



Accreditation Quality Report





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.

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President of the Joint Commission



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Accreditation Programs	Accreditation Decision	Effective Date	Last Full Survey Date	Last On-Site Survey Date
 Behavioral Health Care	Accredited	5/3/2011	5/2/2011	5/2/2011
 Home Care	Accredited	5/6/2011	5/5/2011	5/5/2011
 Hospital	Accredited	5/7/2011	5/6/2011	5/6/2011


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

Hospital

Advanced Certification Programs	Certification Decision	Effective Date	Last Full Review Date	Last On-Site Review Date
 Primary Stroke Center	Certification	3/26/2010	3/25/2010	3/25/2010

Special Quality Awards

- 2012 ACS National Surgical Quality Improvement Program
- 2011 Gold Plus Get With The Guidelines - Stroke
- 2011 Silver Get With The Guidelines - Heart Failure
- 2010 Hospital Magnet Award

		Compared to other Joint Commission Accredited Organizations	
		Nationwide	Statewide
Behavioral Health Care	2011 National Patient Safety Goals		 *
Home Care	2011 National Patient Safety Goals		 *
Hospital	2011 National Patient Safety Goals		 *

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National Quality Improvement Goals:

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Heart Attack Care
Heart Failure Care
Pneumonia Care

Surgical Care Improvement Project (SCIP)

SCIP - Cardiac
SCIP - Infection Prevention
For All Reported Procedures:

- Blood Vessel Surgery
- Colon/Large Intestine Surgery
- Hip Joint Replacement
- Hysterectomy
- Knee Replacement
- Open Heart Surgery

SCIP – Venous Thromboembolism (VTE)

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Locations of Care

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Locations of Care	Available Services
Center for Behavioral Health Day Treatment Program 33 Pleasant Street Middletown, CT 06457	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Behavioral Health (Day Programs - Adult) (Partial - Adult)
Center for Behavioral Health Family Advocacy Program 51 Broad Street Middletown, CT 06457	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Behavioral Health (Non 24 Hour Care - Child/Youth) In-Home Behavioral Health Services (Non 24 Hour Care - Child/Youth)
Center for Behavioral Health Outpatient 103 South Main Street Middletown, CT 06457	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Behavioral Health (Non 24 Hour Care - Adult)



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Middlesex Hospital * 28 Crescent Street Middletown, CT 06457	Joint Commission Advanced Certification Programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primary Stroke Center Services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Behavioral Health (24-hour Acute Care/Crisis Stabilization - Adult) Cancer Center/Oncology (Inpatient, Outpatient) Cardiac Catheterization Lab (Inpatient, Outpatient) Cardiac Unit/Cardiology (Inpatient) CT Scanner (Inpatient, Outpatient) Dentistry (Outpatient) Dialysis (Inpatient) EEG/EKG/EMG Lab (Inpatient, Outpatient) Emergency Room (Outpatient) Endocrinology (Inpatient, Outpatient) Family Practice (Inpatient, Outpatient) Gastroenterology (Inpatient, Outpatient) General Medical Services (Inpatient) General Surgery (Inpatient, Outpatient) GI or Endoscopy Lab (Inpatient, Outpatient) Gynecology (Inpatient, Outpatient) Hematology/Blood Treatment (Inpatient, Outpatient) Imaging/Radiology (Inpatient, Outpatient) Infectious Diseases (Inpatient) Infusion Therapy (Inpatient, Outpatient) Intensive Care Unit (Inpatient) Internal Medicine (Inpatient) Labor & Delivery (Inpatient) Lithotripsy/Kidney Stone Treatment (Inpatient, Outpatient) Magnetic Resonance Imaging (Inpatient, Outpatient) Mental Health (Inpatient, 24-hour Acute Care/Crisis Stabilization) Nephrology (Inpatient) Nuclear Medicine (Inpatient, Outpatient) Nursery (Inpatient) Obstetrics (Inpatient, Outpatient) Occupational Health (Outpatient) Operating Room (Inpatient, Outpatient) Ophthalmology/Eye Surgery (Inpatient, Outpatient) Oral Maxillofacial Surgery (Inpatient, Outpatient) Orthopedic Surgery (Inpatient, Outpatient) Otolaryngology/Ear, Nose, and Throat (Inpatient, Outpatient) Outpatient Surgery (Outpatient) Pain Management (Inpatient, Outpatient) Pediatric Care (Inpatient, Outpatient) Plastic Surgery (Inpatient, Outpatient) Podiatry (Inpatient, Outpatient) Post Anesthesia Care Unit (PACU) (Inpatient, Outpatient) Pulmonary Function Lab (Inpatient, Outpatient) Radiation Oncology (Inpatient, Outpatient) Recovery/Infirmary (Outpatient) Rehabilitation and Physical Medicine (Inpatient, Outpatient) Respiratory Care (Ventilator) (Inpatient) Rheumatology (Inpatient, Outpatient) Sleep Center (Outpatient) Telemetry (Inpatient) Thoracic Surgery (Inpatient, Outpatient) Ultrasound (Inpatient, Outpatient) Urgent Care/Emergency Medicine (Outpatient) Urology (Inpatient, Outpatient) Vascular Surgery (Inpatient, Outpatient) Wound Care (Inpatient)



