



FLORIDA's Fall 2020 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades Announced

[Orlando, Florida] December 14, 2020 – [The Leapfrog Group](#), a national nonprofit representing hundreds of the nation's most influential employers and purchasers of health care, driven in Florida by the Florida Alliance for Healthcare Value, announced today the [fall 2020 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades](#).

The independent grading system assigns "A," "B," "C," "D" and "F" letter grades to general acute-care hospitals in the U.S. based on their ability to protect patients from avoidable errors, injuries, accidents, and infections.

In Florida, 182 hospitals were graded, and 66 earned an "A," 55 earned a "B," 56 earned a "C," 2 earned a "D," and 3 earned an "F."

"The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade provides hospitals and patients with the information they need to make informed choices on where they seek care in Florida," said Ashley Tait-Dinger, Director of Analytics, Alternative Payment Models and Finance, Florida Alliance for Healthcare Value. "In light of the pandemic that has eclipsed 2020, driving transparency and accountability across our nation's hospitals has never been more urgent. We commend our hospitals in Florida who continue to ensure that the safety of the patients they serve comes first."

"As we grapple with the current implications and lasting ramifications of COVID-19, hospital and patient safety have never been more important" said Leah Binder, President and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "We thank all hospitals and heroic members of the health care work force for their efforts to protect and save patients this year."

Developed under the guidance of a National Expert Panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses up to 27 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign grades to more than 2,600 U.S. hospitals twice per year. The Hospital Safety Grade's methodology is peer-reviewed and fully transparent, and the results are free to the public.

For more information about the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade, as well as individual grades and state rankings, please visit hospitalsafetygrade.org and follow The Leapfrog Group on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). Journalists interested in scheduling interviews should email Leapfrogpr@jpa.com.

About Florida Alliance for Healthcare Value

The Florida Alliance for Healthcare Value represents over 100 public and private sector employer/healthcare purchasers with lives in Florida. Our organizational strategy relies on committed community partnerships to drive quality improvement while managing the rising cost of health care. For more information, please visit <http://www.flhealthvalue.org/>, or find the organization on Facebook, Twitter (@FLHealthValue) or LinkedIn.



About The Leapfrog Group

Founded in 2000 by large employers and other purchasers, [The Leapfrog Group](#) is a national nonprofit organization driving a movement for giant leaps forward in the quality and safety of American health care. The flagship [Leapfrog Hospital Survey](#) and new [Leapfrog Ambulatory Surgery Center \(ASC\) Survey](#) collect and transparently report 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 [Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade](#), 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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