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**Hans P. Peterson Memorial Hospital Recognized by Chartis as a Top 100 Rural & Community Hospital**

Hans P. Peterson Memorial Hospital in Philip, SD, today announced it has been named among the 2025 Top 100 Rural & Community Hospitals by The Chartis Center for Rural Health. Chartis’ annual Top 100 award program honors outstanding performance among the nation’s rural hospitals based on the results of the Chartis Rural Hospital Performance INDEX®.

**“Being recognized in the Top 100 Rural & Community Hospitals is an honor” relayed Maureen Cadwell, CEO, “Our staff work very hard to provide the best care possible to our communities and we are very fortunate to have the facility services in our rural area.”**

“The Top 100 Rural & Community Hospitals award program elevates the very best performers and helps create a roadmap for those seeking to improve financial and operational performance while continuing to care for the communities they serve,” said Michael Topchik, Executive Director, The Chartis Center for Rural Health. “This is our 10th year recognizing the Top 100 Rural & Community Hospitals and we’re thrilled to be able to celebrate this milestone with this year’s winners.”

The INDEX is the industry’s most comprehensive and objective assessment of rural hospital performance. Leveraging publicly available data, the INDEX is utilized nationwide by rural hospitals, health systems with rural affiliates, hospital associations, and state offices of rural health to measure and monitor performance across a variety of areas impacting hospital operations and finance.

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