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neurology (Inpatient, Outpatient) Neurosurgery (Inpatient)
Middlesex Hospital Behavioral Health, Old Saybrook 1250 Boston Post Road Old Saybrook, CT 06475	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Behavioral Health (Non 24 Hour Care - Adult)
Middlesex Hospital Family Practice Residency Office 90 South Main Street Middletown, CT 06457	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi Specialty Group Practice (Outpatient)
Middlesex Hospital Family Practice Residency Office 42 East High Street East Hampton, CT 06424	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi Specialty Group Practice (Outpatient)
Middlesex Hospital Family Practice Residency Office 595 Main Street Portland, CT 06480	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi Specialty Group Practice (Outpatient)
Middlesex Hospital Homecare 5 Pequot Park Road Suite 204 Westbrook, CT 06498	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home Health, Non-Hospice Services Personal Care/Support Non-Hospice
Middlesex Hospital Homecare 770 Saybrook Road Middletown, CT 06457	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home Health, Non-Hospice Services Personal Care/Support Non-Hospice
Middlesex Hospital Homecare Hospice Program 28 Crescent Street Middletown, CT 06457	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hospice Care Inpatient Symptom Relief Respite Care
Middlesex Hospital Outpatient Center 534 Saybrook Road Middletown, CT 06457	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Outpatient Services (Outpatient)
Middlesex Medical Center Marlborough 14 Jones Hollow Road Marlborough, CT 06447	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anesthesia (Outpatient) General Outpatient Services (Outpatient)
Middlesex Medical Center Shoreline 260 Westbrook Road Essex, CT 06426	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anesthesia (Outpatient) General Outpatient Services (Outpatient)
Middlesex MultiSpecialty Group 80 South Main Street Middletown, CT 06457	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi Specialty Group Practice (Outpatient)
Middlesex MultiSpecialty Group 21 Pleasant Street Middletown, CT 06457	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multi Specialty Group Practice (Outpatient)



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Middlesex Surgical Center 530 Saybrook Road Middletown, CT 06457	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ambulatory Surgery Center (Outpatient) • Anesthesia (Outpatient)
Rehabilitation Services and Hand Therapy 6 Independence Drive Suite 1 Marlborough, CT 06447	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Outpatient Services (Outpatient)
Rehabilitation Services and Hand Therapy 192 Westbrook Road Essex, CT 06426	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi Specialty Group Practice (Outpatient)










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Behavioral Health Care

Safety Goals	Organizations Should	Implemented
Improve the accuracy of the identification of individuals served.	Use of Two Identifiers	
Reduce the risk of health care-associated infections.	Meeting Hand Hygiene Guidelines	
Accurately and completely reconcile medications across the continuum of care.	Comparing Current and Newly Ordered Medications	
	Communicating Medications to the Next Provider	
	Providing a Reconciled Medication List to the Patient	
	Settings in Which Medications are Minimally Used	
The organization identifies safety risks inherent in the population of the individuals it serves.	Identifying Individuals at Risk for Suicide	











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Home Care

Safety Goals	Organizations Should	Implemented
Improve the accuracy of patient identification.	Use of Two Patient Identifiers	
Reduce the risk of health care-associated infections.	Meeting Hand Hygiene Guidelines	
Accurately and completely reconcile medications across the continuum of care.	Comparing Current and Newly Ordered Medications	
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Reduce the risk of patient harm resulting from falls.	Implementing a Fall Reduction Program	
The organization identifies safety risks inherent in its patient population.	Identifying Risks Associated with Home Oxygen	



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Hospital






Safety Goals	Organizations Should	Implemented
Improve the accuracy of patient identification.	Use of Two Patient Identifiers	
	Eliminating Transfusion Errors	
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	
Reduce the risk of health care-associated infections.	Meeting Hand Hygiene Guidelines	
	Preventing Multi-Drug Resistant Organism Infections	
	Preventing Central-Line Associated Blood Stream Infections	
	Preventing Surgical Site Infections	
Accurately and completely reconcile medications across the continuum of care.	Comparing Current and Newly Ordered Medications	
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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	



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Measure Area	Explanation	Nationwide	Statewide
Heart Attack Care	This category of evidence based measures assesses the overall quality of care provided to Heart Attack (AMI) patients.		

