

Sabetha Community Hospital recognized  
**(KNZA)--Sabetha Community Hospital announced it has been recognized as a 2023 Top 100 Critical Access Hospital. Compiled by The Chartis Center for Rural Health, this annual recognition program honors outstanding performance among the nation- rural hospitals based on the results of the Chartis Rural Hospital Performance INDEX™.**

**“It is certainly an honor to be named one of the nation- top Critical Access Hospitals for the 6th consecutive year. It is a testament to the people that work in the Sabetha Community Hospital system, at all levels. These caring individuals continue to demonstrate their passion for making this an outstanding place to receive medical care. It has become apparent that the staff at Sabetha Community Hospital will not settle for mediocrity. I am honored to work with such talented and dedicated people that continue to go the extra mile while caring for anyone needing healthcare. Awards such as this serve as affirmation that our team has overcome many of the challenges that we have faced. It has also been apparent that our staff is not satisfied and will always look for ways to improve experiences, and outcomes, for the citizens of Northeast Kansas, said Dr. James Longabaugh, CEO.**

**“Across the nation, top 100 rural providers continue to serve as a source of inspiration for hospital leadership teams and staff working diligently every day to improve the delivery of care within their local communities,” said Michael Topchik, National Leader, the Chartis Center for Rural Health. “The list of award winners in each category is as geographically diverse as we’ve seen in some time, which is wonderful to see. We’re thrilled to be able to honor the outstanding efforts of these top performing rural hospitals.”**

**Now in its 13th year, the INDEX has established itself as the industry- most comprehensive and objective assessment of rural hospital performance. Leveraging publicly available data, the INDEX is trusted by rural hospitals, health systems with rural affiliates, hospital associations and state offices of rural health across the country to measure and monitor performance across a variety of areas impacting hospital operations and finance.**