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## **Delaware Hospital Associated Infection Reporting Data: 2008**

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## Executive Summary

Title 16 Chapter 10A of the *Delaware Code* established the “Hospital Infections Disclosure Act” in 2007. The law requires hospitals to report healthcare-acquired infections (HAIs) to the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) by using the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN). It also requires reports of HAIs by the Department of Correction directly to DHSS. The purpose of the law is to make information available to the public about the risk of HAIs in each of Delaware’s hospitals and in the Department of Corrections.

NHSN is an internet-based surveillance system that collects data from U.S. healthcare facilities. It provides facilities with risk-adjusted data that can be used for inter-facility comparisons and local quality improvement activities.<sup>1</sup>

As required by law, a Hospital Acquired Infections Advisory Committee was created to oversee implementation of the “Hospital Infections Disclosure Act.” The Committee determined that the first clinical procedure to be reported by hospitals would be central line associated blood stream infections (CLABSI) from one Intensive Care Unit (ICU) in each of Delaware’s hospitals. The Committee also determined that the first report would include the percentage of hospital healthcare workers that were vaccinated against influenza during the 2008-2009 influenza season.

An estimated 248,000 bloodstream infections occur in U.S. hospitals each year, and a large proportion of these are thought to occur because of a central line.<sup>2</sup> A central line is a tube that is passed through a vein to end up in the chest portion of the large vein returning blood to the heart. Bloodstream infections are usually serious infections typically causing a prolonged hospital stay, increased cost and risk of death. CLABSIs can be prevented through proper management of the central line.

As required by law, all eight Delaware hospitals were enrolled in the NHSN system in 2008 (Veterans Administration Hospitals are not subject to state law). These are:

- AI duPont Hospital for Children
- BayHealth Medical Center – Kent General Hospital
- BayHealth Medical Center – Milford Memorial Hospital
- Beebe Medical Center
- Christiana Care Health System – Christiana Hospital
- Christiana Care Health System – Wilmington Hospital
- Nanticoke Memorial Hospital
- Saint Francis Hospital

The eight hospitals collectively reported 32 CLABSIs to NHSN. The rate of CLABSIs in each of the eight hospitals was compared to the rate in all NHSN hospitals reporting CLABSIs for in-

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/>

<sup>2</sup> Klevens RM, Edward JR, et al. Estimating health care-associated infections and deaths in U.S. hospitals, 2002. *Public Health Reports* 2007;122:160-166.

patient locations of the same type. A patient location is where in the facility the patient was cared for when the infection was detected. This allows a fair comparison between the local hospital and the NHSN hospitals. While it is inappropriate to compare one hospital to another because of the differences in the patient populations and acuity, it is appropriate to evaluate each hospital against the NHSN hospital benchmark rates for like units.

The CLABSI rate is calculated per 1000 central line-days by dividing the number of CLBSIs by the number of central line-days and multiplying the result by 1000.

Results: In one of the eight hospitals, the CLABSI rate was statistically lower than the NHSN rate; six were not statistically different than the NHSN rate; and one was statistically higher.

A second measure was evaluated, called a central line utilization ratio. This measure allows hospitals to determine if the use of central lines in their ICU setting is greater than, less than or equal the NHSN benchmark usage numbers for like units.

Results: Two hospitals had central line utilization ratios that were statistically lower than the NHSN rate and six had rates that were statistically higher.

The percentage of hospital healthcare workers that were vaccinated against influenza during the 2008-2009 influenza season ranged from 53% to 74%

The Department of Correction reported no cases of HAI for 2008 to DHSS.

# **Delaware Hospital Associated Infection Reporting Data: Report to the Delaware General Assembly for 2008**

## **Background**

Healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) are infections that patients acquire during the course of receiving treatment for other conditions within a healthcare setting. These HAIs can worsen illnesses or prolong hospital stays. Some sources estimate that HAIs account for an estimated 2 million infections, 90,000 deaths, and \$4.5 billion in excess health care costs annually.<sup>3</sup>

The Delaware General Assembly passed House Bill 47 in 2007, establishing the “Hospital Infections Disclosure Act (Title 16 Chapter 10A of the *Delaware Code*).<sup>4</sup>” The law requires hospitals to report HAIs to the Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) by using the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN). NHSN is an internet-based surveillance system that collects data from U.S. healthcare facilities. It provides facilities with risk-adjusted data that can be used for inter-facility comparisons and local quality improvement activities.<sup>5</sup> Correctional facilities are mandated to report any HAIs directly to DHSS.