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Measure	Explanation	Hospital Results	Compared to other Joint Commission Accredited Organizations			
			Nationwide	Average Rate:	Statewide	Average Rate:
			Top 10% Scored at Least:		Top 10% Scored at Least:	
ACE inhibitor or ARB for LVSD*	Heart attack patients who receive either a prescription for a medicine called an "ACE inhibitor" or a medicine called an angiotensin receptor blocker (ARB) when they are discharged from the hospital. This measure reports what percent of heart attack patients who have problems with the heart pumping enough blood to the body were prescribed medicines to improve the heart's ability to pump blood.	 100% of 17 eligible Patients ³	100%	97%	100%	95%
Adult smoking cessation advice/counseling*	Heart attack patients who are given advice about stopping smoking while they are in the hospital. This measure reports what percent of adult heart attack patients are provided advice and/or counseling to quit smoking. Smoking harms the heart, lungs and blood vessels and makes existing heart disease worse. Limitations of measure use - see Accreditation Quality Report User Guide.	 100% of 5 eligible Patients ³	100%	100%	100%	100%
Aspirin at arrival*	Heart attack patients receiving aspirin when arriving at the hospital. This measure reports what percent of heart attack patients receive aspirin within 24 hours before or after they arrive at the hospital. Aspirin is beneficial because it reduces the tendency of blood to clot in blood vessels of the heart and improves survival rates.	 100% of 95 eligible Patients	100%	99%	100%	99%



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Aspirin prescribed at discharge*	Heart attack patients who receive a prescription for aspirin when being discharged from the hospital. This measure reports how often aspirin was prescribed to heart attack patients when they are leaving a hospital. Aspirin is beneficial because it reduces the tendency of blood to clot in blood vessels of the heart and improves survival rates.	 100% of 53 eligible Patients	100%	99%	100%	99%
Beta blocker prescribed at discharge*	Heart attack patients who have a medicine called a "beta blocker" prescribed when they are discharged from the hospital. This measure reports what percent of heart attack patients were prescribed a special type of medicine when leaving the hospital, that has been shown to reduce further heart damage.	 98% of 53 eligible Patients	100%	99%	100%	99%



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Fibrinolytic therapy received within 30 minutes of hospital arrival*	Heart attack patients who receive a medicine that breaks up blood clots (fibrinolytic therapy) within 30 minutes of hospital arrival. This measure reports how quickly heart attack patients were given a medication that breaks up blood clots (fibrinolytic therapy). Breaking up blood clots increases blood flow to the heart. If blood flow is returned to the heart muscle quickly during a heart attack, the risk of death is decreased. The medicine that breaks up clots in the arteries and allows the return of normal blood flow is called fibrinolytic therapy and is used in certain types of heart attacks. It is important that this medicine be given quickly after a heart attack is diagnosed.	 3 ----	100%	61%	---- ³	---- ³
Statin Prescribed at Discharge	Heart attack patients who receive a prescription for a statin medication at discharge. This measure reports what percentage of heart patients who have problems with high cholesterol were prescribed medications to help reduce their "bad" cholesterol.	 8 94% of 32 eligible Patients ----	----	----	----	----



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Adult smoking cessation advice/counseling*	Heart failure patients who are given advice about stopping smoking while they are in the hospital. This measure reports what percent of adult heart failure patients are provided advice and/or counseling to quit smoking. Smoking harms the heart, lungs and blood vessels and makes existing heart disease worse. Limitations of measure use - see Accreditation Quality Report User Guide.	3 100% of 28 eligible Patients ³	100%	99%	100%	100%
Discharge instructions*	Heart failure patients who receive specific discharge instructions about their condition. This measure reports what percent of patients with heart failure are given information about their condition and care when they leave the hospital. Patient education about medicines, diet, activities, and signs to watch for is important in order to prevent further hospitalization. Limitations of measure use - see Accreditation Quality Report User Guide.	 85% of 210 eligible Patients	100%	93%	99%	88%



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LVF assessment*	Heart failure patients who have had the function of the main pumping chamber of the heart (i.e., left ventricle) checked during their hospitalization. This measure reports what percent of patients with heart failure receive an in-depth evaluation of heart muscle function in order to get the right treatment for their heart failure. Limitations of measure use - see Accreditation Quality Report User Guide.	 100% of 349 eligible Patients	100%	99%	100%	99%



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Adult smoking cessation advice/counseling*	Pneumonia patients who are given advice about stopping smoking while they are in the hospital. This measure reports what percent of adult pneumonia patients are provided advice and/or counseling to quit smoking. Smoking harms the heart, lungs and blood vessels and makes existing disease worse. Limitations of measure use - see Accreditation Quality Report User Guide.	 100% of 121 eligible Patients	100%	99%	100%	99%
Blood cultures for pneumonia patients admitted through the Emergency Department.*	Pneumonia patients who were admitted through the Emergency Department who had a blood test in the Emergency Department for the presence of bacteria in their blood. Before antibiotics are given, blood samples are taken to test for the type of infection. This measure reports the percent of pneumonia patients admitted through the Emergency Department who received this test before antibiotics were given.	 97% of 321 eligible Patients	100%	97%	99%	96%
Blood cultures for pneumonia patients in intensive care units.	Pneumonia patients cared for in an intensive care unit that had a blood test for the presence of bacteria in their blood within 24 hours of hospital arrival. This measure reports the percent of pneumonia patients in intensive care units who had a blood culture within 24 hours prior to or after hospital arrival.	 100% of 31 eligible Patients	100%	98%	100%	98%



