

Fall 2026

Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade Town Hall Call

September 2026

Following the session, a copy of the slides and recording will be posted and available for download on the Safety Grade Website here:
<https://www.hospitalsafetygrade.org/for-hospitals/key-dates-and-information>

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What is the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade?

- The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade is an A, B, C, D, or F letter grade reflecting how safe hospitals are for patients.
- The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade launched in June 2012.
- The Grade is issued two times per year: Spring and Fall. This fall will be the 30th release.
- More information is available at www.HospitalSafetyGrade.org

Who is eligible for a Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade?

General acute care hospitals with enough publicly reported data

- Hospitals missing measure scores for more than **6** process/structural measures OR more than **5** outcome measures or **PSI 90** do not receive a grade. A measure score for PSI 90 is required.

The Leapfrog Group is unable to calculate a Hospital Safety Grade for certain types of hospitals due to missing CMS data:

- Critical Access Hospitals (CAH)
- Rural Emergency Hospitals (REH)
- PPS-exempt hospitals (i.e., cancer)
- VA Hospitals
- Indian Health Services
- Some specialty hospitals

Leapfrog is not assigning fall 2026 Safety Grades to hospitals that did not submit a 2025 Leapfrog Hospital Survey or 2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey by August 31, 2026.



Measures used in the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade

Measure Selection Criteria

- Measures are publicly-reported from national data sources:
 - Leapfrog Hospital Survey
 - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services data sets
- Measures are endorsed or in use by a national measurement entity
- Measures are linked to patient safety (“freedom from harm”)
 - Directly quantifying patient safety events
 - Assessing processes that lead to better outcomes
 - Identified by experts as important to patient safety

Process and Structural Measures (12)

Measure Name	Primary Data Source	Reporting Period	Secondary Data Source	Reporting Period
Computerized Physician Order Entry (CPOE)	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	2026	Imputation Model*	N/A
Bar Code Medication Administration (BCMA)	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	2026	Imputation Model*	N/A
ICU Physician Staffing (IPS)	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	2026	Imputation Model*	N/A
Safe Practice 1: Culture of Leadership Structures and Systems	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	2026	N/A	N/A
Safe Practice 2: Culture Measurement, Feedback & Intervention	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	2026	N/A	N/A
Total Nursing Care Hours per Patient Day	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025	N/A	N/A
Hand Hygiene	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	2026	Imputation Model*	N/A
H-COMP-1: Nurse Communication	CMS	10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025	N/A	N/A
H-COMP-2: Doctor Communication	CMS	10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025	N/A	N/A
H-COMP-3: Staff Responsiveness	CMS	10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025	N/A	N/A
H-COMP-5: Communication about Medicines	CMS	10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025	N/A	N/A
H-COMP-6: Discharge Information	CMS	10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025	N/A	N/A

*Leapfrog is not assigning fall 2026 Safety Grades to hospitals that did not participate in the 2025 or 2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey. Hospitals with Step 1 imputation will be publicly reported as having a secondary data source of “2025 Leapfrog Hospital Survey” and reporting period of “2025”.

Temporary Removal of H-COMP-3

- This change is expected to impact Fall 2026 ONLY
- CMS temporarily paused the public reporting of Staff Responsiveness (H-COMP-3) on Care Compare.
- Therefore, Staff Responsiveness (H-COMP-3) was not used in calculating fall 2026 Safety Grades and is reported as “Not Available” for all hospitals on the public website.
- A temporary weighting adjustment involving H-COMP-1 was also adopted and is detailed in a later slide.

Outcome Measures (10)

Measure Name		Primary Data Source	Reporting Period	Secondary Data Source	Reporting Period
Foreign Object Retained		CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024	N/A	N/A
Air Embolism		CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024	N/A	N/A
Falls and Trauma		CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024	N/A	N/A
CLABSI	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey		01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025	CMS	10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025
CAUTI	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey		01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025	CMS	10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025
SSI: Colon	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey		01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025	CMS	10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025
MRSA	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey		01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025	CMS	10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025
C. Diff.	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey		01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025	CMS	10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025
PSI 4: Death rate among surgical inpatients with serious treatable conditions		CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024	N/A	N/A
CMS Medicare PSI 90: Patient safety and adverse events composite*		CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024	N/A	N/A

*Note: CMS calculates PSI 90 using the ten (10) component PSIs listed above. While scores for each of the 10 component PSIs will NOT be used to directly calculate spring 2026 Hospital Safety Grades, they will be publicly reported on the Hospital Safety Grade [website](#).

