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Accolades for Stony Brook Southampton Hospital

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Stony Brook Southampton Hospital has earned national recognition for overall patient safety and L.G.B.T.Q.+ health care equity, the hospital recently announced.



On May 1 it received an “A” grade in patient safety from the Leapfrog Group, an independent watchdog organization that sets and monitors safety standards at hospitals across the United States.

“Everyone who works at Stony Brook Southampton Hospital should be proud of this ‘A’ hospital safety grade,” Leah Binder, president and C.E.O. of the Leapfrog Group, said in an announcement. “It takes complete dedication at every level, and an ironclad commitment to putting patients first. I thank Stony Brook Southampton Hospital, its leadership, clinicians, staff, and volunteers for caring so deeply for its patients and their safety.”

Stony Brook Southampton — along with Stony Brook’s main hospital campus and the Eastern Long Island Hospital in Greenport — was also named an L.G.B.T.Q.+ Healthcare Equality Leader by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation on Tuesday.

Three years ago, Stony Brook Southampton assessed the health care needs of Long Island’s L.G.B.T.Q.+ community, concluding that individuals in this population experience “disparities and difficulty accessing affirming care.” According to a press release, the hospital system has been building on the offerings at the Edie Windsor Healthcare Center in Hampton Bays; has added pronoun entries in a prominent way to patient files; trained employees in inclusive, nondiscriminatory care and support practices, and engages meaningfully with patients and the community.

“This recognition is a testament to the meaningful work” carried out in the Stony Brook system,” Carol A. Gomes, chief executive officer for Stony Brook University Hospital, said in a statement. “For decades, our health care system has developed programs and offered services to help patients access the highest quality of care, and we want to continue to build on that strong foundation.”