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			Nationwide	Average Rate:	Statewide	Average Rate:
Initial antibiotic received within 6 hours of hospital arrival*	Pneumonia patients who are given an antibiotic within 6 hours of arriving at the hospital. This measure reports the percent of adult pneumonia patients who are given an antibiotic within 6 hours of arriving at the hospital. Limitations of measure use - see Accreditation Quality Report User Guide.	 98% of 210 eligible Patients	100%	96%	99%	95%
Initial antibiotic selection for CAP in immunocompetent – ICU patient*	Patients in intensive care units who have community-acquired pneumonia who received the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) that has been shown to be effective for community-acquired pneumonia. This measure reports how often patients in intensive care units with community-acquired pneumonia were given the correct antibiotic within 24 hours of hospital arrival, based on recommendations from written guidelines, for the treatment of pneumonia.	 ³ 89% of 9 eligible Patients ³	100%	88%	100%	89%
Initial antibiotic selection for CAP in immunocompetent – non ICU patient*	Patients not in intensive care units who have community-acquired pneumonia who received the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) that has been shown to be effective for community-acquired pneumonia. This measure reports how often patients with community-acquired pneumonia not cared for in intensive care units, were given the correct antibiotic within 24 hours of hospital arrival, based on recommendations from written guidelines, for the treatment of pneumonia.	 98% of 126 eligible Patients	100%	96%	100%	96%



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Pneumonia Care	This category of evidence based measures assesses the overall quality of care provided to Pneumonia patients.		

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		Hospital Results	Top 10% Scored at Least:	Average Rate:	Top 10% Scored at Least:	Average Rate:
Pneumococcal vaccination*	Pneumonia vaccination. This measure reports how many patients 65 years and older were screened and vaccinated to prevent pneumonia.	 99% of 334 eligible Patients	100%	96%	99%	96%



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			Top 10% Scored at Least:	Average Rate:	Top 10% Scored at Least:	Average Rate:
Pneumonia Seasonal Measure Reporting Period: October 2010 - March 2011						
Influenza vaccination	Pneumonia patients in the hospital during flu season (October through March) who were given the influenza vaccination prior to leaving the hospital. This measure reports how often pneumonia patients in the hospital during the flu season were given flu vaccine if needed, prior to leaving the hospital.	<div><div><div></div></div><div>99% of 244 eligible Patients</div></div>	100%	94%	98%	91%



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SCIP - Cardiac	This evidence based measure assesses continuation of beta-blocker therapy in selected surgical patients.		

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		Nationwide		Statewide		
		Hospital Results	Top 10% Scored at Least:	Average Rate:	Top 10% Scored at Least:	Average Rate:
Surgery patients taking a Beta-Blocker before hospital admission who received a Beta-Blocker in the time frame of 24 hours before surgery through the time they were in the recovery room.	This measure reports the number of patients taking a Beta-Blocker medication before hospital admission who received a Beta-Blocker in the time frame of 24 hours before surgery through the time they were in the recovery room. Risk of complications is decreased when the Beta-Blocker is continued during the surgical time frame.	 96% of 359 eligible Patients	100%	96%	100%	95%



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			Top 10% Scored at Least:	Average Rate:	Top 10% Scored at Least:	Average Rate:
Patients having a surgery who received medicine to prevent infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut.*	This measure reports how often patients having surgery received medicine that prevents infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut. Infection is lowest when patients receive antibiotics to prevent infection within one hour before the skin is surgically cut. Note: Not every surgery requires antibiotics and this measure reports on those selected surgeries where evidence/experts have identified that antibiotics would be helpful.	 98% of 778 eligible Patients	100%	98%	99%	97%
Patients having surgery who received the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) which is shown to be effective for the type of surgery performed.*	This measure reports how often patients who had surgery were given the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) that prevents infection which is know to be effective for the type of surgery, based upon the recommendations of experts around the country. Note: Not every surgery requires antibiotics and this measure reports on those selected surgeries where evidence/experts have identified that antibiotics would be helpful.	 98% of 779 eligible Patients	100%	98%	100%	98%



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Patients who had surgery and received appropriate medicine that prevents infection (antibiotic) and the antibiotic was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended.*	This measure reports how often surgery patients whose medicine (an antibiotic) to prevent infection was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended. Giving medicine that prevents infection for more than 24 hours after the end of surgery is not helpful, unless there is a specific reason (for example, fever or other signs of infection). Note: Not every surgery requires antibiotics and this measure reports on those selected surgeries where evidence/experts have identified that antibiotics would be helpful.	 98% of 757 eligible Patients	100%	97%	99%	96%
Patients Having Blood Vessel Surgery*	Overall report of hospital's performance on Surgical Infection Prevention Measure for Blood Vessel Surgery.	 98% of 42 eligible Patients	100%	96%	100%	96%
Patients having blood vessel surgery who received medicine to prevent infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut.*	This measure reports how often patients having blood vessel surgery received medicine that prevents infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut. Infection is lowest when patients receive antibiotics to prevent infection within one hour before the skin is surgically cut.	3 93% of 14 eligible Patients ³	100%	97%	100%	95%
Patients having blood vessel surgery who received the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) which is shown to be effective for this type of surgery.*	This measure reports how often patients who had blood vessel surgery were given the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) that prevents infection which is known to be effective for the type of surgery, based upon the recommendations of experts around the country.	3 100% of 14 eligible Patients ³	100%	98%	100%	99%