In addition, the law requires DHSS to submit an annual report to the legislature. This report serves that purpose for HAIs reported in 2008. As required by law, this annual report is also published on the Division of Public Health website and will be made available to anyone upon request. Following this initial report, the law requires a report to be published quarterly.

A Hospital Acquired Infection Advisory Committee was appointed by the Secretary of DHSS in 2007 (Appendix A). The committee assisted DHSS in the development of regulations<sup>6</sup>, reviewed the NHSN requirements, and selected the first medical procedure on which hospitals will be required to report.

The Advisory Committee selected central line-associated bloodstream infections CLABSIs as the first procedure to be reported under the “Hospital Infections Disclosure Act.” An estimated 248,000 bloodstream infections occur in U.S. hospitals each year, and a large proportion of these are thought to occur because of a central line.<sup>7</sup> A central line is a tube that is passed through a vein to end up in the chest portion of the large vein returning blood to the heart. Bloodstream infections are usually serious infections typically causing a prolonged hospital stay and increased cost and risk of mortality. CLABSIs can be prevented through proper management of the central line. These techniques are addressed in the CDC’s Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee *Guidelines for the Prevention of Intravascular Catheter Related Infections*.<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>3</sup> Guidance on public reporting of healthcare-associated infections: recommendations of the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee. McKibben et al., *Am J Infect Control* 2005;33:217-26.

<sup>4</sup> <http://delcode.delaware.gov/title16/c010a/index.shtml>

<sup>5</sup> <http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/>

<sup>6</sup> <http://regulations.delaware.gov/documents/May2009c.pdf>

<sup>7</sup> Klevens RM, Edward JR, et al. Estimating health care-associated infections and deaths in U.S. hospitals, 2002. *Public Health Reports* 2007;122:160-166.

<sup>8</sup> O’Grady NP, Alexander M, Dellinger EP, Gerberding JL, Heard SO, Maki DG, et al. Guidelines for the

Since patients who are treated in Intensive Care Units (ICUs) are at a higher risk for acquiring HAIs because of the seriousness of their illness and exposure to devices, the Advisory Committee selected ICUs as the reporting location of CLABSIs under this law.

The Committee also determined that the first report would include the percentage of hospital healthcare workers that were vaccinated against influenza during the 2008-2009 influenza season.

Appendix B is a description of each of the hospitals and correctional facilities required to report HAIs by the “Hospital Infections Disclosure Act.” This profile is required by law.

Appendix C is reserved for “hospital comments on performance improvement and changes in patient population and risk factors.” By law, these comments can be utilized by DHSS, but are “considered proprietary information and shall...not be made available in the Public Report and shall not be subject to disclosure under the State’s Freedom of Information Act.”<sup>9</sup>

## Methods

### Central-Line Associated Bloodstream Infections (CLABSIs)

This report is on CLABSIs that occurred in one ICU in each of Delaware’s hospitals during calendar year 2008. NHSN defines a CLABSI as a primary blood stream infection in a patient that had a central line in place at the time of or within 48-hours before the onset of infection.

This report will not detail all of the reporting criteria and methods required by NHSN. For that, the reader is referred to the NHSN website.<sup>10</sup>

As required by law, all eight Delaware hospitals were enrolled in the NHSN system in 2008 (Veterans Administration Hospitals are not subject to state law). These are:

- AI duPont Hospital for Children
- BayHealth Medical Center – Kent General Hospital
- BayHealth Medical Center – Milford Memorial Hospital
- Beebe Medical Center
- Christiana Care Health System – Christiana Hospital
- Christiana Care Health System – Wilmington Hospital
- Nanticoke Memorial Hospital
- Saint Francis Hospital

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prevention of intravascular catheter-related infections. MMWR 2002;51(No. RR-10:1-26).

