

Quality care results from Cardiology Department at Unity Hospital

PERFORMANCE MEASURE	2007	2008	1st Qtr 2009	2nd Qtr 2009	3rd Qtr 2009	4th Qtr 2009	NAT'L AVG*
ANGINA & HEART ATTACK CARE (<i>Acute Coronary Syndrome</i>)							
Angina is a disease marked by brief attacks of chest pain caused by a lack of oxygen to the heart. A heart attack occurs when blood flow into the heart is interrupted.							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> % of eligible patients receiving aspirin at arrival to the hospital to help prevent clotting and restore blood flow to the heart 	98.7%	98.7%	100%	98.6%			98.1%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> % of eligible patients prescribed aspirin at discharge as a preventive measure for blood clot formation 	95.7%	99%	98%	98.3%			97.8%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> % of eligible patients prescribed beta blocker medication within 24 hours of arrival at hospital to lower blood pressure, regulate heart beat, limit heart damage, and help to prevent future heart attacks 	98.9%	96.9%	95.2%	95.5%			95.5%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> % of eligible patients prescribed beta blocker medication at discharge from the hospital 	97.5%	100%	100%	98.3%			97.8%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> % of eligible patients with left ventricular systolic dysfunction (inability of the heart to pump blood effectively) who are prescribed ACE inhibitors or Angiotensin Receptor Blocker to help lower blood pressure and prevent future heart attacks or had contraindication to ACE or ARB documented 	100%	93.8%	100%	100%			94.3%
ANGIOPLASTY/STENTING PROCEDURES							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Average time from arrival at the Emergency Center to Angioplasty/Stenting (PTCA) procedure (to open blocked arteries in acute heart attack patients) 	92 minutes	83.4 minutes	71 minutes	86 minutes	63.4 minutes		136 minutes
PATIENT SATISFACTION							GOAL
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> % of patients who would recommend the Cardiology Department at Unity Hospital to family and friends 	99.5%	100%	100%	97%	100%		100%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> % of patients who would return to the Cardiology Department for procedures if needed 	99.5%	100%	100%	100%	100%		100%
STRESS TESTS: <i>A test for heart function before, during, and after exercise monitored by health care professionals.</i>	The Cardiology Department's volume of stress test procedures is one of the highest among Monroe County hospitals.						* National Average - JCAHO Core Measurement data For more information, visit: www.unityhealth.org/cardiology Data is delayed by one quarter.