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Patients who had blood vessel surgery and received appropriate medicine that prevents infection (antibiotic) and the antibiotic was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended.*	This measure reports how often blood vessel surgery patients whose medicine (an antibiotic) to prevent infection was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended. Giving medicine that prevents infection for more than 24 hours after the end of surgery is not helpful, unless there is a specific reason (for example, fever or other signs of infection).	3 100% of 14 eligible Patients ³	100%	93%	100%	92%
Patients Having Colon/Large Intestine Surgery*	Overall report of hospital's performance on Surgical Infection Prevention Measures for Colon/Large Intestine Surgery.	95% of 244 eligible Patients	100%	94%	100%	94%
Patients having colon/large intestine surgery who received medicine to prevent infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut.*	This measure reports how often patients having colon/large intestine surgery received medicine that prevents infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut. Infection is lowest when patients receive antibiotics to prevent infection within one hour before the skin is surgically cut.	99% of 82 eligible Patients	100%	96%	100%	96%
Patients having colon/large intestine surgery who received the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) which is shown to be effective for this type of surgery.*	This measure reports how often patients who had colon/large intestine surgery were given the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) that prevents infection which is known to be effective for the type of surgery, based upon the recommendations of experts around the country.	90% of 82 eligible Patients	100%	93%	100%	92%



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Patients who had colon/large intestine surgery and received appropriate medicine that prevents infection (antibiotic) and the antibiotic was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended.*	This measure reports how often colon/large intestine surgery patients whose medicine (an antibiotic) to prevent infection was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended. Giving medicine that prevents infection for more than 24 hours after the end of surgery is not helpful, unless there is a specific reason (for example, fever or other signs of infection).	 96% of 80 eligible Patients	100%	93%	100%	93%
Patients Having Hip Joint Replacement Surgery*	Overall report of hospital's performance on Surgical Infection Prevention Measures for Hip Joint Replacement Surgery.	 98% of 765 eligible Patients	100%	98%	100%	98%
Patients having hip joint replacement surgery who received medicine to prevent infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut.*	This measure reports how often patients having hip joint replacement surgery received medicine that prevents infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut. Infection is lowest when patients receive antibiotics to prevent infection within one hour before the skin is surgically cut.	 98% of 259 eligible Patients	100%	98%	100%	98%
Patients having hip joint replacement surgery who received the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) which is shown to be effective for this type of surgery.*	This measure reports how often patients who had hip joint replacement surgery were given the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) that prevents infection which is known to be effective for the type of surgery, based upon the recommendations of experts around the country.	 99% of 259 eligible Patients	100%	100%	100%	100%



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Patients who had hip joint replacement surgery and received appropriate medicine that prevents infection (antibiotic) and the antibiotic was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended.*	This measure reports how often hip joint replacement surgery patients whose medicine (an antibiotic) to prevent infection was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended. Giving medicine that prevents infection for more than 24 hours after the end of surgery is not helpful, unless there is a specific reason (for example, fever or other signs of infection).	 98% of 247 eligible Patients	100%	97%	100%	96%
Patients Having a Hysterectomy*	Overall report of hospital's performance on Surgical Infection Prevention Measure for Hysterectomy Surgery.	 97% of 377 eligible Patients	100%	97%	100%	96%
Patients having hysterectomy surgery who received medicine to prevent infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut.*	This measure reports how often patients having hysterectomy surgery received medicine that prevents infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut. Infection is lowest when patients receive antibiotics to prevent infection within one hour before the skin is surgically cut.	 97% of 126 eligible Patients	100%	98%	100%	97%
Patients having hysterectomy surgery who received the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) which is shown to be effective for this type of surgery.*	This measure reports how often patients who had hysterectomy surgery were given the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) that prevents infection which is known to be effective for the type of surgery, based upon the recommendations of experts around the country.	 97% of 127 eligible Patients	100%	96%	100%	94%



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Patients who had hysterectomy surgery and received appropriate medicine that prevents infection (antibiotic) and the antibiotic was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended.*	This measure reports how often hysterectomy surgery patients whose medicine (an antibiotic) to prevent infection was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended. Giving medicine that prevents infection for more than 24 hours after the end of surgery is not helpful, unless there is a specific reason (for example, fever or other signs of infection).	 97% of 124 eligible Patients	100%	97%	100%	97%
Patients Having Knee Joint Replacement Surgery*	Overall report of hospital's performance on Surgical Infection Prevention Measures for Knee Joint Replacement Surgery.	 99% of 886 eligible Patients	100%	99%	100%	98%
Patients having knee joint replacement surgery who received medicine to prevent infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut.*	This measure reports how often patients having knee joint replacement surgery received medicine that prevents infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut. Infection is lowest when patients receive antibiotics to prevent infection within one hour before the skin is surgically cut.	 98% of 297 eligible Patients	100%	98%	100%	98%
Patients having knee joint replacement surgery who received the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) which is shown to be effective for this type of surgery.*	This measure reports how often patients who had knee joint replacement surgery were given the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) that prevents infection which is known to be effective for the type of surgery, based upon the recommendations of experts around the country.	 100% of 297 eligible Patients	100%	100%	100%	100%



