Southcoast Health Wound Care Center Earns National Recognition

Southcoast Health officials announced today that the Wound Care Center at St. Luke's Hospital is a 2022 recipient of the Center of Distinction Award by Healogics®, the nation's largest provider of advanced wound care services.

The Center achieved outstanding clinical outcomes for 12 consecutive months, including a patient satisfaction rate higher than 92 percent.

"The Southcoast Health Wound Care Center is a valuable service line that helps dramatically increase the quality of life for patients in our region," said Jacqueline Somerville, Senior Vice president and Chief Nursing Officer for Southcoast Health. "I am so proud of everyone who has helped make this achievement possible and for the outstanding work our staff and providers do to continue bringing exceptional care to patients in our community."

The Southcoast Health Wound Care Centers at St. Luke's and at Charlton Memorial in Fall River offer highly specialized wound care to patients suffering from diabetic foot ulcers, pressure ulcers, infections and other chronic wounds which have not healed in a reasonable amount of time.

"We are always working with our patients and their care teams to develop a personalized approach to care for their chronic wounds," said Mari Murphy, Wound Care Practice Manager at St. Luke's Hospital. "In our program, we are proud to help improve patients' quality of life and overall health by treating nonhealing wounds with the goal of healing them."

According to data from Healogics, nearly 7 million Americans

are living with chronic wounds, and specialized care can reduce the risk of amputation by nearly 50 percent.

Advanced wound care modalities provided by wound care experts include negative pressure wound therapy, total contact casting, bio-engineered tissues, biosynthetic dressings, compression therapy, and hyperbaric oxygen treatments.

"Celebrating Wound Care Awareness Month this June, we want to remind patients how important it is to receive care for chronic wounds early," said Cheryl Thompson, RN, Wound Care Program Director at Southcoast Health. "Early detection can help prevent complications such as infection, hospitalization and in severe cases amputation."



To learn more about the Wound Care Center at Southcoast Health please visit Wound Care Fall River & New Bedford MA | Southcoast Health.