Upcoming Replacement of PSI 4

- CMS plans to replace PSI 4 with a new claims-based measure in October:

The Thirty-day Risk-Standardized Death Rate among Surgical Inpatients with Complications (Failure-to-Rescue)

- To align, Leapfrog will replace the PSI 4 measure with the Failure-to-Rescue measure in the spring 2027 Safety Grade and beyond
- The first reporting period will be 07/01/2023- 06/30/2025

Leapfrog Hospital Survey Measures

- The Leapfrog Group works with national experts to establish standards to which participating hospitals are measured against.
- Leapfrog sets standards using peer-reviewed literature and expert opinion, peer comparisons, and alignment with existing national standards or performance targets.
- For the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade program, these performance categories are converted to measure scores for 7 measures.

Progress towards meeting Leapfrog standards:

	Achieved the Standard
	Considerable Achievement
	Some Achievement
	Limited Achievement
	Did not submit a Leapfrog Survey
DOES NOT APPLY	This measure is not applicable to this facility
DID NOT MEASURE	Facility reported not collecting data on this measure
UNABLE TO CALCULATE	Sample size too small to calculate score
NOT AVAILABLE	CMS not accredited for the measure

Survey Results are publicly reported at Ratings.Leapfroggroup.org

A selection of Survey measures are used in the Safety Grade program

Total Nursing Care Hours Per Patient Day Leapfrog Performance Categories	Measure Score
Achieved the Standard	100
Considerable Achievement	70
Some Achievement	40
Limited Achievement	15
Did Not Measure	15
Unable to Calculate Score	Not Available
Does Not Apply	Not Available

Fall 2026 Data Sources and Reporting Periods

For Hospitals that Submitted a 2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey by August 31, 2026:

Leapfrog Hospital Survey Measures

- ☐ CPOE, BCMA, IPS, 2 NQF Safe Practices, and Hand Hygiene displayed as “2026”
- ☐ Total Nursing Care Hours per Patient Day displayed as 01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025

Infection Measures CLABSI, CAUTI, MRSA, C. Diff, and SSI Colon

- ☐ 01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025
- ☐ Downloaded August 25
- ☒ **Uses the 2015 Baseline**
- ☐ Hospitals must have also joined Leapfrog’s NHSN group and provided a valid NHSN ID in the Profile by the download date

Note About Infection Measures

For Hospitals that provide HAI data through the Leapfrog Hospital Survey,

- The fall 2026 Safety Grade used
 - Data downloaded from NHSN on **August 25**
 - With the 2015 Baseline
 - 01/01/2025 - 12/31/2025
- The spring 2027 Safety Grade is expected to use
 - Data downloaded from NHSN on **December 17**
 - With the 2022 Baseline
 - And a 24-month reporting period for small hospitals (proposed, not finalized)
 - Currently open for public comment at <https://www.leapfroggroup.org/survey-materials/scoring-and-results>
 - More than 50 beds*: 07/01/2025 – 06/30/2026
 - 50 or fewer beds*: 07/01/2024 – 06/30/2026

The data that will be used in spring 2027 will first be downloaded on October 22, so please review your data closely in November prior to the final download in December.

Fall 2026 Data Sources and Reporting Periods

For CMS measures:

HCAHPS Measures (Patient Experience)

H-COMP-1, H-COMP-2,
H-COMP-5, & H-COMP-6

- ☐ 10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025
- ☐ July 2026 CMS Care Compare Refresh

Infection Measures

CLABSI, CAUTI, MRSA,
C. Diff, and SSI Colon

- ☐ For hospitals where 2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey Results was not available
- ☐ 10/01/2024 - 09/30/2025
- ☐ July 2026 CMS Care Compare Refresh

DRA HAC Measures

Foreign Object Retained,
Air Embolism, &
Falls and Trauma

- ☐ 07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024
- ☐ 24-months
- ☐ Same data as spring 2026

PSI Measures

PSI 4 & PSI 90
(and publicly reported
PSI 90 component
measures)

- ☐ 07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024
- ☐ 24-months
- ☐ Same data as spring 2026

Note About DRA HAC Reporting Periods

- We anticipated updated DRA HAC rates prior to August 31
- However, CMS announced this summer they would not be publishing updated DRA HAC rates until 4th quarter 2026
- We anticipate having updated data for the spring 2027 Safety Grade with a reporting period of 07/01/2023 - 06/30/2025