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Patients who had knee joint replacement surgery and received appropriate medicine that prevents infection (antibiotic) and the antibiotic was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended.*	This measure reports how often knee joint replacement surgery patients whose medicine (an antibiotic) to prevent infection was stopped within 24 hours after the surgery ended. Giving medicine that prevents infection for more than 24 hours after the end of surgery is not helpful, unless there is a specific reason (for example, fever or other signs of infection).	 98% of 292 eligible Patients	100%	97%	100%	98%
Patients Having Open Heart Surgery other than Coronary Artery Bypass Graft*	Overall report of hospital's performance on Surgical Infection Prevention Measures for Open Heart Surgery.	 3 ----	100%	99%	100%	98%
Patients having open heart surgery other than coronary artery bypass graft who received medicine to prevent infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut.*	This measure reports how often patients having open heart surgery other than coronary artery bypass graft received medicine that prevents infection (an antibiotic) within one hour before the skin was surgically cut. Infection is lowest when patients receive antibiotics to prevent infection within one hour before the skin is surgically cut.	 3 ----	100%	98%	100%	98%
Patients having open heart surgery other than coronary artery bypass graft who received the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) which is shown to be effective for this type of surgery.*	This measure reports how often patients who had open heart surgery other than coronary artery bypass graft were given the appropriate medicine (antibiotic) that prevents infection which is know to be effective for the type of surgery, based upon the recommendations of experts around the country.	 3 ----	100%	100%	100%	100%



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Patients who had open heart surgery other than coronary artery bypass graft and received appropriate medicine that prevents infection (antibiotic) and the antibiotic was stopped within 48 hours after the surgery ended.*	This measure reports how often open heart surgery other than coronary artery bypass graft patients whose medicine (an antibiotic) to prevent infection was stopped within 48 hours after the surgery ended. Giving medicine that prevents infection for more than 48 hours after the end of surgery is not helpful, unless there is a specific reason (for example, fever or other signs of infection).	3 ----	100%	97%	100%	97%
Heart surgery patients with controlled blood sugar after surgery.	This measure reports the number of heart surgery patients that had a blood sugar of less than 200 on day one and day two after surgery. Infection is lowest in both diabetic and nondiabetic patients when blood sugar is controlled immediately after surgery.	3 ----	99%	95%	98%	95%
Surgery patients with proper hair removal.	This measure reports the number of surgical patients that have had hair at the site of the surgical cut removed properly. Infection is lowest when patients have hair removed with electrical clippers or hair removal cream.	 100% of 1189 eligible Patients	100%	100%	100%	100%
Urinary Catheter Removed	This measure reports the number of surgery patients whose urinary catheter was removed by the end of the second day after surgery.	 93% of 667 eligible Patients	100%	93%	99%	92%



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Measure Area

Explanation

SCIP – Venous Thromboembolism (VTE)

This category of evidenced based measures assesses the use of indicated treatment for the prevention of blood clots in selected surgical patients

Measure	Explanation	Compared to other Joint Commission Accredited Organizations				
		Hospital Results	Nationwide Top 10% Scored at Least:	Average Rate:	Statewide Top 10% Scored at Least:	Average Rate:
Patients having surgery who had treatment prescribed for the prevention of blood clots. Note: Treatment may be medication, stockings, or mechanical devices for exercising the legs.	This measure reports how often patients having surgery had treatment prescribed for the prevention of blood clots. The incidence of blood clots is lowest when patients are treated to prevent them. Note: Not every surgery requires treatment and this measure reports on those selected surgeries where evidence/experts have identified that treatment to prevent blood clots would be helpful.	 100% of 734 eligible Patients	100%	97%	100%	98%
Patients having surgery who received the appropriate treatment to prevent blood clots which is shown to be effective for the type of surgery performed. Note: Treatment may be medication, stockings, or mechanical devices for exercising the legs.	This measure reports how often patients who had surgery were given the appropriate treatment that prevents blood clots which is known to be effective for the type of surgery, based upon the recommendations of experts around the country. Note: Not every surgery requires treatment and this measure reports on those selected surgeries where evidence/experts have identified that treatment to prevent blood clots would be helpful.	 99% of 734 eligible Patients	100%	96%	100%	97%



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CMS Mortality Rates

Hospital

Center for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) Hospital 30-Day Risk Adjusted Death (Mortality) compared to U.S. National Rate
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The U.S. National 30-day Death Rate from Heart Attack = 16%

