



Va. ranks second nationwide in hospital patient safety, with 7 Central Va. hospitals highly-ranked

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RICHMOND, Va. (WRIC) — Virginia ranked second in hospital patient nationwide in the most recent Leapfrog Group Hospital Safety Grade state rankings.

According to a May 7 press release from the organization, the Leapfrog Group's Hospital Safety Grade program assigns a letter grade to almost 3,000 "general acute care hospitals" throughout the United States. These scores are based on data from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, the Leapfrog Group and other unnamed sources.

Of the 72 Virginia hospitals graded, 40 of them received an "A" grade. That 56.3% rate earned Virginia its second-place ranking.

Seven of those highly-graded hospitals are in the Central Virginia Area. Those local hospitals are:

- Bon Secours St. Francis Medical Center in Chesterfield County
- VCU Health Tappahannock Hospital in Essex County
- Bon Secours Memorial Regional Medical Center in Hanover County
- Henrico Doctors' Hospital (HCA Virginia) in Henrico County
- Parham Doctors' Hospital (HCA Virginia) in Henrico County
- TriCities Hospital (HCA Virginia) in Hopewell City
- Centra Southside Community Hospital in Prince Edward County

The other 32 hospitals throughout the state of Virginia include:

- Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital in Accomack County
- LewisGale Hospital Alleghany (HCA Virginia) in Alleghany County
- VHC Health in Arlington County
- Centra Bedford Memorial Hospital in Bedford County
- Buchanan General Hospital in Buchanan County
- UVA Medical Center in Charlottesville City
- UVA Culpeper Medical Center in Culpeper County
- Sovah Health – Danville (Lifepoint Health) in Danville City
- Inova Fair Oaks Hospital in Fairfax County
- Inova Fairfax Hospital in Fairfax County
- Inova Mount Vernon Hospital in Fairfax County
- Reston Hospital Center (HCA Virginia) in Fairfax County

- Fauquier Health (Lifepoint Health) in Fauquier County
- Bon Secours Southampton Medical Center in Franklin City
- Twin County Regional Healthcare (Lifepoint Health) in Galax City
- Riverside Walter Reed Hospital in Gloucester County
- Sentara CarePlex Hospital in Hampton City
- Inova Loudoun Hospital in Loudoun County
- StoneSprings Hospital Center (HCA Virginia) in Loudoun County
- Carilion New River Valley Medical Center in Montgomery County
- LewisGale Hospital Montgomery (HCA Virginia) in Montgomery County
- Sentara Leigh Hospital in Norfolk City
- Riverside Regional Medical Center in Newport News City
- UVA Haymarket Medical Center in Prince William County
- UVA Prince William Medical Center in Manassas City
- LewisGale Hospital Pulaski (HCA Virginia) in Pulaski County
- Clinch Valley Medical Center (Lifepoint Health) in Tazewell County
- Sentara Princess Anne Hospital in Virginia Beach City
- Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital in Virginia Beach City
- Warren Memorial Hospital (Valley Health) in Warren County
- Riverside Doctors' Hospital Williamsburg in Williamsburg City
- Winchester Medical Center (Valley Health) in Winchester City
- Sentara Williamsburg Regional Medical Center in York County

The Spring 2024 score report from the Leapfrog Group puts Virginia just behind Utah, missing out on that first-place spot by just over one percent. Notably, the third-place state — New Jersey — has over 10% less A-graded hospitals.

In the Fall 2023 grading period, Utah and Virginia ranked the same as they did in the Spring. However, Fall's third-place ranking — North Carolina — fell to eighth place this Spring.

To learn more about this ranking system and to see where other states landed, click [here](#).