Accreditation Quality Report

The Joint Commission

Welcome to the Joint Commission's Quality Report. We know how important reliable information is to you and your family when making health care decisions. This Quality Report will help you make the right decisions to meet your needs. Since 1951, the Joint Commission has been the national leader in setting standards for health care organizations. When a health care organization seeks accreditation, it demonstrates commitment to giving safe, high quality health care and to continually working to improve that care.

The Quality Report is only one way to determine whether a health care organization can meet your needs. Discuss this report with your doctor or with other professional acquaintances before making a care decision. In addition to the accreditation status of the organization, the Quality Report uses checks, pluses, and minuses in each of the following key areas to help you compare a health care organization with similar accredited organizations.

- National Patient Safety Goals - safety guidelines that target the prevention of medical errors such as surgery on the wrong side of the body and safe medication use.
- National Quality Improvement Goals - measures the care of patients with specific conditions such as heart failure or pregnancy.

Not all measures are relevant to or available for all types of health care organizations. The Joint Commission will add relevant measures of health care quality as more measures become available. Your comments are just as important to us. The content and format of the Quality Report will be updated from time to time based on changes in the health care industry and your suggestions. Please call Customer Service at 630-792-5800 or e-mail the Joint Commission at qualityreport@jointcommission.org with your comments and suggestions.

Summary of Quality Information

Accreditation Programs	Accreditation Decision	Effective Date	Last Full Survey Date	Last On-Site Survey Date
🟡 Behavioral Health Care and Human Services	Accredited	1/19/2023	3/30/2022	1/18/2023
🟡 Hospital	Accredited	6/27/2023	4/1/2022	6/26/2023

Accreditation programs recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

Psychiatric Hospital

		Compared to other Joint Commission Accredited Organizations	
		Nationwide	Statewide
Behavioral Health Care and Human Services	**2023National Patient Safety Goals**	☑	N/A *
Hospital	**2023National Patient Safety Goals**	☑	N/A *
Reporting Period: Jan 2022 - Dec 2022	**National Quality Improvement Goals:** Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services	N/D [2]	N/D [2]

Locations of Care

* Primary Location

Locations of Care	Available Services
Frontline Hospital * DBA: North Star Behavioral Health 2530 DeBarr Road Anchorage, AK 99508-2948	**Services:** • Behavioral Health (Day Programs - Adult) (24-hour Acute Care/Crisis Stabilization - Child/Youth) (Partial Hospitalization - Adult)
Frontline Hospital DBA: North Star Behavioral Health - Chris Kyle Patriots Hospital 1650 S. Bragaw Anchorage, AK 99508	**Other Clinics/Practices located at this site:** • IOP/PHP **Services:** • Behavioral Health (Day Programs - Adult) (24-hour Acute Care/Crisis Stabilization - Adult) (Partial Hospitalization - Adult)
North Star DeBarr Residential Treatment Center 1500 DeBarr Circle Anchorage, AK 99508	**Services:** • Behavioral Health (24-hour Acute Care/Crisis Stabilization - Child/Youth) (Residential Care - Child/Youth)
North Star Palmer Residential Treatment Center mile 2.5 Clark-Wolverine Rd. Palmer, AK 99645	**Services:** • Behavioral Health (Residential Care - Child/Youth)

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2023 National Patient Safety Goals

Behavioral Health Care and Human Services

Symbol Key

☑ The organization has met the National Patient Safety Goal.

⊖ The organization has not met the National Patient Safety Goal.

Ⓝ/ₐ The Goal is not applicable for this organization.

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Safety Goals	Organizations Should	Implemented
Improve the accuracy of the identification of individuals served.	Use of Two Identifiers	☑
Improve the safety of using medications.	Reconciling Medication Information	☑
Reduce the risk of health care-associated infections.	Meeting Hand Hygiene Guidelines	☑
The organization identifies safety risks inherent in the population of the individuals it serves.	Identifying Individuals at Risk for Suicide	☑