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	Better Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is lower than U.S. rate)	No Different Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is about the same as U.S. rate or difference is uncertain)	Worse Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is higher than U.S. Rate)
30-Day Death (Mortality) Rates from Heart Attack = 12.4%	Not Available		
Number of Medicare Heart Attack Patients = 325			
Out of 4645 hospitals in U.S.	101 hospitals in the U.S. Better than U.S. National Rate	2740 hospitals in the U.S. No different than U.S. National Rate	36 hospitals in the U.S. Worse than U.S. National Rate
	1768 hospitals in the United States did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		
Out of 31 hospitals in Connecticut	5 hospitals in Connecticut Better than U.S. National Rate	25 hospitals in Connecticut No different than U.S. National Rate	0 hospitals in Connecticut Worse than U.S. National Rate
	1 hospitals in Connecticut did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		

The U.S. National 30-day Death Rate from Heart Failure = 11%

	Better Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is lower than U.S. rate)	No Different Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is about the same as U.S. rate or difference is uncertain)	Worse Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is higher than U.S. Rate)
30-Day Death (Mortality) Rates from Heart Failure = 9.7%	Not Available		
Number of Medicare Heart Failure Patients = 608			
Out of 4841 hospitals in U.S.	194 hospitals in the U.S. Better than U.S. National Rate	3880 hospitals in the U.S. No different than U.S. National Rate	119 hospitals in the U.S. Worse than U.S. National Rate
	648 hospitals in the United States did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		
Out of 32 hospitals in Connecticut	4 hospitals in Connecticut Better than U.S. National Rate	28 hospitals in Connecticut No different than U.S. National Rate	0 hospitals in Connecticut Worse than U.S. National Rate
	0 hospitals in Connecticut did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		

The U.S. National 30-day Death Rate from Pneumonia = 12%

	Better Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is lower than U.S. rate)	No Different Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is about the same as U.S. rate or difference is uncertain)	Worse Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is higher than U.S. Rate)
30-Day Death (Mortality) Rates from Pneumonia = 10.5%	Not Available		
Number of Medicare Pneumonia Patients = 734			

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Out of 4877 hospitals in U.S.	201 hospitals in the U.S. Better than U.S. National Rate	4089 hospitals in the U.S. No different than U.S. National Rate	220 hospitals in the U.S. Worse than U.S. National Rate
	367 hospitals in the United States did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		
Out of 32 hospitals in Connecticut	7 hospitals in Connecticut Better than U.S. National Rate	25 hospitals in Connecticut No different than U.S. National Rate	0 hospitals in Connecticut Worse than U.S. National Rate
	0 hospitals in Connecticut did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		

These percentages were calculated by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services from Medicare data on patients discharged July 2007 through June 2010. They do not include people in Medicare Advantage (Managed care) plans or people who do not have Medicare.

For technical information on 30 Day Risk Adjusted Mortality measures please see user guides.



CMS Readmission Rates

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Center for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) Hospital 30 Day Rate of Readmission compared to U.S. National Rate
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The U.S. National Rate for Readmissions for Heart Attack Patients = 20%

	Better Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted readmissions are lower than U.S. rate)	No Different Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted readmissions are about the same as U.S. rate or difference is uncertain)	Worse Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is higher than U.S. Rate)
30 Day Hospital Readmission Rates from Heart Attack Patients = 20.5%	Not Available		
Number of Medicare Heart Attack Patients = 271			
Out of 4553 hospitals in U.S.	30 hospitals in the U.S. Better than U.S. National Rate	2417 hospitals in the U.S. No different than U.S. National Rate	36 hospitals in the U.S. Worse than U.S. National Rate
	2070 hospitals in the United States did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		
Out of 31 hospitals in Connecticut	0 hospitals in Connecticut Better than U.S. National Rate	29 hospitals in Connecticut No different than U.S. National Rate	0 hospitals in Connecticut Worse than U.S. National Rate
	2 hospitals in Connecticut did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		

The U.S. National Rate for Readmissions for Heart Failure Patients = 25%

	Better Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted readmissions are lower than U.S. rate)	No Different Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted readmissions are about the same as U.S. rate or difference is uncertain)	Worse Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is higher than U.S. Rate)
30 Day Hospital Readmission Rates from Heart Failure Patients = 22.3%	Not Available		
Number of Medicare Heart Failure Patients = 700			
Out of 4857 hospitals in U.S.	117 hospitals in the U.S. Better than U.S. National Rate	3969 hospitals in the U.S. No different than U.S. National Rate	199 hospitals in the U.S. Worse than U.S. National Rate
	572 hospitals in the United States did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		
Out of 32 hospitals in Connecticut	0 hospitals in Connecticut Better than U.S. National Rate	30 hospitals in Connecticut No different than U.S. National Rate	2 hospitals in Connecticut Worse than U.S. National Rate
	0 hospitals in Connecticut did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		

The U.S. National Rate for Readmissions for Pneumonia Patients = 18%

	Better Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted readmissions are lower than U.S. rate)	No Different Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted readmissions are about the same as U.S. rate or difference is uncertain)	Worse Than U.S. National Rate (Adjusted mortality is higher than U.S. Rate)
30 Day Hospital Readmission Rates from Pneumonia Patients = 15.9%	Not Available		

