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Michigan's hospitals fall below average for patient safety

Fall 2025 Hospital Safety Grade release marks the lowest amount of A grades ever reported for hospitals across the state

NOVI, MICHIGAN, November 13, 2025 – [The Leapfrog Group](#) today released its [Fall 2025 Hospital Safety Grade](#), an “A,” “B,” “C,” “D” or “F” assigned to all general hospitals in the United States based on their ability to protect patients from medical errors, accidents, injuries and infections. Driven in the State of Michigan by the [Economic Alliance for Michigan \(EAM\)](#), the Grades provide the community with critical insights about local hospitals. Hospital Safety Grades are updated twice a year by The Leapfrog Group, an independent national nonprofit watchdog.

Michigan hospitals rank 35th in the nation in patient safety ratings, with only 17 out of 79 hospitals earning an A grade – the lowest ever recorded. Out of the remaining hospitals, 33 earned a B, 22 earned a C, four earned a D, and three earned an F. Hospitals receiving an A grade for five consecutive terms are Corewell Health Zeeland Hospital, Garden City Hospital, Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital, Munson Healthcare Cadillac Hospital, and Trinity Health Livingston in Howell.

According to Leapfrog, an estimated 160,000 lives are lost annually from avoidable medical errors, and over 50,000 lives could be saved every year if B, C, D, and F hospitals improved their patient safety grades to an A. “When hospitals make preventable mistakes, it’s patients and employers who end up paying the price — both in lives and in higher healthcare costs. Strengthening patient safety must be a priority, because every preventable error represents a tragedy and an avoidable expense,” said Bret Jackson, President and CEO of EAM.

How Michigan's hospitals scored:

- Seventy-five percent of Corwell Health hospitals received an A or B grade (16 hospitals were graded).
- Three of the four Detroit Medical Center (DMC) hospitals scored an F.
- Henry Ford Health scored the most A grades (four hospitals). Seventy-five percent of Henry Ford Health hospitals received an A or B grade (12 hospitals).
- McLaren Health Care had 56% of its hospitals scoring an A or B grade (9 hospitals).
- The five hospitals of Munson Healthcare that were graded earned an A or B grade (100% A or B grade).
- MyMichigan Health had 83% of its six graded hospitals receive an A or B.
- Seventy-five percent of Trinity Health Michigan hospitals received an A or B grade (8 hospitals were graded).



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“When hospitals fall short on safety, everyone pays the price — patients, employers, and our entire economy,” added Jackson. “We must do better. Safer hospitals mean stronger businesses and healthier communities.”

About The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade

The Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade is the only ratings program focused exclusively on accidents, errors, injuries and infections that harm or kill patients in hospitals. It is updated twice a year in the fall and spring, offering the public a reliable, independent assessment of hospital safety. The Grades are determined by public, peer-reviewed methodology, calculated by top patient safety experts under the guidance of a National Expert Panel. The grading system is fully transparent and always freely available to the public at www.hospitalsafetygrade.org. The Safety Grade is published by The Leapfrog Group, an independent national nonprofit organization celebrating 25 years of driving a movement for giant leaps for patient safety. For more from Leapfrog, follow us on Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook and Instagram and sign up for our newsletter.

About Economic Alliance for Michigan (EAM)

Founded in 1982, the EAM is comprised of businesses and unions working together with one clear objective – continued growth of Michigan’s economy by inspiring job growth and strengthen Michigan’s competitiveness for attracting companies and talent. The EAM seeks to use the collective voice of Michigan’s purchasers to serve as catalysts for change to ensure appropriate access to patient-centric, high-value healthcare. Since 2014, EAM has been the Leapfrog Regional Leader for the State of Michigan. Learn more about the EAM at www.eamonline.org.

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