<sup>9</sup> Title 16 Chapter 10A of the *Delaware Code*

<sup>10</sup> <http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/>

Before enrolling in or using the system, NHSN requires that each of its users complete a comprehensive NHSN training program. Once enrolled in the NHSN, each facility must:

- Use the NHSN Internet-based data entry interface and/or data import tools for reporting data to CDC.
- Successfully complete an annual survey for each component selected.
- Successfully complete one or more modules of the component selected. Successful completion requires the following:
  - For the selected component, submit a reporting plan each month to inform CDC which, if any, of the modules will be used for that month. Data for at least one module must be submitted for a minimum of six months of the calendar year to maintain active status.
  - Adhere to the selected module’s protocol(s) exactly as described in the NHSN Manual during the months when one or more NHSN modules are used. This includes using surveillance methodology appropriate for the module and as described in the protocol.
  - Report adverse events/exposures and appropriate summary or denominator data as required for the module(s) indicated on the reporting plan to CDC within 30 days of the end of the month.
  - Pass quality control acceptance checks that assess the data for completeness and accuracy.

NHSN also required all facilities to enter a Monthly Report Plan prior to entering data. This plan informed NHSN which patient safety modules will be used, what procedure(s) will be reported, and from what location within the hospital the data will be collected for each month. An annual survey is also completed to provide important facility-level demographic data. Both of these reports allow NHSN to select what aggregate data pool to use for comparison purposes.

Through the NHSN “Group” reporting feature, all hospitals have deferred rights to DHSS to review the monthly CLABSI data from the selected ICUs since DHSS serves as the NHSN Group Administrator. If any hospital was delinquent in reporting, DHSS sent a reminder to the facility. Once all of the data from January to December 2008 was received and entered, DHSS reviewed the twelve months of data and created reports directly from the NHSN website.

Hospital Infection Control Practitioners (ICPs) utilized NHSN definitions to determine if a CLABSI met the definition for reporting. ICPs entered the number of CLABIs, the number of central-line days, and the total number of patient days into NHSN within 30 days of the end of each month. NHSN then calculated the following rate and ratio:

- *CLABSI Rate* - NHSN uses the number of CLABSIs, divided by device-days to calculate this rate. Device-days are the total number of days of exposure to the device (central line) by all of the patients in the selected population (ICU) during the selected time period (2008). The resulting number is multiplied by 1000.
- *Device Utilization (DU) Ratio* – NHSN divides the number of device-days by the number of patient-days to determine the DU ratio. Patient-days are the total number of days that patients are in the location during the selected time period. The DU ratio measures the proportion of patient-days in which central lines were used.

The CLABSI rate and DU ratio were computed by NHSN for each hospital. These indicators were compared to all hospitals participating in the NHSN reporting on the same patient location.

A patient location is the patient care area where a patient was assigned when exposed to the agent that led to the development of an event, and when the patient care practice under surveillance was performed. For example, even among ICUs there are many types of patient locations – pediatric, burn, cardiac, medical/surgical, etc. Locations may also be defined as teaching or non-teaching. The patient locations for each hospital are shown in Table 1.

**Table 1. Patient Locations for Reporting of Central Line Associated Bloodstream Infection Rates, Delaware (2008)**

Location	Description	Hospitals
Medical Critical Care	Critical care area for the care of patients who are being treated for non-surgical conditions.	St. Francis, Christiana
Medical/Surgical Critical Care	Critical care areas for the care of patients with medical and/or surgical conditions.	Nanticoke, Beebe, BayHealth Milford, BayHealth Kent, Wilmington
Pediatric Medical/Surgical Critical Care	Critical care area for the care of patients $\leq 18$ years old with medical and/or surgical conditions.	Al duPont Hospital for Children

Because of the many types of locations and differences in patient populations, it is inappropriate to compare CLABSI rates and DU ratios among hospitals that reported on different patient locations. This is because patient locations differ with respect to the risk of infection. However, it is appropriate to compare these measures to all NHSN hospitals of the same location and patient type. NHSN rates and ratios (pooled means) are provided by NHSN for comparison for the years 2006 and 2007 combined.<sup>11</sup> Note that until open enrollment began in mid-2007, participation in NHSN was restricted to mostly larger facilities. The pooled means do not reflect data from smaller hospitals. Smaller hospitals will be reflected in the NHSN pooled means in the future.

NHSN also provides percentiles to estimate where a hospital’s CLABSI rate or DU ratio falls on the distribution of all NHSN participating hospitals of that location type. A local hospital with a CLABSI rate that is at the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile, for example, means that 75% of the hospitals in NHSN with that location type have a lower CLABSI rate.

