



CareChex[®] Study Recognizes Nation’s Top Quality Health Systems for Cardiac Care

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CareChex, a division of Comparion Medical Analytics, released a new study which identifies the nation’s highest quality health systems for providing cardiac services. The study analyzed three (3) years of data from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality using the company’s patent-pending quality rating methodology. The methodology evaluates hospital adherence to clinical processes which represent the best standard of care and outcome performance on rates of mortality, complications, and patient safety events.

The study recognized health systems whose quality performance was in the top 10% nationally for the following three (3) clinical categories: overall cardiac care, heart attack treatment, and heart failure treatment. According to Dr. Thane Forthman, president and CEO of Comparion, “Assessment of health system performance for overall cardiac care included an evaluation of 32 medical conditions and 24 non-major surgeries such as defibrillator implants, pacemaker implants, angioplasties, and stents.” The study did not include the evaluation of major cardiac surgeries such as heart bypass. Forthman added, “Given consumers’ particular interest in the successful treatment of heart attacks and congestive heart failure, we displayed health system performance for these subsets of cardiac care separately.”

The top quality health systems for each category are identified in rank order below.

OVERALL CARDIAC CARE – TOP 10% IN NATION		
<u>National Rank</u>	<u>Health System</u>	<u>Location</u>
1	Community Healthcare System	Hammond, IN
2	Memorial Healthcare System	Hollywood, FL
3	Mount Sinai Health System	New York, NY
4	Sisters of Charity Health System	Cleveland, OH
5	Scripps Health	San Diego, CA
6	WellStar Health System	Marietta, GA
7	Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare	Wheaton, IL
8	Advocate Health Care	Downers Grove, IL
9	St. Elizabeth Healthcare	Edgewood, KY
10	Oakwood Healthcare	Dearborn, MI
11	HealthEast Care System	Saint Paul, MN
12	BayCare Health System	Clearwater, FL
13	Sentara Healthcare	Norfolk, VA
14	Houston Methodist	Houston, TX

HEART ATTACK TREATMENT – TOP 10% IN NATION

<u>National Rank</u>	<u>Health System</u>	<u>Location</u>
1	St. Elizabeth Healthcare	Edgewood, KY
2	Sisters of Charity Health System	Cleveland, OH
3	Oakwood Healthcare	Dearborn, MI
4	UNC Health Care	Chapel Hill, NC
5	Adventist HealthCare	Gaithersburg, MD
6	Scripps Health	San Diego, CA
7	Advocate Health Care	Downers Grove, IL
8	WellStar Health System	Marietta, GA
9	Memorial Healthcare System	Hollywood, FL
10	Banner Health	Phoenix, AZ
11	Allina Health	Minneapolis, MN
12	Kettering Health Network	Dayton, OH

HEART FAILURE TREATMENT – TOP 10% IN NATION

<u>National Rank</u>	<u>Health System</u>	<u>Location</u>
1	Beaumont Health System	Royal Oak, MI
2	Memorial Healthcare System	Hollywood, FL
3	Broward Health	Fort Lauderdale, FL
4	Advocate Health Care	Downers Grove, IL
5	Memorial Hermann Healthcare System	Houston, TX
6	University of Maryland Medical System	Baltimore, MD
7	Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare	Wheaton, IL
8	St. Luke's University Health Network	Bethlehem, PA
9	Methodist Health System	Dallas, TX
10	BJC HealthCare	Saint Louis, MO
11	Avanti Hospitals	El Segundo, CA
12	Mercy Health	Cincinnati, OH

Source: CareChex – Comparion Medical Analytics, Inc.

The study noted only Memorial Healthcare System and Advocate Health Care achieved top performance across all three categories.

About Comparion Medical Analytics

Comparion Medical Analytics is one of the nation's largest privately held healthcare information services companies with corporate headquarters in Greenville, SC and medical advisory services in Baltimore, MD. Over 1,000 healthcare professionals across leading academic medical centers, health systems, Fortune 500 companies, and payers rely on Comparion's software solutions to assess the cost and quality of medical services delivered across the continuum of care.

CareChex, a division of Comparion, specializes in rating and ranking the quality of hospital and physician care using both public and proprietary measures of performance including process of care, outcomes of care, and patient satisfaction.