

## **LEWIS COUNTY GENERAL HOSPITAL RECOGNIZED FOR 75 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE AMERICAN HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION**

(September 19, 2023) – The American Hospital Association (AHA) announced that it has honored Lewis County General Hospital in Lowville, N.Y., in appreciation for its 75 years of participation and leadership in the AHA.

AHA Regional Executive Michael Draine presented the award to Lewis County Health System Chief Executive Officer Gerald Cayer on September 12.

“The American Hospital Association is proud to recognize Lewis County General Hospital for 75 years of membership in the AHA and for their continued commitment to serving their patients and communities,” said AHA Regional Executive Michael Draine. “Lewis County General Hospital has been a cornerstone of care in Lewis County and other nearby communities. We thank their leaders, caregivers, and other staff for their dedication to providing quality, convenient care.”

Lewis County General Hospital is a full-service 25-bed Critical Access Hospital and part of the Lewis County Health System. The hospital shares its main campus with Lewis County Hospice, a certified home health agency, primary and specialty care clinics, and a 160-bed residential healthcare facility. In 2022, Lewis County Health System broke ground on a 32-million-dollar capital project that includes a new two-story surgical pavilion and the modernization of the medical-surgical and CCU units at Lewis County General Hospital.

The project is the most comprehensive modernization of Lewis County General Hospital since it opened to meet the healthcare needs of the Lewis County community in 1931.

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Photo left – AHA Regional Executive Michael Draine presenting the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Membership award to LCHS Chief Executive Officer Gerald Cayer.

**About the American Hospital Association**

The American Hospital Association (AHA) is a not-for-profit association of health care provider organizations and individuals that are committed to the health improvement of their communities. The AHA advocates on behalf of our nearly 5,000 member hospitals, health systems and other health care organizations, our clinician partners – including more than 270,000 affiliated physicians, 2 million nurses and other caregivers – and the 43,000 health care leaders who belong to our professional membership groups. Founded in 1898, the AHA provides insight and education for health care leaders and is a source of information on health care issues and trends. For more information, visit the AHA website at [www.aha.org](http://www.aha.org).