

# IMPACT

Insights from Northridge Hospital Foundation

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## Welcome to IMPACT...

#### Gratitude...

"The staff were so great during my two day stay at the hospital. A special thanks to the nurses and the physical therapist that helped me."

> ~Mary, Grateful Patient

#### Upcoming:

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"Helping Hands" Holiday Jam

Recognizing children in need.

Friday, December 9, 2016

> Happy Holidays!

For more information on this and other upcoming events, please contact

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A Gift to the Northridge Hospital Foundation truly makes a difference in the lives of our patients and families. To make a donation, visit <u>Supportnorthridge.org</u>

# **Baby-Friendly® Designation**

I'm proud to announce that Baby-Friendly® USA, Inc. has designated Northridge Hospital Medical Center as Baby-Friendly. Northridge Hospital Medical Center is one of less than 20 percent of hospitals in the U.S. to earn this Baby-Friendly® Designation for adopting care practices that promote the highest level of breastfeeding support and education in the first crucial months of a baby's life.



Designated 2016 - 2021

The Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative was launched in 1991 by the World Health Organization and UNICEF to improve the role of maternity services to enable mothers to breastfeed their babies.

Hospitals receive such a designation only after significant effort. The criteria is challenging, as they are designed to set the standards for the best possible breastfeeding support for mother and infant in the maternity setting, insuring high quality of care in this critical area of mother/baby care. Thanks to a grant from First 5 LA, the hospital has been able to develop an excellent start for babies born here.

Maternity care is a large specialty at Northridge Hospital Medical Center where we provide specialized education to nurses in the Family Birth Center, and where certified lactation nurses help new moms enjoy a successful breastfeeding experience.

Northridge Hospital Medical Center is proud to join four other Dignity Health Southern California hospitals that are designated as Baby-Friendly: Glendale Memorial Hospital; St. Mary Medical Center, Long Beach; St. Bernardine Medical Center; and Community Hospital of San Bernardino.

Congratulations to our Maternity Care Services Team for their diligence and perseverance to make our Baby-Friendly Designation a reality.

Saliba H. Salo, President/CEO

### **Stories of IMPACT...**

- 1. <u>Center for Assault Treatment Services (C·A·T·S) receives a \$20,000 grant</u> from the George Hoag Family Foundation and a \$20,000 grant from Lon V. Smith Foundation
- 2. Join us as we celebrate the holidays at our 16th Annual "Helping Hands" Holiday Jam!
- 3. <u>C·A·T·S Sponsors Women's Self-Defense Class</u>
- 4. Tree of Love Dedication
- 5. <u>Congratulations to Bill Newbold on receiving the California Hospital Association (CHA) Board of Trustees award</u>