2023 National Patient Safety Goals

Hospital

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Safety Goals	Organizations Should	Implemented
Improve the accuracy of patient identification.	Use of Two Patient Identifiers	✓
Improve the effectiveness of communication among caregivers.	Timely Reporting of Critical Tests and Critical Results	✓
Improve the safety of using medications.	Labeling Medications	✓
	Reducing Harm from Anticoagulation Therapy	✓
	Reconciling Medication Information	✓
Reduce the harm associated with clinical alarm systems.	Use Alarms Safely on Medical Equipment	✓
Reduce the risk of health care-associated infections.	Meeting Hand Hygiene Guidelines	✓
The organization identifies safety risks inherent in its patient population.	Identifying Individuals at Risk for Suicide	✓
Universal Protocol	Conducting a Pre-Procedure Verification Process	✓
	Marking the Procedure Site	✓
	Performing a Time-Out	✓

Frontline Hospital

DBA: North Star Behavioral Health,
2530 DeBarr Road, Anchorage, AK

Org ID: 1049

National Quality Improvement Goals

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Hospital-Based Inpatient Psychiatric Services	This category of evidenced based measures assesses the overall quality of care given to psychiatric patients.	N/D [2]	N/D [2]

Measure	Explanation	Compared to other Joint Commission Accredited Organizations				
		Nationwide			Statewide	
		Hospital Results	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:
Assessment of violence risk, substance use disorder, trauma and patient strengths completed - Overall Rate	This measure reports the overall number of patients screened for violence risk to self and others, substance and alcohol use, psychological trauma history and patient strengths. Screening for violence risk to self determines if patients are likely to harm themselves. Screening for violence risk to others determines if patients are likely to harm others. Screening for substance and alcohol use determines if patients need help for their use. Screening for psychological trauma history determines if patients have experienced terrible events in their lives which have left them fearful or anxious and unable to handle their feelings. Screening for patient strengths identifies positive things such as family support, a steady job, housing, etc. which are used to help the patient recover.	N/D [2] 99% of 520 eligible Patients	100%	95%	----	----[3]

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Assessment of violence risk, substance use disorder, trauma and patient strengths completed - Children (1-12 years)	This measure reports the number of children age (1-12 years) screened for violence risk to self and others, substance and alcohol use, psychological trauma history and patient strengths. Screening for violence risk to self determines if patients are likely to harm themselves. Screening for violence risk to others determines if patients are likely to harm others. Screening for substance and alcohol use determines if patients need help for their use. Screening for psychological trauma history determines if patients have experienced terrible events in their lives which have left them fearful or anxious and unable to handle their feelings. Screening for patient strengths identifies positive things such as family support, a steady job, housing, etc. which are used to help the patient recover.	★ 100% of 112 eligible Patients	100%	97%	----	----[3]

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			Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:
Assessment of violence risk, substance use disorder, trauma and patient strengths completed - Adolescent (13-17 years)	This measure reports the number of adolescent age (13-17 years) screened for violence risk to self and others, substance and alcohol use, psychological trauma history and patient strengths. Screening for violence risk to self determines if patients are likely to harm themselves. Screening for violence risk to others determines if patients are likely to harm others. Screening for substance and alcohol use determines if patients need help for their use. Screening for psychological trauma history determines if patients have experienced terrible events in their lives which have left them fearful or anxious and unable to handle their feelings. Screening for patient strengths identifies positive things such as family support, a steady job, housing, etc. which are used to help the patient recover.	⭐ 100% of 177 eligible Patients	100%	96%	----	----[3]

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Assessment of violence risk, substance use disorder, trauma and patient strengths completed - Adult (18-64 years)	This measure reports the number of adults age (18-64 years) screened for violence risk to self and others, substance and alcohol use, psychological trauma history and patient strengths. Screening for violence risk to self determines if patients are likely to harm themselves. Screening for violence risk to others determines if patients are likely to harm others. Screening for substance and alcohol use determines if patients need help for their use. Screening for psychological trauma history determines if patients have experienced terrible events in their lives which have left them fearful or anxious and unable to handle their feelings. Screening for patient strengths identifies positive things such as family support, a steady job, housing, etc. which are used to help the patient recover.	⊕ 99% of 228 eligible Patients	100%	94%	----	----[3]