Imputation Model

CPOE, BCMA, Hand Hygiene, and IPS

- **STEP 1: Use a Hospital's Most Recent Score on the Measure**
 - If the hospital completed the previous Leapfrog Hospital Survey (i.e., the 2025 Leapfrog Hospital Survey), their most recent Safety Grade measure score will be used
 - On the public website, the reporting period will be displayed as “2025” and the data source as “2025 Leapfrog Hospital Survey”
- **STEP 2: Use Imputation Point Assignment**
 - Leapfrog is not assigning fall 2026 Safety Grades to hospitals that did not participate in the 2025 or 2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey by August 31, 2026.



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The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade Timeline

The Data Snapshot Date

January 31 (Spring Safety Grade) and **August 31** (Fall Safety Grade)

- The date that Leapfrog will extract public data (i.e., download data published by CMS and/or Leapfrog Hospital Survey Results) to calculate Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades
- **All data, including Leapfrog Hospital Survey Results, must be finalized by this date.**
- If CMS publicly publishes updated data within seven (7) business days of the Data Snapshot Date, Leapfrog will utilize the updated data to calculate the Safety Grade.

The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade relies on publicly available data that hospitals have had the opportunity to review for accuracy. Therefore, Leapfrog **does not allow hospitals to make updates to their data following the Data Snapshot Date**

Important Dates for Reviewing/Correcting Data

- **Review your Leapfrog Hospital Survey Results after every (re)submission and every NHSN download date (There are 4 NHSN download dates)**
 - The Survey is open from April 1 to November 30. The Submission Deadline is June 30. Survey results are published starting July 12 and refreshed in the first 7 business days of every month to allow for corrections and performance improvements.
 - More information is available at <https://www.leapfroggroup.org/survey-materials/deadlines>
 - Hospitals that identify any data entry or reporting errors are instructed to log back into the Survey to submit a correction before the Data Snapshot Date
- **Utilize CMS preview periods**
 - CMS provides hospitals with a 30-day confidential preview period **before** publishing performance data at <https://data.cms.gov/provider-data>. More information is available at <https://qualitynet.org>.

Safety Grade Timeline

Following each Data Snapshot Date:

- **Courtesy Review Period**

- The Review Period is an opportunity for hospitals to review the data for accuracy (i.e., identify recording errors, hospital name and address changes, etc.) on a secure website and review changes to the scoring algorithm.

- **Free Town Hall Call**

- **Letter Grade Embargo Period**

- Following the close of the Courtesy Safety Grade Review Period, Leapfrog finalizes the data and establishes letter grade cut-points. The Safety Grade Review website is refreshed, and hospitals can participate in a Letter Grade Embargo Period in which they can preview their letter grade prior to the public announcement.

- **Public Announcement**

- Safety Grades are published on Leapfrog's public website

Important Note

- The means, standard deviations, measure weights, and numerical score displayed on the Data Review Website during the Courtesy Review Period are **preliminary**.
- Letter grades and cut points will **not be finalized or released on the Data Review Website until the Embargo Period opens in November**.
- A final calculator and numerical score will be available on the Data Review Website at this time.

Why?

During the Courtesy Review Period, hospitals alert us to CCN changes or changes in hospital status (e.g., closures, transition to Critical Access). After accounting for these changes, the means and standard deviations are recalculated using only those hospitals eligible for a Safety Grade. Even slight changes to means and standard deviations result in changes to hospitals' z-scores, weighted measure scores, and ultimately their final numerical scores.

Scoring Overview



Z-Score Methodology

- Standardizes data from individual measures with different scales to allow for comparisons (e.g., a linear mean score of 90 on H-COMP-1: Nurse Communication and a CLABSI SIR of 0.870).
- Counts how many standard deviations a hospital's score on the measure is away from the mean

Negative z-score → worse than the mean

Zero z-score → performance is at the mean

Positive z-score → better than the mean

Calculating Z-Scores

Z-Scores can indicate to a hospital whether their measure score is above, below, or equal to the average hospital.