Statistical testing was also provided by NHSN to determine if a rate or ratio for the local hospital is statistically different from the NHSN rate.

Device-associated infection rates and device utilization ratios should be examined together so that preventive measures may be appropriately targeted. For example, a hospital may find that the CLABSI rate in an ICU is consistently above the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile and the central line utilization ratio is routinely between the 75<sup>th</sup> and 90<sup>th</sup> percentile. The hospital may want to target efforts on reducing the use of central lines or limiting the duration with which they are used on patients to lower the CLABSI rate in that unit.<sup>12</sup>

<sup>11</sup> National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Report, data summary for 2006 through 2007, issued November 2008. Edwards et al., Am J Infect Control 2008;36:609-26.

<sup>12</sup> National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Report, data summary for 2006 through 2007, issued November 2008. Edwards et al., Am J Infect Control 2008;36:609-26.



## **Influenza Vaccination**

Hospitals reported directly to DHSS the percentage of healthcare workers that were vaccinated against influenza. A healthcare worker was defined as paid and unpaid persons working in a healthcare setting who have the potential for exposure to patients and or infectious materials, including body substances, contaminated environmental surfaces, or contaminated air. This includes:

- Nursing- (Patient Care Techs- Service Assistants-RNs, LPNs, Unit Clerks)
- Environmental Services (Housekeeping)
- Dietary tray servers, hostesses, Dieticians
- Hospital Phlebotomist
- Maintenance/Facilities
- Patient Escort (transporters)
- Pharmacy
- Radiology (including interventional services)
- Respiratory therapy
- Social Services and Utilization, Care Managers etc.
- Textiles (laundry)
- Volunteers
- Therapies- PT, OT, Speech and Hearing etc.
- Security
- Pastoral Services
- Hospital Employed Physicians, Advanced Practice Nurses, and Physician Assistants

## **Department of Correction**

HAIs identified by the Department of Correction were reported directly to DHSS on a quarterly basis.

## **Results**

The Department of Correction reported no HAIs. Results for hospital CLABSI rates are shown in Table 2, and utilization ratios are shown in Table 3. Influenza vaccination rates are shown in Table 4.

**Table 2. Central Line Associated Bloodstream (CLABSI) Rates in Intensive Care Units, Delaware (2008) and as reported by the National Health Safety Network (2006-2007)**

Hospital	Number of Infections	Number of Central Line days <sup>13</sup>	Hospital CLABSI Rate/1000 <sup>14</sup>	NHSN CLABSI Rate/1000 <sup>15</sup>	CLABSI Rate Percentile <sup>16</sup>	p value <sup>17</sup>	Interpretation <sup>18</sup>
A. I. duPont Hospital for Children	3	3026	1.0	2.9	37%	0.0266	Rate is significantly lower than NHSN rate
Christiana Care Health System-Christiana Hospital	11	5030	2.2	2.4	54%	0.4770	Rate is not statistically different than NHSN rate
Christiana Care Health System – Wilmington Hospital	4	1322	3.0	1.5	84%	0.1322	Rate is not statistically different than NHSN rate
St. Francis Hospital	2	1160	1.7	2.4	46%	0.4847	Rate is not statistically different than NHSN rate
BayHealth Medical Center – Kent General Hospital	8	2330	3.4	1.5	88%	0.0237	Rate is significantly higher than NHSN rate
BayHealth Medical Center – Milford Memorial Hospital	0	809	0.0	1.5	25%	0.3051	Rate is not statistically different than NHSN rate
Beebe Medical Center	1	2386	0.4	1.5	42%	0.1358	Rate is not statistically different than NHSN rate
Nanticoke Memorial Hospital	3	1325	2.3	1.5	78%	0.3082	Rate is not statistically different than NHSN rate

<sup>13</sup> The total number of days of exposure to the device (central line) by all of the patients in the selected population (ICU) during the selected time period (2008).

<sup>14</sup> (Infections/device-days) x 1000

<sup>15</sup> Rate for all participating NHSN hospitals of that location type (the patient care area to which a patient is assigned while receiving care while in the facility).

<sup>16</sup> An estimate of where the local facility rate falls on the distribution of the rate for all NHSN facilities of that type of location. For example, a percentile of 75% means that 75% of NHSN hospitals were below this rate.

