

12 Area Hospitals and Ambulatory Surgery Center Receive Distinguished Honor for Quality and Safety from Employer Healthcare Coalition

Recognized for Leapfrog Survey and Safety Grade Performance Excellence

PHILADELPHIA, PA— (April 19, 2023)— The Greater Philadelphia Business Coalition on Health (GPBCH) is honoring 12 regional hospitals and one ambulatory surgery center (ASC) with 2022 GPBCH Regional Quality and Safety Awards, recognizing performance excellence in quality and safety. The awards ceremony will take place on April 19th at the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia. Hosted by GPBCH and the Health Care Improvement Foundation, this annual event brings together healthcare leaders and employers to discuss the value of the Leapfrog Hospital Survey, ASC Survey and Safety Grade in driving real progress towards a safer, higher-quality, more transparent health care system for all and to recognize top performing hospitals and ASCs in the region.

"Public availability of measures of quality of care and patient safety is more important than ever, as the COVID pandemic severely stretched provider resources and many facilities continue to face staffing shortages," states GPBCH President and CEO Neil Goldfarb. "We applaud those provider organizations that not only were brave enough to make their data available to the employers we represent and to the larger public, but also to those who by doing so are able to demonstrate excellent performance."

GPBCH, an employer coalition with 53 members representing more than 1.5 million covered lives, serves as the Leapfrog Regional Leader for southeastern Pennsylvania and Delaware, and also tracks Leapfrog data for southern New Jersey, where the New Jersey Healthcare Quality Institute serves as Leapfrog Regional Leader. To qualify for the 2022 GPBCH Regional Quality and Safety Hospital Award, a hospital must have reported on all applicable measures on the 2022 Leapfrog Hospital Survey, must have Achieved the Standard for at least 10 out of 14 particular Survey measures, and received a "B" or higher for the spring and fall 2022 Safety Grade. For an ASC to qualify for the 2022 GPBCH Regional Quality and Safety ASC Award, an ASC must have Achieved the Standard for at least 7 of 10 particular measures on the 2022 Leapfrog ASC Survey.

Listed below are the hospitals and ASC that have met the criteria to receive a 2022 GPBCH Regional Quality & Safety Award, recognizing performance excellence in Leapfrog quality and safety measures.

Hospital Awardees

Bayhealth Hospital Sussex Campus
Doylestown Hospital
Einstein Medical Center Montgomery
Inspira Medical Center Mullica Hill
Inspira Medical Center Vineland
Jefferson Bucks Hospital
Jefferson Torresdale Hospital
Jefferson Stratford Hospital
Jefferson Washington Township Hospital
Lower Bucks Hospital
St. Luke's Hospital - Upper Bucks Campus
Virtua Marlton Hospital

ASC Awardee

St. Luke's Endoscopy Center – Buxmont

"As Board Chair for GPBCH, I want to thank all of the hospitals and ASCs that publicly disclose information on their performance on healthcare quality, safety, and cost metrics. This transparency helps employers assess and improve the value of care they are paying for, and supports employees and other community members who are seeking the best possible hospital care for non-emergent conditions," remarks Marsha Greene-Jones, Deputy Human Resources Director, City of Philadelphia.

About the Greater Philadelphia Business Coalition on Health

The Greater Philadelphia Business Coalition on Health (GPBCH) seeks to increase the value of health benefit spending for the region's employers. We do this by improving workforce and community health, increasing healthcare quality and safety, and reducing health care costs. The Coalition represents employer interests in working with health plans, health care providers, benefits consultants, suppliers and other system stakeholders to address population health priorities and to ensure that when health care is needed it is accessible, affordable, equitable, high-quality, and safe.

About Health Care Improvement Foundation

The Health Care Improvement Foundation (HCIF), an independent non-profit organization based in Philadelphia, provides program support and coordination for Partnership for Patient Care (PPC) initiatives. HCIF's mission is to drive high-value health care through stakeholder collaboration and targeted quality improvement initiatives.

About The Leapfrog Group

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, <u>The Leapfrog Group</u> is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps for patient safety. The flagship <u>Leapfrog Hospital Survey</u> and <u>Leapfrog Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) Survey</u> collect and <u>transparently report</u> hospital and ASC performance, empowering purchasers to find the highest-value care and giving consumers the lifesaving information they need to make informed decisions. The <u>Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade</u>, Leapfrog's other main initiative, assigns letter grades to hospitals based on their record of patient safety, helping consumers protect themselves and their families from errors, injuries, accidents, and infections.

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