

## We achieved The Gold Seal of Approval® from The Joint Commission What does this mean?





## What is the Joint Commission Gold Seal of Approval®?

A nationally recognized distinction voluntarily earned by a select set of healthcare providers.

An organization that achieves The Gold Seal of Approval® shows its commitment to holding itself accountable to a high bar for quality and safety for those they serve.

## How does an organization earn the Gold Seal of Approval® from The Joint Commission?

Specially trained health care professionals who are experts in their fields have visited this organization to assess their compliance to a rigorous set of Joint Commission performance standards. The standards focus on important patient, individual, or resident care and organization functions identified as essential to providing safe, high-quality care. The standards are developed with input from health care professionals, providers, subject matter experts, consumers, and government agencies.



During the review an organization is evaluated to determine if they have processes and systems in place to, for example:



provide a safe environment for care



educate patients about the risks and options for diagnosis and treatment



protect patient rights, including privacy rights



protect patients against infection



plan for emergency situations

Upon demonstrating they have successfully met the full set of relevant performance standards for their setting of care, The Gold Seal of Approval will be awarded.

## Who is the Joint Commission?

The Joint Commission is the nation's leading and most widely recognized healthcare performance improvement organization. Our vision is that all people always experience the safest, highest quality, best-value health care across all settings. We do this by setting quality standards, evaluating an organization's performance, and providing an educative experience designed to foster continuous improvement. Today we've grown to accredit and certify more than 22,000 health care programs worldwide.