<sup>17</sup> The probability value from a significance test comparing the local hospital to the NHSN aggregate rate.

<sup>18</sup> Significance criteria is p<0.05 (95% confidence)

**Table 3. Central Line Utilization Rates in Intensive Care Units, Delaware (2008)  
and as reported by the National Health Safety Network (2006-2007)**

<b>Hospital</b>	<b>Number of Central Line days<sup>19</sup></b>	<b>Number of Patient days<sup>20</sup></b>	<b>Utilization Ratio<sup>21</sup></b>	<b>NHSN Utilization Ratio<sup>22</sup></b>	<b>Utilization Ratio Percentile<sup>23</sup></b>	<b>P value<sup>24</sup></b>	<b>Interpretation<sup>25</sup></b>
A. I. duPont Hospital for Children	3026	5302	0.57	0.46	88%	0.0000	Utilization ratio is significantly higher than NHSN ratio
Christiana Care Health System Christiana	5030	6718	0.75	0.58	78%	0.0000	Utilization ratio is significantly higher than NHSN ratio
Christiana Care Health System – Wilmington Hospital	1322	2030	0.65	0.46	91%	0.0000	Utilization ratio is significantly higher than NHSN ratio
St. Francis Hospital	1160	2960	0.39	0.58	23%	0.0000	Utilization ratio is significantly lower than NHSN ratio
BayHealth Medical Center – Kent General Hospital	2330	4289	0.54	0.46	64%	0.0000	Utilization ratio is significantly higher than NHSN ratio
BayHealth Medical Center – Milford Memorial Hospital	809	2054	0.39	0.46	47%	0.0000	Utilization ratio is significantly lower than NHSN ratio
Beebe Medical Center	2386	3532	0.68	0.46	91%	0.0000	Utilization ratio is significantly higher than NHSN ratio
Nanticoke Memorial Hospital	1325	2225	0.60	0.46	80%	0.0000	Utilization ratio is significantly higher than NHSN ratio

<sup>19</sup> The total number of days of exposure to the device (central line) by all of the patients in the selected population (ICU) during the selected time period (2008).

<sup>20</sup> The total number of days that patients are in the location during the selected time period.

<sup>21</sup> Central line days/patient days

<sup>22</sup> Ratio for all participating NHSN hospitals of that location type (the patient care area to which a patient is assigned while receiving care while in the facility).

<sup>23</sup> An estimate of where the local facility ratio falls on the distribution of the ratio for all facilities of that type of location. For example, a percentile of 75% means that 75% of NHSN hospitals were below this ratio.

<sup>24</sup> The probability value from a significance test comparing the local hospital to the NHSN aggregate ratio.

<sup>25</sup> Significance criteria is  $p < 0.05$  (95% confidence)

**Table 4. Influenza Vaccination Rate among Healthcare Workers  
Delaware, 2008 -2009 Influenza Season**

<b>Hospital</b>	<b>Number of Healthcare<sup>26</sup> Workers</b>	<b>Number of Healthcare Workers Vaccinated</b>	<b>Percentage Vaccinated</b>
A. I. duPont Hospital for Children	3430	2161	63.0%
Christiana Care Health System – Christiana and Wilmington Hospitals combined	7491	5021	67.0%
St. Francis Hospital	850	478	56.2%
BayHealth Medical Center – Kent General Hospital	1639	874	53.3%
BayHealth Medical Center – Milford Memorial Hospital	713	378	53.0%
Beebe Medical Center	1544	815	52.8%
Nanticoke Memorial Hospital	807	596	73.9%

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<sup>26</sup> HCW refers to paid and unpaid persons working in a healthcare setting who have the potential for exposure to patients and or infectious materials, including body substances, contaminated environmental surfaces, or contaminated air.