Process and Structural Measures:

$$\text{Z-Score} = \frac{\text{Hospital's Measure Score} - \text{Mean}}{\text{Standard Deviation}}$$

Outcome Measures:

$$\text{Z-Score} = \frac{\text{Mean} - \text{Hospital's Measure Score}}{\text{Standard Deviation}}$$

Weighting Individual Measures

Each measure included in the Safety Grade is assigned a standard measure weight using four criteria:

- Strength of evidence (rating of 1 or 2)
- Opportunity (rating of 1-3), based on coefficient of variation
- Impact (rating of 1, 2, 3) based on:
 - number of patients possibly affected by the event (0, 1, 2, 3)
 - severity of harm to individual patients (1, 2, 3)
- Number of measures
 - number of measures equals 1 for all measures except for PSI 90 (equals 10) **AND H-COMP-1 (equals 2)**

$$\text{Measure Weight} = \text{Evidence} + (\text{Opportunity} \times \text{Impact} \times \text{Number of Measures})$$

Temporary Weighting Adjustment of H-COMP-1

- This change is expected to impact Fall 2026 ONLY
- CMS paused the public reporting of Staff Responsiveness (H-COMP-3) on Care Compare. In response to this change, Leapfrog temporarily removed the Staff Responsiveness (H-COMP-3) measure and introduced a temporary weighting adjustment.
- Background:
 - Removing the Staff Responsiveness (H-COMP-3) measure, with no other change to the methodology, places a greater weight on all measures in the process and structural domain. This would in turn prompt sudden and impermanent grade fluctuations. Therefore, Leapfrog and its research team, under the guidance of the national expert panel, sought to find a scoring adjustment that would most closely simulate the presence of the measure.
 - The analysis found that the relationship between Staff Responsiveness (H-COMP-3) and Nurse Communication (H-COMP-1) was stronger than the relationship of Staff Responsiveness (H-COMP-3) and the other HCAHPS measures included in the Safety Grade. Staff Responsiveness (H-COMP-3) linear mean scores have a strong positive correlation to Nurse Communication (H-COMP-1) linear mean scores ($R^2 = 0.731$).
- Final Weighting Adjustment
 - Due to this strong relationship, Leapfrog temporarily increased the standard weight of Nurse Communication (H-COMP-1) by increasing the number of component measures from one to two.

Calculating Standard Weights

- Standard measure weights are reported as a percentage and represent the contribution of one measure to the overall numerical score
- Each domain contributes to 50% of the overall letter grade, so each measure weight must also be multiplied by .5

$$\text{Standard Measure Weight} = \frac{\text{Measure Weight}}{\text{Sum of all Measure Weights in the Domain}} \times 50\%$$

Dealing with Missing Data

If a hospital is missing a measure score for any measure, the standard weight of that measure is redistributed to the other measures in the same measure domain. The new weight for each measure within the domain is calculated by re-apportioning the standard weight assigned to the measure with the missing score to other measures within the same domain.

To calculate the new weight, hospitals can use the formula below or use the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade Calculator®, which can be found on the Safety Grade Review Website.

$$\text{Final Measure Weight} = \frac{\text{Measure Weight}}{\text{Sum of Remaining Measure Weights in the Domain}} \times 50\%$$

Note About Extreme Values

- For hospitals that have an “extreme” value for an outcome measure, Leapfrog “trims” the reported value to the 99th percentile.
 - For example, a rate of 0.500 per 1,000 patient discharges for Foreign Object Retained after Surgery is “trimmed” to 0.261 (e.g., the 99th percentile)
 - Only “trimmed” rates are used in scoring and displayed on the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade website
 - Not applicable to PSI 90
- Leapfrog also caps negative z-scores at -5.0 to ensure a single measure does not disproportionately impact the overall Safety Grade

Calculating the Overall Numerical Score

1. Multiply the z-score for each measure by the final measure weight to calculate the weighted measure score
2. Sum all weighted measure scores from Step 1
3. Add 3.0 to the final numerical (this step helps to avoid possible confusion with interpreting negative scores)

Overall Numerical Score=

CPOE z-score × CPOE final weight	+
BCMA z-score × BCMA final weight	+
IPS z-score × IPS final weight	+
...	
+ 3.0	