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			Nationwide		Statewide	
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Assessment of violence risk, substance use disorder, trauma and patient strengths completed - Older Adult (>= 65 years)	This measure reports the number of older adult (>= 65 years) screened for violence risk to self and others, substance and alcohol use, psychological trauma history and patient strengths. Screening for violence risk to self determines if patients are likely to harm themselves. Screening for violence risk to others determines if patients are likely to harm others. Screening for substance and alcohol use determines if patients need help for their use. Screening for psychological trauma history determines if patients have experienced terrible events in their lives which have left them fearful or anxious and unable to handle their feelings. Screening for patient strengths identifies positive things such as family support, a steady job, housing, etc. which are used to help the patient recover.	⭐ 100% of 3 eligible Patients	100%	95%	----	----[3]

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		Hospital Results	Nationwide		Statewide	
			Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:
Multiple Antipsychotic Medications at Discharge with Appropriate Justification Overall Rate	This is a proportion measure. A proportion measure is a measure which shows the number of occurrences over the entire group within which the occurrence should take place. The numerator is expressed as a subset of the denominator. This measure reports the overall number of patients discharged on two or more antipsychotic medications. Antipsychotic medications are a group of drugs used to treat psychosis. Psychosis is a mental illness that markedly interferes with a persons capacity to meet lifes everyday demands.	N/D [2] 50% of 6 eligible Patients	100%	47%	----	----[3]
Multiple Antipsychotic Medications at Discharge with Appropriate Justification Children Age 1 - 12	This measure reports the number of patients age 1 through 12 years discharged on two or more antipsychotic medications for which there was an appropriate justification. Antipsychotic medications are a group of drugs used to treat psychosis. Psychosis is a mental illness that markedly interferes with a person's capacity to meet life's everyday demands. Appropriate justifications include previous attempts to control psychosis with one antipsychotic medication, a plan to reduce the number of antipsychotic medications to one antipsychotic medication or the addition of an antipsychotic medication when the patient is also being treated with Clozapine.	N/D [4] ----	100%	21%	----	----[3]

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			Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:
Multiple Antipsychotic Medications at Discharge with Appropriate Justification Adolescents Age 13 - 17	This measure reports the number of patients age 13 through 17 years discharged on two or more antipsychotic medications for which there was an appropriate justification. Antipsychotic medications are a group of drugs used to treat psychosis. Psychosis is a mental illness that markedly interferes with a person's capacity to meet life's everyday demands. Appropriate justifications include previous attempts to control psychosis with one antipsychotic medication, a plan to reduce the number of antipsychotic medications to one antipsychotic medication or the addition of an antipsychotic medication when the patient is also being treated with Clozapine.	Ⓝ/ᴅ [4] ----	100%	24%	----	----[3]

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			Nationwide		Statewide	
		Hospital Results	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:
Multiple Antipsychotic Medications at Discharge with Appropriate Justification Adults Age 18 - 64	This measure reports the number of patients age 18 through 64 years discharged on two or more antipsychotic medications for which there was an appropriate justification. Antipsychotic medications are a group of drugs used to treat psychosis. Psychosis is a mental illness that markedly interferes with a person's capacity to meet life's everyday demands. Appropriate justifications include previous attempts to control psychosis with one antipsychotic medication, a plan to reduce the number of antipsychotic medications to one antipsychotic medication or the addition of an antipsychotic medication when the patient is also being treated with Clozapine.	✓ 67% of 3 eligible Patients	100%	50%	----	----[3]

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			Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:
Multiple Antipsychotic Medications at Discharge with Appropriate Justification Older Adults Age 65 and Older	This measure reports the number of patients age 65 and older discharged on two or more antipsychotic medications for which there was an appropriate justification. Antipsychotic medications are a group of drugs used to treat psychosis. Psychosis is a mental illness that markedly interferes with a person's capacity to meet life's everyday demands. Appropriate justifications include previous attempts to control psychosis with one antipsychotic medication, a plan to reduce the number of antipsychotic medications to one antipsychotic medication or the addition of an antipsychotic medication when the patient is also being treated with Clozapine.	N/D [3] ----	100%	46%	----	----[3]
Hours of Physical Restraint Use per 1000 Patient Hours - Overall Rate	This measure reports the total hours patients were kept in physical restraints for every 1,000 hours of patient care. Physical restraint is any manual method or physical or mechanical device, material, or equipment that immobilizes or reduces the ability of a patient to move his or her arms, legs, body or head freely when it is used as a restriction to manage a patient's behavior or restrict the patient's freedom of movement and is not a standard treatment for the patient's medical or psychiatric condition.	N/D [2] 0.1856 (102 Total Hours in Restraint)	N/A	0.5767	----	----[3]