This definition includes:

- Nursing- (Patient Care Techs- Service Assistants-RNs, LPNs, Unit Clerks)
- Environmental Services (Housekeeping)
- Dietary tray servers, hostesses, Dieticians
- Hospital Phlebotomist
- Maintenance/Facilities
- Patient Escort ( transporters)
- Pharmacy
- Radiology ( including interventional services)
- Respiratory therapy
- Social Services and Utilization, Care Managers etc.
- Textiles (laundry)
- Volunteers
- Therapies- PT, OT, Speech and Hearing etc.
- Security
- Pastoral Services
- Hospital Employed Physicians, Advanced Practice Nurses, and Physician Assistants

## Appendix A

### Delaware Healthcare-associated Infections Advisory Committee

Name	Type of Appointment <sup>27</sup>
Brenda Johnson	ICP – Nanticoke Memorial Hospital
Carol Briody	ICP – A.I. duPont Hospital
Denise Langford	ICP – St. Francis Hospital
Donna Anderson	ICP – Beebe Medical Center
Dr. Herman Ellis	Delaware Division of Public Health
Dr. Janice Nevins	Infection Disease Physicians
Dr. Joel Klein	Infection Disease Physicians
Dr. John Piper	Infection Disease Physicians
Dr. Paul Kaplan	Other (Health Insurer)
Dr. R. Vemulapalli	Other (Private Practice)
Dr. Wesley Emmons	Infection Disease Physicians
Jean Stipe	ICP – VA Hospital
Joann Hasse	Other (Member of Public)
Kathleen Wroten (Chair)	ICP – Christiana Hospital
Kelly Gardner	ICP – BayHealth Hospitals
Robert White	*Other (Health Insurer)
Tracy Thompson	*Other (Consumer Organization)

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<sup>27</sup> As defined by Title 16 Chapter 10A of the Delaware Code. Other categories specified in legislation are: Direct Care Nursing staff, Academic Researchers, Consumer Organizations, Health Insurers, Health Maintenance Organizations, Organized Labor, and Purchasers of Health Insurance, such as employers.

## Appendix B Hospital Profiles

<b>Hospital Profile</b>	
<b>Hospital Name:</b> A.I. duPont Hospital for Children and Pediatric Children's Clinics/Nemours	
<b>Address:</b> 1600 Rockland Road Wilmington, Delaware 19803  <b>Telephone:</b> 302-651-4000  <b>County:</b> New Castle County  <b>Link to Facility Website Homepage:</b> <a href="http://home.nemours.org/index.html">http://home.nemours.org/index.html</a>	<b>Hospital Type:</b> Pediatric Medical/Surgical  <b>Annual Admissions 2008:</b> 7,992 Adult: 0 Pediatric: 7,992  <b>Number of Licensed beds 2008:</b> 200
<b>Hospital Services/Characteristics:</b>	
Service	Service Available (Yes or No)
Adult Open Heart	NA
Bariatric Services	Yes
Blood & Bone Marrow Transplant Unit	Yes
Burn Unit	No
Comprehensive Cancer Services	Yes
Critical Care/Intensive Care Services	Yes
Dialysis	Yes
Emergency Services	Yes
Extended Rehabilitation Care	Yes
Inpatient Acute Care	Yes
Inpatient Pediatrics Unit	Yes
Mental Health	Yes
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)	Yes
Organ Transplant	Yes
Pediatric Open Heart	Yes
Primary Stroke Center	NA
Surgical Services	Yes
Teaching Hospital	Yes
Trauma Center	Yes
Women's Health/Maternity	NA
Wound Care Center	No

## Hospital Profile

**Hospital Name:** Christiana Health Care System – Christiana Hospital

**Address:** 4755 Ogletown–Stanton Rd  
Newark, Delaware 19718

**Telephone:** 302-733-1000

**County:** New Castle

**Link to Facility Website Homepage:**  
[www.christianacare.org](http://www.christianacare.org)

**Hospital Type:** Major Teaching  
Medical/Surgical

**Annual Admissions for 2008:** 44,577

**Adult:** 43,641

**Pediatric:** 936

**Ownership:** Private–Not for Profit

**Number of Licensed beds 2008:** 913

### Hospital Services/Characteristics:

Service	Service Available (Yes or No)
Adult Open Heart	Yes
Bariatric Services	Yes
Blood & Bone Marrow Transplant Unit	Yes
Burn Unit	No
Comprehensive Cancer Services	Yes
Critical Care/Intensive Care Services	Yes
Dialysis	Yes
Emergency Services	Yes
Extended Rehabilitation Care	Yes
Inpatient Acute Care	Yes
Inpatient Pediatrics Unit	Yes
Mental Health	No
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)	Yes
Organ Transplant	Yes
Pediatric Open Heart	No
Primary Stroke Center	Yes
Surgical Services	Yes
Teaching Hospital	Yes
Trauma Center	Yes
Women's Health/Maternity	Yes
Wound Care Center	No