Hospital Safety Grade Calculator

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Measure Domain	Measure	Enter Your Hospital's Score Here (Do NOT Leave Blanks)	Mean	Standard Deviation	Z-Score ¹		Inputs to Weighting Individual Measures ²				Weight ³		Weighted Measure Score (Modified Z-Score x Final Weight)
					Original Z-Score	Modified Z-Score	Evidence	Opportunity	Impact	Number of Component Measures ⁴	Standard Weight	Final Weight (N/A redistributes)	
Process/Structural Measures	Computerized Physician Order Entry (CPOE)		84.61	31.39	-2.6953	-2.6953	2	1.37	3	1	6.2%	6.2%	-0.1680
	Bar Code Medication Administration (BCMA)		86.68	27.65	-3.1352	-3.1352	2	1.32	3	1	6.1%	6.1%	-0.1904
	ICU Physician Staffing (IPS)		69.72	42.37	-1.6457	-1.6457	2	1.61	3	1	7.0%	7.0%	-0.1145
	Safe Practice 1: Culture of Leadership Structures and Systems		118.57	4.59	-25.8292	-5.0000	1	1.04	2	1	3.1%	3.1%	-0.1569
	Safe Practice 2: Culture Measurement, Feedback, & Intervention		118.43	9.23	-12.8319	-5.0000	1	1.08	2	1	3.2%	3.2%	-0.1609
	Total Nursing Care Hours per Patient Day		81.13	29.21	-2.7772	-2.7772	2	1.36	2	1	4.8%	4.8%	-0.1336
	Hand Hygiene		79.63	34.03	-2.3399	-2.3399	2	1.43	2	1	4.9%	4.9%	-0.1158
	H-COMP-1: Nurse Communication		90.67	2.31	-39.3180	-5.0000	1	1.03	2	2	5.2%	5.2%	-0.2601
	H-COMP-2: Doctor Communication		90.02	2.36	-38.1324	-5.0000	1	1.03	2	1	3.1%	3.1%	-0.1556
	H-COMP-3: Staff Responsiveness†	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%	0.0%	0.0000
	H-COMP-5: Communication about Medicines		75.67	3.82	-19.7829	-5.0000	1	1.05	2	1	3.2%	3.2%	-0.1581
	H-COMP-6: Discharge Information		84.90	3.65	-23.2377	-5.0000	1	1.04	2	1	3.1%	3.1%	-0.1573
Outcome Measures	Foreign Object Retained		0.011	0.04	0.2701	0.2701	1	3.00	2	1	4.2%	4.2%	0.0113
	Air Embolism		0.001	0.01	0.1100	0.1100	1	3.00	1	1	2.4%	2.4%	0.0026
	Falls and Trauma		0.341	0.37	0.9126	0.9126	2	2.10	3	1	5.0%	5.0%	0.0452
	CLABSI		0.531	0.47	1.1343	1.1343	2	1.88	3	1	4.6%	4.6%	0.0518
	CAUTI		0.450	0.42	1.0677	1.0677	2	1.94	3	1	4.7%	4.7%	0.0498
	SSI: Colon		0.788	0.64	1.2262	1.2262	2	1.82	2	1	3.4%	3.4%	0.0413
	MRSA		0.657	0.51	1.2751	1.2751	2	1.78	3	1	4.4%	4.4%	0.0560
	C. Diff.		0.322	0.28	1.1347	1.1347	2	1.88	3	1	4.6%	4.6%	0.0518
	PSI 4: Death rate among surgical inpatients with serious treatable		173.21	24.06	7.1983	7.1983	1	1.14	2	1	2.0%	2.0%	0.1410
	CMS Medicare PSI 90: Patient safety and adverse events composite		1.00	0.20	4.9570	4.9570	1	1.20	2	10	15.0%	15.0%	0.7415
Process Measure Domain Score:		Will populate after entering all data.											
Outcome Measure Domain Score:		Will populate after entering all data.											
Process/Outcome Domains - Combined Score:		Will populate after entering all data.											
Normalized Numerical Score:		Will populate after entering all data.											
Hospital Safety Grade (Letter Grade):		Will not be calculated until after the Safety Grade Review Period. Hospitals will be notified via email when the letter grades are posted.											

The Data Review Website

Used during the Courtesy Review Period
and Letter Grade Embargo Period



Accessing the Data Review Website

- A secure website for hospitals to preview their Safety Grade data
- Go to <http://www.HospitalSafetyGrade.org/data-review>
- Usernames and passwords are:
 - Emailed to the primary Survey contact and CEO for Leapfrog Hospital Survey participants
 - Mailed to hospital CEOs for hospitals that did not complete the most recent Leapfrog Hospital Survey
- You can also retrieve your username and password via the Help Desk.

Step 1. Review Hospital Information

*Is the hospital name and address displayed above correct?

