

Stroke Awards - Coverdell Defect-Free Care

Congratulations to hospitals qualifying to receive an Arkansas Department of Health Defect-Free Care award for the July 2021 – June 2022 program year!

- **Comprehensive Stroke Centers**
 - Diamond
 - University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences
 - Washington Regional Medical Center
 - Pearl
 - Baptist Health Medical Center – Little Rock
- **Primary Stroke Centers**
 - Pearl
 - Mercy Hospital Fort Smith
 - Northwest Medical Center – Springdale
 - Wadley Regional Medical Center
- **Arkansas Stroke Ready Hospitals/Acute Stroke Ready Hospitals**
 - Diamond
 - Drew Memorial Hospital
 - Mercy Hospital Booneville
 - St. Mary's Regional Medical Center
 - Ruby
 - St. Bernards - Five Rivers Medical Center
 - Pearl
 - Mercy ED Springdale
 - Medical Center of South Arkansas
 - Johnson Regional Medical Center
 - Baptist Health Medical Center - Arkadelphia

The award is based on the level of adherence of the “CDC/COV Defect-Free” measure in GWTG-Stroke Patient Management Tool including these areas: (1) IV Thrombolytic Arrive by 2 Hour, Treat by 3 Hour; (2) Early Antithrombotics; (3) VTE Prophylaxis; (4) Antithrombotics; (5) Anticoagulation Therapy for Atrial Fibrillation/Flutter; (6) Smoking Cessation Counseling; (7) Dysphagia Screening; (8) Stroke Education; (9) Rehabilitation Considered and (10) Statin Prescribed at Discharge.

*Award Levels**

- *Diamond: 95%+*
- *Ruby: 90% - 94.99%*
- *Pearl**: 85% - 89.99%*

**To be eligible for an award, a hospital must be stroke designated either through ADH or other accrediting body such as The Joint Commission.*

***A hospital may also qualify for a Pearl award if performance is in the 75th percentile among its designation grouping.*