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CMS Readmission Rates

Hospital

Center for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) Hospital 30 Day Rate of Readmission compared to U.S. National Rate
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Number of Medicare Pneumonia Patients = 754

Out of 4897 hospitals in U.S.	45 hospitals in the U.S. Better than U.S. National Rate	4356 hospitals in the U.S. No different than U.S. National Rate	132 hospitals in the U.S. Worse than U.S. National Rate
	364 hospitals in the United States did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		
Out of 32 hospitals in Connecticut	0 hospitals in Connecticut Better than U.S. National Rate	31 hospitals in Connecticut No different than U.S. National Rate	1 hospitals in Connecticut Worse than U.S. National Rate
	0 hospitals in Connecticut did not have enough cases to reliably tell how well they are performing		

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Survey of Patients' Hospital Experiences

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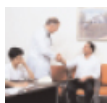
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Survey Date Range	Number of Completed Surveys	Survey Response Rate
April 2010 through March 2011	300 or More	36%

Question			Explanation					
How often did doctors communicate well with patients?			Patients reported how often their doctors communicated well with them during their hospital stay. “Communicated well” means doctors explained things clearly, listened carefully to the patient, and treated the patient with courtesy and respect .					
Doctors “always” communicated well			Doctors “usually” communicated well			Doctors “sometimes” or “never” communicated well		
Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average
80%	78%	80%	16%	17%	15%	4%	5%	5%

Question			Explanation					
How often did nurses communicate well with patients?			Patients reported how often their nurses communicated well with them during their hospital stay. “Communicated well” means nurses explained things clearly, listened carefully to the patient, and treated the patient with courtesy and respect .					
Nurses “always” communicated well			Nurses “usually” communicated well			Nurses “sometimes” or “never” communicated well		
Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average
78%	75%	76%	19%	20%	19%	3%	5%	5%

Question			Explanation					
How often did patients receive help quickly from hospital staff?			Patients reported how often they were helped quickly when they used the call button or needed help in getting to the bathroom or using a bedpan .					
Patients "always" received help as soon as they wanted			Patients "usually" received help as soon as they wanted			Patients "sometimes" or "never" received help as soon as they wanted		
Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average
65%	60%	64%	28%	28%	25%	7%	12%	11%



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How often was patients' pain well controlled?	If patients needed medicine for pain during their hospital stay, the survey asked how often their pain was well controlled. "Well controlled" means their pain was well controlled and that the hospital staff did everything they could to help patients with their pain.								
Pain was "always" well controlled	Pain was "usually" well controlled			Pain was "sometimes" or "never" well controlled					
Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	
70%	68%	69%	25%	24%	24%	5%	8%	7%	

Question	Explanation								
How often did staff explain about medicines before giving them to patients?	If patients were given medicine that they had not taken before, the survey asked how often staff explained about the medicine. "Explained" means that hospital staff told what the medicine was for and what side effects it might have before they gave it to the patient.								
Staff "always" explained	Staff "usually" explained			Staff "sometimes" or "never" explained					
Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	
63%	59%	61%	18%	19%	18%	19%	22%	21%	



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Question			Explanation					
How often were the patients' rooms and bathrooms kept clean?			Patients reported how often their hospital room and bathroom were kept clean .					
Room was "always" clean			Room was "usually" clean			Room was "sometimes" or "never" clean		
Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average
79%	70%	72%	16%	21%	19%	5%	9%	9%

Question			Explanation					
How often was the area around patients' rooms kept quiet at night?			Patients reported how often the area around their room was quiet at night .					
"Always" quiet at night			"Usually" quiet at night			"Sometimes" or "never" quiet at night		
Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average
54%	49%	58%	37%	34%	31%	9%	17%	11%

Question			Explanation		
Were patients given information about what to do during their recovery at home?			The survey asked patients about information they were given when they were ready to leave the hospital. Patients reported whether hospital staff had discussed the help they would need at home . Patients also reported whether they were given written information about symptoms or health problems to watch for during their recovery .		
Yes, staff did give patients this information			No, staff did not give patients this information		
Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average
83%	82%	82%	17%	18%	18%



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Question	Explanation								
How do patients rate the hospital overall?	After answering all other questions on the survey, patients answered a separate question that asked for an overall rating of the hospital. Ratings were on a scale from 0 to 10, where "0" means "worst hospital possible" and "10" means "best hospital possible."								
Patients who gave a rating of 9 or 10 (high)			Patients who gave a rating of 7 or 8 (medium)			Patients who gave a rating of 6 or lower (low)			
Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	
74%	66%	68%	20%	25%	23%	6%	9%	9%	

Question	Explanation								
Would patients recommend the hospital to friends and family?	The survey asked patients whether they would recommend the hospital to their friends and family.								
YES, patients would definitely recommend the hospital			YES, patients would probably recommend the hospital			NO, patients would not recommend the hospital (they probably would not or definitely would not recommend it)			
Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	Hospital Rate	State Average	National Average	
79%	71%	70%	18%	24%	25%	3%	5%	5%	