

Having a baby is one of life’s most exciting experiences, but the type of care received in the hospital can vary greatly. Women and families can access [Leapfrog's Hospital Survey results](#) to consider which hospital they’d like to use for their child’s delivery.

DFWBGH and The Leapfrog Group believe additional information about the maternity care services that a hospital offers may be helpful for patient decision-making. To help inform those that will be delivering a baby, Leapfrog publicly reports on whether a hospital offers the following maternity care services:

1. Certified nurse-midwives for delivery
2. Doulas for labor and delivery
3. Breastfeeding/lactation consultants
4. Vaginal birth after Cesarean section (VBAC)
5. Postpartum tubal ligation during the labor and delivery admission



The Leapfrog Group also publicly reports on whether a hospital has a policy in place to protect women and newborns from early elective deliveries, which are scheduled Cesarean sections (C-sections) or medical inductions prior to 39 completed weeks of gestation, which are known to cause serious complications.

*This Brief shows individual and aggregated DFW area hospital data for C-sections and Episiotomies. Aggregated DFW Hospital results are compared to Texas and US hospital results. As shown below, the DFW area has a lower percentage of hospitals reaching the “4 Achieved Standard” metric, than the US overall.*

*Page 2 of this Brief shows results for each applicable reporting hospital in this region. Access each hospital’s full report via [Leapfrog Hospital Survey Results](#).*

### Hospitals Reporting on C-section Results in 2024 Leapfrog Survey

*Aggregated C-section Results as of 08/31/24*

		DFW	Texas	US
4	Achieved Standard	28%	34%	41%
3	Considerable Achievement	6%	10%	11%
2	Some Achievement	38%	23%	26%
1	Limited Achievement	28%	32%	23%

#### C-Sections

Experts agree that C-sections, particularly among low-risk, first-time mothers, may not be necessary and can be risky for mother and baby. This Quality Measure assesses a hospital's rate of C-sections for first-time mothers giving birth to a single baby, at full-term, in the head-down position.

Hospitals should have a C-section rate of 23.6% or less.

#### Episiotomies

Experts agree that episiotomies - an incision made in the perineum (the birth canal) during childbirth - should not be done routinely and can result in worse perineal tears, loss of bladder or bowel control, and pelvic floor defects.

This Quality Measure assesses a hospital's rate of episiotomies among women who had a vaginal delivery.

Hospitals should have an episiotomies rate of 5% or less.

### Hospitals Reporting on Episiotomy Results in 2024 Leapfrog Survey

*Aggregated Episiotomy Results as of 08/31/24*

		DFW	Texas	US
4	Achieved Standard	75%	69%	82%
3	Considerable Achievement	19%	21%	14%
2	Some Achievement	3%	7%	3%
1	Limited Achievement	3%	3%	2%

Learn more about Why Maternity Care Matters as well as link to a fact sheet regarding maternity care standards on this link: [Leapfrog Maternity Care standards](#).

## Leapfrog Maternity Care Quality Scores

Dallas-Fort Worth Hospitals	Spring 2024 Safety Grade	C-section*	Episiotomy*
Baylor Scott White All Saints Medical Center - Fort Worth	A	2	4
Baylor Scott White Medical Center - Grapevine	B	2	2
Baylor Scott White Medical Center - Irving	A	1	4
Baylor Scott White Medical Center - Lake Pointe	B	4	4
Baylor Scott White Medical Center - McKinney	A	1	4
Baylor Scott White Medical Center - Sunnyvale	C	x	x
Baylor Scott White Medical Center - Waxahachie	A	2	4
Baylor Scott White Medical Center Centennial	A	2	4
Baylor Scott and White Medical Center Frisco	A	x	x
Baylor University Medical Center - Dallas	C	2	4
Dallas Regional Medical Center	B	3	1
Hunt Regional Medical Center Greenville	C	x	x
John Peter Smith Hospital	C	1	4
Lake Granbury Medical Center	C	4	4
Medical City Alliance	A	2	3
Medical City Arlington	B	2	4
Medical City Dallas	B	2	3
Medical City Decatur	C	1	4
Medical City Frisco	B	3	3
Medical City Las Colinas	B	1	4
Medical City Lewisville	A	1	3
Medical City McKinney	A	4	4
Medical City Plano	A	4	4
Medical City Weatherford	A	4	3
Methodist Charlton Medical Center	B	2	3
Methodist Dallas Medical Center	A	4	4
Methodist Mansfield Medical Center	C	1	4
Methodist Midlothian Medical Center	A	4	4
Methodist Richardson Medical Center	B	1	4
North Texas Medical Center	C	x	x
Palo Pinto General Hospital	C	x	x
Parkland Health	D	x	x
Texas Health Allen	C	x	x
Texas Health Alliance	A	x	x
Texas Health Arlington Memorial Hospital	C	x	x
Texas Health Azle	B	x	x
Texas Health Cleburne	B	x	x
Texas Health Denton	C	x	x
Texas Health Flower Mound	C	x	x
Texas Health Fort Worth	C	x	x
Texas Health Frisco	C	x	x
Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Hurst-Euless-Bedford	C	x	x
Texas Health Hospital Rockwall	B	x	x
Texas Health Huguley Hospital	B	4	4
Texas Health Kaufman	B	x	x
Texas Health Mansfield	A	4	4
Texas Health Plano	C	x	x
Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas	C	x	x
Texas Health Southwest Fort Worth	C	x	x
Texoma Medical Center	B	2	4
UT Health Athens	B	2	4
White Rock Medical Center	D	x	x
William P. Clements Jr. University Hospital	C	2	4
Wilson N. Jones Regional Medical Center	D	x	x

The annual [Leapfrog Hospital survey](#) assesses hospital safety, quality, and efficiency based on national performance measures of specific interest to health care purchasers and consumers. Survey results are publicly reported and provide hospitals with information to benchmark their progress in improving care. About 2,400 hospitals across the US complete the annual Leapfrog Survey.

### Legend:

- 4 – Achieved Standard
  - 3 – Considerable Achievement
  - 2 – Some Achievement
  - 1 – Limited Achievement
  - x – Declined to respond
- \*Hospital Survey Results as of 08/31/24

Note: Area hospitals that do not offer maternity care, or had too few cases to report have not been listed here but are shown on the link below.

Access each hospital's safety grade and full report via [Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades](#).



### Call to Action for Employers:

- Inform your employees about the Leapfrog Survey and Hospital Safety Grades by visiting <http://www.leapfroggroup.org/> and <http://www.hospitalsafetygrade.org>
- Discuss these findings with your hospital and health plan partners and ask what they are doing to improve patient-safety.
- Urge hospitals that do not participate in the Leapfrog Hospital Survey to do so.

The [DFW Business Group on Health \(DFWBGH\)](#) serves as Regional Leader for [The Leapfrog Group](#) for the DFW Area. The Leapfrog Group is a nonprofit and is the nation's premier advocate of hospital transparency – collecting, analyzing and disseminating hospital data to inform value-based purchasing. For more information, contact Donita Doubet at [doubet@dfwbgh.org](mailto:doubet@dfwbgh.org).