

New York VA 1:1 comparison

This study, a partnership between the Military Family Research Institute (MFRI) at Purdue University and the Center for a New American Security (CNAS), provided one-to-one comparisons of care quality in VA and nearby non-VA medical centers. One nearby comparator hospital was identified for each full-services VA medical center in the United States using a set of demographic criteria: size, rurality, teaching status, ownership, and proximity. Data was available for us to be able to compare 125 VA medical centers and their comparators.

We compared three clinical outcomes (in-hospital surgical deaths per 1,000 surgical discharge, catheter infections per 1,000 service days, and MRSA infections per 1,000 bed days) and three patient experience outcomes ("definitely recommend" hospital to family and friends, discharge instructions and overall hospital ratings).



How did the hospitals do?

CLINICAL OUTCOMES



PATIENT EXPERIENCE OUTCOMES



HOSPITALS COMPARED

There are 10 VA medical centers in New York. Comparator hospitals were identified for those. The number of hospital/VA medical center pairs available for comparison for clinical outcomes criterion one was five; criterion two was one; criterion three was three. For patient experience outcomes there were seven pairs for criteria one and two and six pairs for criterion three.

- » VA New York Harbor Healthcare System Ny Div. :: NYC Health + Hospitals / Belleuve
- » Bronx VA Medical Center :: NYC Health + Hospitals / North Central Bronx
- » VA Hudson Valley Healthcare System :: Northern Westchester Hospital
- » VA New York Harbor Healthcare System Brooklyn :: New York-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital
- » Northport VA Medical Center :: Huntington Hospital

- » Albany VA Medical Center :: Albany Medical Center Hospital
- » VA Hudson Valley Healthcare System Castle Point :: Vassar Brothers Medical Center
- » Syracuse VA Medical Center :: University Hospital SUNY Health Science Center
- » VA Healthcare Upstate New York :: Erie County Medical Center
- » VA Medical Center-Bath :: Ira Davenport Memorial Hospital





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