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Galion Community Hospital Earns Gold Seal of Accreditation

GALION – November 14, 2011 – Galion Community Hospital has been awarded a gold seal of approval and a three-year term of accreditation in magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) as a result of a recent review by the American College of Radiology (ACR). The ACR gold seal of accreditation represents the highest level of image quality and patient safety.

The gold seal is awarded only to facilities meeting ACR practice guidelines and technical standards after a peer review evaluation by board-certified physicians and medical physicists who are experts in the field. Image quality, personnel qualifications, adequacy of equipment, quality control procedures and quality assurance programs are assessed.

“This accreditation is another testimony on our commitment to safety and quality in the diagnostic studies we do here at Galion Community Hospital,” comments Roger Bevelhymer, Manager of Radiology Services at Avita Health System.

MRI is a non-invasive medical test that utilizes magnetic fields to produce anatomical images of internal body parts to help physicians diagnose and treat medical conditions.

The ACR is a national professional organization serving more than 34,000 diagnostic/interventional radiologists, radiation oncologists, nuclear medicine physicians and medical physicists with programs focusing on the practice of medical imaging.

For further information on Galion Community Hospital services, visit www.avitahealth.org.

**A picture of the gold seal of accreditation is attached.*

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