for Hip and Knee Replacement** – Good Samaritan Medical Center was named a “Blue Distinction Center for Knee and Hip Replacement by Blue Cross Blue Shield. The designation indicates to patients and their physicians that Good Samaritan Medical Center met objective, evidence-based selection criteria that demonstrate reliability in delivering knee/hip replacement, with better overall outcomes for patients.

**Blue Distinction Award for Maternity Care** – Good Samaritan Medical Center was named a “Blue Distinction Center for Maternity Care” for being a healthcare facility with demonstrated expertise and a commitment to quality care during vaginal and cesarean section deliveries. These facilities are evaluated on several quality measures, from percentage of deliveries that fall into the category of early elective delivery, to overall patient satisfaction.

**Baby-Friendly® Hospital Designation by Baby-Friendly® USA** – Good Samaritan Medical Center achieved the prestigious Baby-Friendly® Designation. The Baby-Friendly® Hospital Initiative is a global initiative of the World Health Organization (WHO) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). Baby-Friendly® USA implements it in the United States.

**Lung Cancer Screening** – Good Samaritan Medical Center has received accreditation from the American College of Radiology (ACR) in Computed Tomography and is designated as an ACR Lung Cancer Screening Center. Low Dose Computed Tomography (LDCT) screens patients at high-risk for lung cancer prior to becoming symptomatic.

**Breast Imaging Center of Excellence** – The Women's Imaging Center at Good Samaritan Medical Center received the designation from the American College of Radiology as a Breast Imaging Center of Excellence by the Commission on Quality and Safety and the Commission on Breast Imaging. The Center is accredited in Mammography, Stereotactic Breast Biopsy, Breast Ultrasound, and Ultrasound-Guided Breast Biopsy.

**American College of Surgeons' Commission on Cancer Outstanding Achievement Award** – Good Samaritan Medical Center was one of the 74 Cancer Care Facilities nationwide to receive the prestigious Outstanding Achievement Award from The Commission on Cancer (CoC) of the American College of Surgeons (ACS). Award criteria were based on qualitative and quantitative surveys conducted last year. The purpose of the award is to raise the bar on quality cancer care, with the ultimate goal of increasing awareness about quality care choices among cancer patients and their loved ones.

**Radiation Oncology Accreditation by the American College of Radiology (ACR)** – Good Samaritan Medical Center was awarded a three-year term of accreditation in radiation oncology as the result of a review by the American College of Radiology (ACR). The ACR seal of accreditation represents the highest level of quality and patient safety. It is awarded only to facilities meeting specific Practice Guidelines and Technical Standards developed by ACR after a peer-review evaluation by board-certified radiation oncologists and medical physicists who are experts in the field. Patient care and treatment, patient safety, personnel qualifications, adequacy of facility equipment, quality control procedures, and quality assurance programs are assessed.

**Community Value 100 List** – Good Samaritan was named to the prestigious Community Value 100 List as one of the 100 top performing community hospitals in the country and received the 2017 Community Value Leadership Award from nationally recognized data and consulting firm, Cleverley + Associates. The Community Value Index was created to provide an assessment of a hospital's performance in four areas: financial strength and reinvestment cost of care, pricing, and quality. Fundamentally, the CVI suggests that a hospital provides value to the community when it is financially viable, is appropriately reinvesting back into the facility, maintains a low-cost structure, has reasonable charges, and provides high quality care to patients.