- ☒ Info above is correct
☐ Info above is NOT correct

*Is the hospital's CMS Certification Number (CCN) **01-0118** correct?

- ☐ CCN is correct
☐ CCN is NOT correct (*If the CCN is not correct, please [contact the Help Desk](#) immediately.*)

CEO First Name*

CEO Last Name*

CEO Email Address*

1. Confirm your hospital's name & address
2. Confirm your hospital's CCN
3. Enter your CEO's contact information
 - We will notify them via email when the Letter Grade Embargo Period opens, along with other important deadlines. Ensure that the email address is accurate to avoid missing important notifications.
 - **If your hospital submitted a 2065 Leapfrog Hospital Survey, please note:** that we do not add their information to our database. If your CEO has changed, please update your hospital's Profile in the [Leapfrog Hospital Survey](#).

Step 2. Review Source Data

- If your hospital is eligible for a Safety Grade, the updated methodology document and calculator will be available for download on this page
- The first table contains results for each measure used in the Hospital Safety Grade, along with links to the data source and the reporting period

Name of the Measure	Type of Measure	Data Source/Links	Reporting Period	Measure Score
Computerized Physician Order Entry (CPOE)	Structure/ Process	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	2026	100
Bar Code Medication Administration (BCMA)	Structure/ Process	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	2026	75
ICU Physician Staffing (IPS)	Structure/ Process	2026 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	2026	100

Note about Source Data Tables

Footnotes indicate if imputation was used, values were trimmed, or an extraordinary footnote will appear on the public website with your data

Air Embolism	Outcome	CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024	0.000
Falls and Trauma	Outcome	CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024	1.777*

***Trim value:** The measure score has been trimmed to the 99th percentile. Refer to A Note About Extreme Values in the [Scoring Methodology](#) document above.

****Imputed score:** The measure score has been imputed using historical data. Refer to Using Secondary Data Sources in the Scoring Methodology document above.

#Extraordinary Circumstances Footnote: This measure score will be publicly reported with the following footnote, "Results are based on limited data due to a reported cybersecurity event, natural disaster, or a CMS Extraordinary Circumstance."



Note about Source Data Tables

The second table contains PSI 90 component measures that are not directly used to calculate the Hospital Safety Grade but will be publicly reported on the website

PSI 90 Components

CMS calculates PSI 90 using the ten (10) component PSIs that are listed in the table below. While the scores for each of the component PSIs will NOT be used to calculate the Hospital Safety Grades, they will be publicly reported on the Hospital Safety Grade [website](#). To verify your hospital's PSI 90 Component scores, use the text links in the Data Source/Links column.

Component PSI	Data Source/Links	Reporting Period	Component Score (not used in numerical score)
PSI 3: Pressure ulcer rate	CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024	0.44
PSI 6: Iatrogenic pneumothorax rate	CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024	0.20
PSI 8: In-hospital fall with hip fracture rate	CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024	0.39

Step 3. Enter Your Information

Reviewer Information

Please note you will be added to our hospital newsletter and receive all future announcements related to the Hospital Safety Grade program. [Sign others up for our hospital newsletter here.](#)

Reviewer First Name*

Reviewer Last Name*

Reviewer Title*

Reviewer Email Address*

Reviewer Phone Number*

Step 4. View Numerical Score

- Remember that the numerical scores posted during the Safety Grade Review Period are **preliminary** as changes do occur during the Safety Grade Review Period.
- Final numerical scores will be posted, along with the letter grade, at least two weeks prior to the public announcement.
- Hospitals will be alerted via an email sent to the addresses provided in the Contact and Reviewer Information fields.

My Score	My Letter Grade
2.7453	TBD
More Information	
Review Instructions and Scoring Methodology	
Hospital Safety Grade Calculator	
Changes in Measure Weights	

What if the Measure Score Doesn't Match the Public Report?

- Hospitals should double check the following information before contacting the [Help Desk](#):
 - **Data source** - the data source listed on the Safety Grade Review Website is what you are referring to when verifying your measure score. You should be using the direct links provided in your Source Data table. For example, if Leapfrog Hospital Survey is listed as the data source for the HAI measures, and you are referring to the CMS HAI data when verifying your measure score, it will not match because that data was not used.
 - **Measure** - the measure listed on the Safety Grade Review Website is what you are referring to when verifying your measure score.
 - **Reporting period** - the reporting period listed on the Safety Grade Review Website is what you are referring to when verifying your measure score.
- When you contact the Help Desk about a potential discrepancy, you must include a copy of the public report or a screenshot that shows a different score for the measure. Please be sure the data source, measure name, and reporting period are visible in the screenshot. If we find a recording error, we will update the measure score and numerical score before assigning a Letter Grade. You will see an updated numerical score during the Letter Grade Embargo Period.
- Discrepancies must be reported during the Courtesy Review Period.



