

## **Hospital News**

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## Barlow Respiratory Hospital Center of Excellence Designation Celebrated June 7<sup>th</sup> Barlow Respiratory Hospital is the only Passy-Muir Center of Excellence on the West Coast

LOS ANGELES (June 6, 2016) - Barlow Respiratory Hospital interdisciplinary team and facility has earned the Passy Muir designation as a Center of Excellence by demonstrating a high standard of care for patients with tracheostomies, on and off the ventilator. Passy Muir presentation of the designation award will be at a reception at Barlow Respiratory Hospital, on Tuesday June 7, 2016 at 10:00 am in the hospital's historic main campus library, 2000 Stadium Way, Los Angeles, CA 90026. Barlow's Medical Director, Dr. David R. Nelson, a Board Certified Pulmonologist and Associate Professor of Clinical Medicine at the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, will speak at the presentation.



Barlow Respiratory Hospital interdisciplinary healthcare team includes board certified physicians, registered nurses, licensed respiratory therapists, social workers, physical, occupational and speech therapists, case managers, certified nursing assistants, and dietitians. Together, they devote their expertise to help each patient return home to loved ones or to a lower level of care.

Barlow Respiratory Hospital patients are typically referred by physicians and hospital Intensive Care Units. Specialty hospitals like Barlow fill an important role

in the continuum of care because they serve a small, but growing patient population that cannot be effectively treated in the conventional healthcare setting. Barlow is recognized for a successful Ventilator Weaning program and a distinguished Wound Care program and is an affiliated teaching facility for USC's Keck School of Medicine.

<u>About Barlow Respiratory Hospital</u>: Barlow Respiratory Hospital is the only not-for-profit respiratory hospital in Los Angeles and is recognized for excellence in treating medically complex patients dependent on a ventilator to breathe.

Barlow Respiratory Hospital was founded in 1902 and is a long-term acute care hospital (LTACH) and a national leader in Ventilator

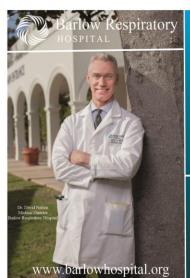
Weaning. Barlow serves patients referred by nearly 100 regional hospital Intensive Care Units. Barlow fills an important role in the continuum of care by serving a small, but growing patient population who cannot be effectively treated in the conventional healthcare setting.

Barlow has a distinguished Wound Care program and is an affiliated teaching facility for USC's Keck School of Medicine. Barlow has also been awarded the **Gold Seal of Approval® for Respiratory Failure Certification** by the Joint Commission which establishes the hospital as a recognized **center of excellence for ventilator weaning and management**. There are less than one dozen hospitals nationwide that have achieved this certification and Barlow is the **first on the West Coast**.

Learn more about Barlow Respiratory Hospital www.barlowhospital.org

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"After a terrible car crash, Barlow's expert care helped me recover and lead a normal life again." ~ Lane Anderson

"Barlow helped me get off the ventilator, breathe on my own again and regain the life I knew." ~ Michael Mark

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"They care for you like family."
~ Nancy Larsen

Barlow Respiratory Hospital was founded in 1902 as a charity hospital caring for Tuberculosis patients. Today, Barlow is the only non-profit respiratory hospital in Los Angeles and is counted among the very best in the nation.