



Forks Community Hospital

"Pioneers in Rural Health Care"

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IS THE ONLY CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITAL
IN THE UNITED STATES TO RECEIVE
CERTIFICATION IN INFECTION PREVENTION (CIP)
FROM DNV GL HEALTHCARE**

Forks, WA, 12/4/2018 — Forks Community Hospital announces that it has received its, Certification in Infection Prevention (CIP) recognizing exceptional processes and approach to mitigating infection risk that exceeds current standards. Forks Community Hospital is the only Critical Access Hospital in the United States to receive the certification.

"This certification lets our community know we have the resources and commitment to provide the best possible care for managing infection risk," says Director of Patient Safety & Quality, RN D. Dillon. "The CIP Certification requirements build upon three important pillars: a proactive rather than reactive approach to safety, the development of a safety culture that is transparent and accountable, and engagement of all staff towards a systems-driven approach to safety." Achieving certification validates all the effort we have put into this program and to ensuring the health and safety of our patients.

"The DNV GL Healthcare CIP program empowers all staff to make necessary changes through a comprehensive risk assessment framework that provides hospitals with tools, resources, and institutional support to address often overlooked areas and implement best practices. CIP motivates entire hospital systems to identify and mitigate vulnerabilities, rework and redesign existing systems, more efficiently manage resources, and ensure smarter and safer healthcare," says Patrick Horine, Chief Executive Officer of DNV GL Healthcare in the United States.

"Achieving certification shows commitment to excellence," says Patrick Horine, CEO of DNV GL Healthcare. "And it helps demonstrate to your community that you are performing at the highest level."

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Pioneers in rural health; providing exceptional, personalized care.**

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