Public Reporting

Screenshots taken from Safety Grade
website reflect spring 2026 Safety Grades

Hospital Safety Grade Public Website

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Your Hospital's
Safety Grade

What You Can Do
to Stay Safe

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How Safe is Your Hospital?

Search below to find the spring 2026 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade of your general hospital.

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City

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How Safe is Your Hospital?

Search by Hospital

Virginia Mason Medical Center

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Hospital Matches

1 hospital matching hospital name Virginia Mason Medical Center

List

Map

Sort by Grade

his Hospital's Grade

STRAIGHT
A

SPRING 2026

Virginia Mason Medical Center
1100 Ninth Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101-2756
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Hospital Matches

25 hospitals matching seattle, WA

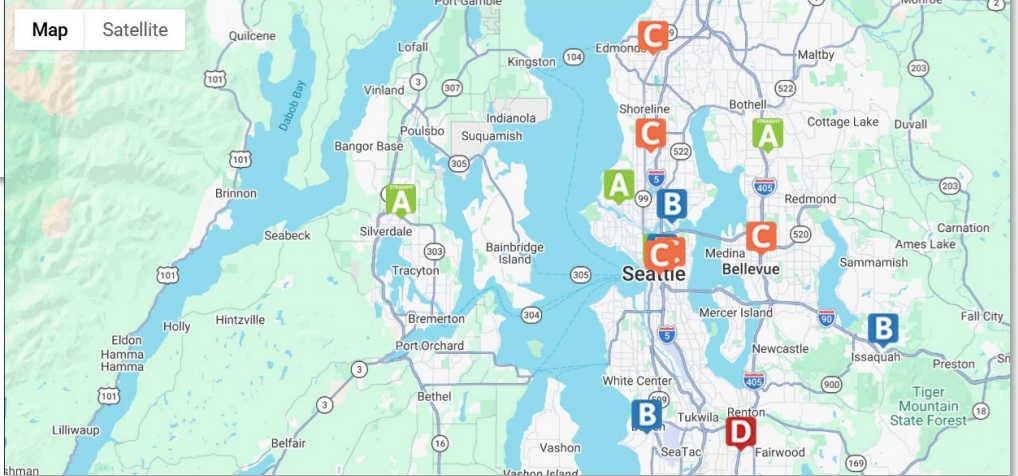
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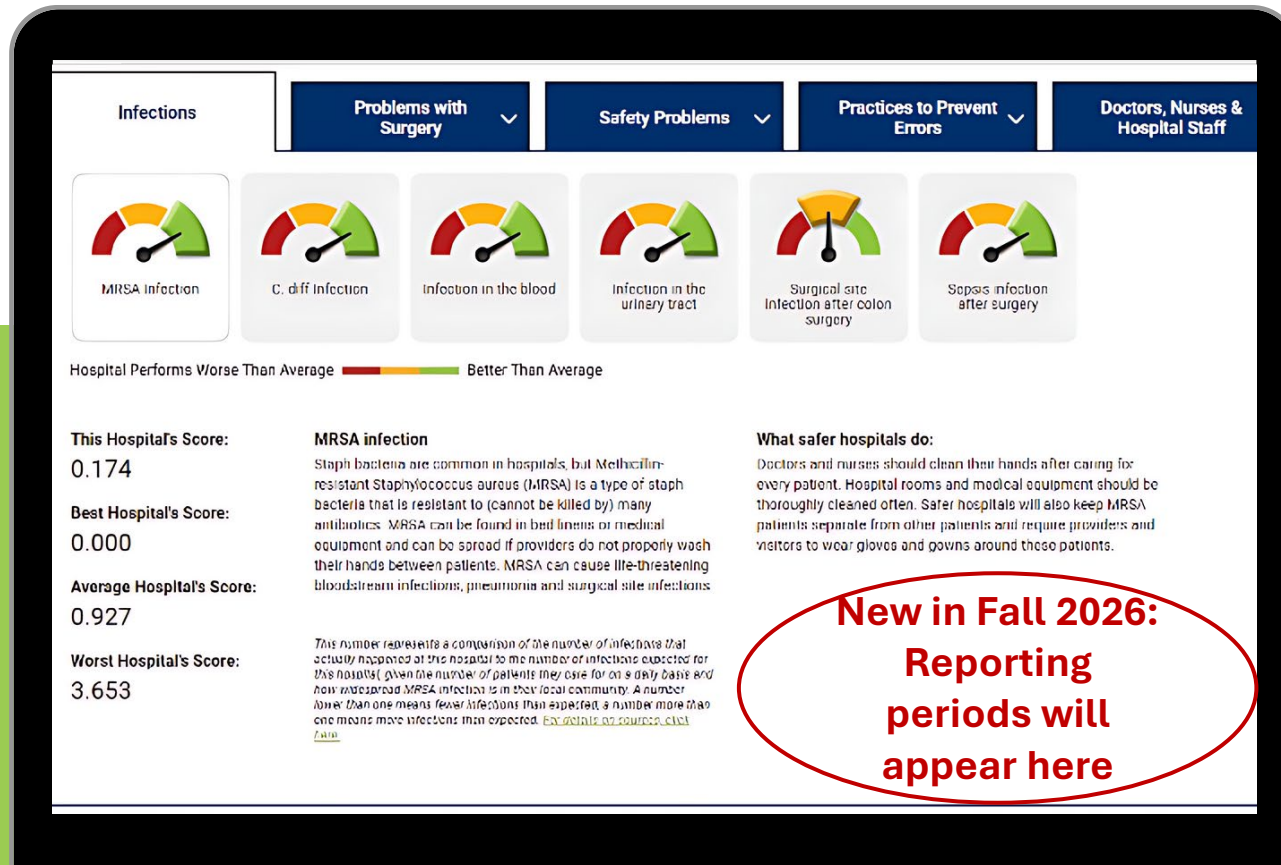
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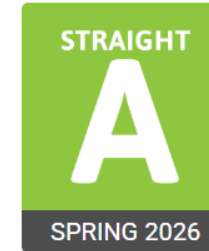
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Hospital Grades and Measure Scores



