News Release

Weston Cosmetic Surgery Center Improves Patient Safety Through AAAASF Accreditation

Weston, FL 10/01/11 – Weston Cosmetic Surgery Center, Weston, FL has demonstrated its commitment to patient safety by gaining accreditation from The American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgery Facilities (AAAASF), recognized nationally as the "Gold Standard" in accreditation.

Charles A. Messa, III, M.D., F.A.C.S., Medical Director of Weston Cosmetic Surgery Center, a double board certified plastic surgeon holds safety to be of the utmost importance. That's why Dr. Messa performs all surgical procedures in an accredited hospital facility or in his state-of-the-art, AAAASF certified surgical facility. The American Association for Accreditation of Ambulatory Surgical Facilities (AAAASF) is recognized by the American Society of Plastic Surgeons for accepting nothing less than the highest standards of excellence for patient safety and quality of care for its accredited facilities. Dr. Messa has maintained this accreditation status at his facility since 2001.

To earn its accreditation, Weston Cosmetic Surgery Center, like every AAAASF accredited ambulatory surgery facility, must meet stringent national standards for general environment, general safety, blood and medication, medical records, quality assessment/improvement, personnel, operating room, recovery room, and anesthesia. The end result is that the accredited facility makes a commitment toward maintaining safety and quality in the ambulatory surgery facility. As the leading accrediting organization for ambulatory facilities, AAAASF has developed the systems to effectively monitor and implement the latest advances in outpatient care delivery that directly benefit patients.

Weston Cosmetic Surgery Center can demonstrate that they have met the highest standards in patient care and safety. Meeting the "Gold Standard" requirements elevates the patient safety awareness of every member of the staff and improves the quality of care.

AAAASF has been a major proponent for peer review reporting and quality improvement in the outpatient surgery environment. It is the mission of AAAASF to develop and implement standards of excellence to improve quality of patient care and safety through a program of inspection and accreditation that serves both the medical community and the public interest.

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