## Hospital Profile

**Hospital Name:** Christiana Health Care System - Wilmington Hospital

**Address:** 501 W 14<sup>th</sup> St.  
Wilmington Delaware, 19801

**Telephone:** 302-733-1000

**County:** New Castle

**Link to Facility Website Homepage:**  
[www.christianacare.org](http://www.christianacare.org)

**Hospital Type:** Major Teaching  
Medical/Surgical

**Annual Admissions 2008:** 10,472

**Adult:** 10,472

**Pediatric:** 0

**Number of Licensed beds 2008:** 200

### Hospital Services/Characteristics:

Service	Service Available (Yes or No)
Adult Open Heart	No
Bariatric Services	No
Blood & Bone Marrow Transplant Unit	No
Burn Unit	No
Comprehensive Cancer Services	No
Critical Care/Intensive Care Services	Yes
Dialysis	Yes
Emergency Services	Yes
Extended Rehabilitation Care	Yes
Inpatient Acute Care	Yes
Inpatient Pediatrics Unit	No
Mental Health	Yes
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)	No
Organ Transplant	No
Pediatric Open Heart	No
Primary Stroke Center	No
Surgical Services	Yes
Teaching Hospital	Yes
Trauma Center	Yes
Women's Health/Maternity	Yes
Wound Care Center	No



## Hospital Profile

**Hospital Name:** St. Francis Hospital

**Address:** 701 N Clayton St  
Wilmington, De 19805

**Hospital Type:** Medical/Surgical

**Telephone:** 302-421-4100

**Annual Admissions 2008:** 7,502

**Adult:** 7502

**Pediatric:** 0

**County:** New Castle

**Link to Facility Website Homepage:**  
<http://www.stfrancishealthcare.org/>

**Number of Licensed beds 2008:** 395

### Hospital Services/Characteristics:

Service	Service Available (Yes or No)
Adult Open Heart	Yes
Bariatric Services	Yes
Blood & Bone Marrow Transplant Unit	No
Burn Unit	No
Comprehensive Cancer Services	Yes
Critical Care/Intensive Care Services	Yes
Dialysis	Yes
Emergency Services	Yes
Extended Rehabilitation Care	Yes
Inpatient Acute Care	Yes
Inpatient Pediatrics Unit	No
Mental Health	No
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)	Yes
Organ Transplant	No
Pediatric Open Heart	No
Primary Stroke Center	No
Surgical Services	Yes
Teaching Hospital	Yes
Trauma Center	No
Women's Health/Maternity	Yes
Wound Care Center	Yes

## Hospital Profile

**Hospital Name:** BayHealth Medical Center-Kent Campus

**Address:** 640 South State Street,  
Dover DE, 19901

**Telephone:** 302-744-7023

**County:** Kent

**Link to Facility Website Homepage:**  
[www.Bayhealth.org](http://www.Bayhealth.org)

**Hospital Type:** Medical/Surgical

**Annual Admissions 2008:** 16,385

**Adult:** 15,089

**Pediatric:** 1,296

**Number of Licensed beds 2008:** 221

### Hospital Services/Characteristics:

Service	Service Available (Yes or No)
Adult Open Heart	Yes
Bariatric Services	No
Blood & Bone Marrow Transplant Unit	No
Burn Unit	No
Comprehensive Cancer Services	Yes
Critical Care/Intensive Care Services	Yes
Dialysis	Yes
Emergency Services	Yes
Extended Rehabilitation Care	No
Inpatient Acute Care	Yes
Inpatient Pediatrics Unit	Yes
Mental Health	No
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)	Yes
Organ Transplant	No
Pediatric Open Heart	No
Primary Stroke Center	No
Surgical Services	Yes
Teaching Hospital	No
Trauma Center	Yes
Women's Health/Maternity	Yes
Wound Care Center	Yes

