

HOSPITAL HONORED FOR ORGAN DONATION RATES

Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center has received an Organ Donation Medal of Honor, a national award for achieving high organ donation rates over the past year. The award, from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, went to 184 hospitals in the country. To be eligible, hospitals must have received a donation from 75 percent of at least eight eligible donors. Sierra Vista procured 26 organs during 2004. Nationwide, more than 88,000 people are awaiting organ transplants -- and

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