New in Fall 2026:
Reporting periods will appear here

This Hospital's Grade



Virginia Mason Medical Center

1100 Ninth Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101-2756

[Map and Directions](#)

Note: This hospital completed the Leapfrog Hospital Survey. For more information about this hospital, [view their Survey results.](#)

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[Detailed table view](#)



Detailed Table View

Outcomes measures include errors, accidents, and injuries that this hospital has publicly reported.

Measure	The Hospital's Score	Worst Performing Hospital	Avg. Performing Hospital	Best Performing Hospital	Data Source	Time Period Covered
Dangerous object left in patient's body What's This?	0.122	0.261	0.011	0.000	CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024
Air or gas bubble in the blood What's This?	0.000	0.050	0.001	0.000	CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024
Patient falls and injuries What's This?	0.245	1.748	0.339	0.000	CMS	07/01/2022 - 06/30/2024
Infection in the blood What's This?	0.425	2.335	0.550	0.000	2025 Leapfrog Hospital Survey	07/01/2024 - 06/30/2025

Hospital Matches

1 hospital matching hospital name Baptist Memorial Hospital of Memphis

 List

 Map

Sort by

Grade

This Hospital's Grade

NOT GRADED

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SPRING 2026

Baptist Memorial Hospital of Memphis

6019 Walnut Grove Road
Memphis, TN 38120-2173

[View the full Score](#)

Hospitals that were not graded this round due to missing data, but were in the previous round, will appear in the search results with a “Not Graded” icon.

Planned Updates to the 2027 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade Methodology

On August 14, 2025, Leapfrog published planned updates to the Hospital Safety Grade methodology and held a public comment period through October 14, 2025. [Click here](#) to review the final updates to the methodology.

Starting Spring 2027:

- **CMS' permanent removal of PSI 4:** Leapfrog will remove PSI 4 and add Failure-to-Rescue to the Safety Grade Methodology
- **NHSN update to the SIR model:** HAI measures will likely be calculated using the NHSN 2022 baseline
- **Planned updates to the weighting methodology:** Leapfrog's national expert panel has convened a subcommittee to review the weighting methodology used in the Hospital Safety Grade. If a new weighting methodology is proposed, changes will be released for public comment in 2026 and not incorporated into the Safety Grade until spring 2027.

More Information

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