



## Florida's Spring 2021 Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades Announced

**Orlando, Florida, April 29, 2021**– [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 [spring 2021 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, 179 hospitals were graded, and 76 earned an "A," 48 earned a "B," 53 earned a "C," 2 earned a "D," and 0 earned an "F."

"Our members watch the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade closely because we know how critical they are to the lives and health of people throughout Florida," said Ashley Tait-Dinger, Director of Analytics, Alternative Payment Models and Finance, Florida Alliance for Healthcare Value. "We care deeply about our hospitals, a point brought home to us by the pandemic, and we hold them to the highest standards because we entrust them with our lives."

Congratulations to the two Florida hospitals that have received an "A" Safety Grade every year since 2012 – AdventHealth Daytona Beach and Memorial Hospital Miramar.

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 2,700 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.

"The Leapfrog Group commends all hospitals and health care workers in Florida who saved patients throughout the pandemic," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group. "As we move forward, we will never forget that the safety of the patient is the first priority."

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