## Hospital Profile

**Hospital Name:** BayHealth Medical Center-Milford Campus

**Address:** 21 West Clark Ave,  
Milford DE, 19963

**Telephone:** 302-422-3311

**County:** Sussex

**Link to Facility Website Homepage:**  
[www.Bayhealth.org](http://www.Bayhealth.org)

**Hospital Type:** Medical/Surgical

**Annual Admissions 2008:** 6,892

**Adult:** 6631

**Pediatric:** 261

**Number of Licensed beds 2008:** 168

### Hospital Services/Characteristics:

Service	Service Available (Yes or No)
Adult Open Heart	No
Bariatric Services	No
Blood & Bone Marrow Transplant Unit	No
Burn Unit	No
Comprehensive Cancer Services	Yes
Critical Care/Intensive Care Services	Yes
Dialysis	Yes
Emergency Services	Yes
Extended Rehabilitation Care	Yes
Inpatient Acute Care	Yes
Inpatient Pediatrics Unit	Yes
Mental Health	No
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)	No
Organ Transplant	No
Pediatric Open Heart	No
Primary Stroke Center	No
Surgical Services	Yes
Teaching Hospital	No
Trauma Center	Yes
Women's Health/Maternity	Yes
Wound Care Center	No

## Hospital Profile

**Hospital Name:** Beebe Medical Center

**Address:** 424 Savannah Road  
Lewes, DE 19958

**Telephone:** 302-645-3300

**County:** Sussex

**Link to Facility Website Homepage:**  
<http://www.beebemed.org>

**Hospital Type:** Medical/Surgical

**Annual Admissions 2008:** 10,388

**Adult:** 9,204

**Pediatric:** 1,184

**Number of Licensed beds 2008:** 210

### Hospital Services/Characteristics:

Service	Service Available (Yes or No)
Adult Open Heart	Yes
Bariatric Services	Yes
Blood & Bone Marrow Transplant Unit	No
Burn Unit	No
Comprehensive Cancer Services	Yes
Critical Care/Intensive Care Services	Yes
Dialysis	Yes
Emergency Services	Yes
Extended Rehabilitation Care	No
Inpatient Acute Care	Yes
Inpatient Pediatrics Unit	Yes
Mental Health	No
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)	No
Organ Transplant	No
Pediatric Open Heart	No
Primary Stroke Center	No
Surgical Services	Yes
Teaching Hospital	No
Trauma Center	Yes
Women's Health/Maternity	Yes
Wound Care Center	Yes

## Hospital Profile

**Hospital Name:** Nanticoke Memorial Hospital

**Address:** 801 Middleford Road  
Seaford, DE 19973

**Telephone:** 302-629-6611

**County:** Sussex

**Link to Facility Website Homepage:**  
<http://www.nanticoke.org/>

**Hospital Type:** Medical/Surgical

**Annual Admissions 2008:** 5199

**Adult:** Not Available

**Pediatric:** Not Available

**Number of Licensed beds 2008:** 139

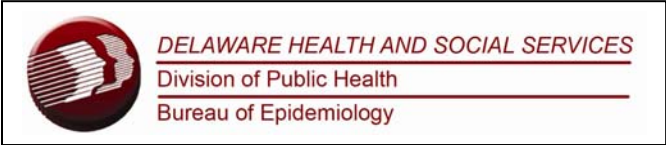
### Hospital Services/Characteristics:

Service	Service Available (Yes or No)
Adult Open Heart	No
Bariatric Services	No
Blood & Bone Marrow Transplant Unit	No
Burn Unit	No
Comprehensive Cancer Services	Yes
Critical Care/Intensive Care Services	Yes
Dialysis	Yes
Emergency Services	Yes
Extended Rehabilitation Care	Yes
Inpatient Acute Care	Yes
Inpatient Pediatrics Unit	Yes
Mental Health	No
Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)	No
Organ Transplant	No
Pediatric Open Heart	No
Primary Stroke Center	Yes
Surgical Services	Yes
Teaching Hospital	No
Trauma Center	No
Women's Health/Maternity	Yes
Wound Care Center	Yes

**Appendix C**  
**Hospital Comments<sup>28</sup>**  
**(Not for Publication)**

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<sup>28</sup> Title 16 Chapter 10A of the Delaware Code “allows hospitals to comment on performance improvement and changes in patient population and risk factors. The information contained in this report shall be considered proprietary information and shall be used by the Department {of Health and Social Services} and shall not be made available in the Public Report and shall not be subject to disclosure under the State’s Freedom of Information Act.”



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