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		Hospital Results	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:
Hours of Physical Restraint Use Children Age 1 - 12	This measure reports the number of hours patients age 1 through 12 years were kept in physical restraints for every 1,000 hours of patient care. Physical restraint is any manual method or physical or mechanical device, material, or equipment that immobilizes or reduces the ability of a patient to move his or her arms, legs, body or head freely when it is used as a restriction to manage a patient's behavior or restrict the patient's freedom of movement and is not a standard treatment for the patient's medical or psychiatric condition.	✅ 0.3851 (69 Total Hours in Restraint)	N/A	0.3845	----	----[3]
Hours of Physical Restraint Use Adolescents Age 13 - 17	This measure reports the number of hours patients age 13 through 17 years were kept in physical restraints for every 1,000 hours of patient care. Physical restraint is any manual method or physical or mechanical device, material, or equipment that immobilizes or reduces the ability of a patient to move his or her arms, legs, body or head freely when it is used as a restriction to manage a patient's behavior or restrict the patient's freedom of movement and is not a standard treatment for the patient's medical or psychiatric condition.	➕ 0.1616 (33 Total Hours in Restraint)	N/A	0.3412	----	----[3]

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			Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:	Top Performer Threshold:	Average Rate:
Hours of Physical Restraint Use Adults Age 18 - 64	This measure reports the number of hours patients age 18 through 64 years were kept in physical restraints for every 1,000 hours of patient care. Physical restraint is any manual method or physical or mechanical device, material, or equipment that immobilizes or reduces the ability of a patient to move his or her arms, legs, body or head freely when it is used as a restriction to manage a patient's behavior or restrict the patient's freedom of movement and is not a standard treatment for the patient's medical or psychiatric condition.	⭐ 0.0000 (0 Total Hours in Restraint)	N/A	0.6823	----	----[3]
Hours of Physical Restraint Use Older Adults Age 65 and Older	This measure reports the number of hours patients age 65 and older were kept in physical restraints for every 1,000 hours of patient care. Physical restraint is any manual method or physical or mechanical device, material, or equipment that immobilizes or reduces the ability of a patient to move his or her arms, legs, body or head freely when it is used as a restriction to manage a patient's behavior or restrict the patient's freedom of movement and is not a standard treatment for the patient's medical or psychiatric condition.	N/D [4] ----	N/A	0.1097	----	----[3]
Hours of Seclusion Use per 1000 Patient Hours - Overall Rate	This measure reports the total hours patients were kept in seclusion for every 1,000 hours of patient care. Seclusion is the involuntary confinement of a patient alone in a room or an area where the patient is physically prevented from leaving.	N/D [2] 0.4220 (231 Total Hours in Seclusion)	N/A	0.3738	----	----[3]

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Hours of Seclusion Use Children Age 1 - 12	This measure reports the number of hours patients age 1 through 12 years were kept in seclusion for every 1,000 hours of patient care. Seclusion is the involuntary confinement of a patient alone in a room or an area where the patient is physically prevented from leaving.	➖ 0.7934 (142 Total Hours in Seclusion)	N/A	0.4111	----	----[3]
Hours of Seclusion Use Adolescents Age 13 - 17	This measure reports the number of hours patients age 13 through 17 years were kept in seclusion for every 1,000 hours of patient care. Seclusion is the involuntary confinement of a patient alone in a room or an area where the patient is physically prevented from leaving.	➖ 0.4401 (89 Total Hours in Seclusion)	N/A	0.1738	----	----[3]
Hours of Seclusion Use Adults Age 18 - 64	This measure reports the number of hours patients age 18 through 64 years were kept in seclusion for every 1,000 hours of patient care. Seclusion is the involuntary confinement of a patient alone in a room or an area where the patient is physically prevented from leaving.	⭐ 0.0000 (0 Total Hours in Seclusion)	N/A	0.4421	----	----[3]
Hours of Seclusion Use Older Adults Age 65 and Older	This measure reports the number of hours patients age 65 and older were kept in seclusion for every 1,000 hours of patient care. Seclusion is the involuntary confinement of a patient alone in a room or an area where the patient is physically prevented from leaving.	N/D [4] ----	N/A	0.0766	----	----[3]

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