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2026 Quarter 3 Quality Snapshot Highlights Wisconsin's National Leadership in Patient Experience

The 2026 Quarter 3 Wisconsin Hospitals Quality Snapshot is now available, highlighting how Wisconsin hospitals continue to demonstrate national leadership in patient experience and patient-centered care.

The latest snapshot showcases Wisconsin's exceptional performance, leading the nation across several patient experience measures, including:

- 44 hospitals earning five-star ratings for nurse communication
- 22 hospitals receiving five-star overall patient experience ratings, and
- 30 hospitals achieving five-star cleanliness ratings.

These nationally recognized results reflect Wisconsin hospitals' unwavering commitment to providing safe, compassionate and responsive care while continuously improving patient experience.

These achievements, along with the quality improvement initiatives featured throughout the snapshot, reflect the strength of Wisconsin's collaborative approach to quality improvement. Highlights include the statewide launch of Phase 2 of the Caring for Wisconsin's Caregivers workforce well-being initiative, the Wisconsin Quality Residency Program, substance use disorder education efforts, continued implementation of the Wisconsin Dental Pain Protocol and the successful completion of WHA's Swing Bed Optimization Initiative, which supported rural hospitals in strengthening access to post-acute care close to home. Together, these efforts demonstrate how hospitals across Wisconsin continue to invest in innovative strategies that improve care delivery, strengthen the workforce and enhance outcomes for patients and communities.

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