



MARYLAND
Health Care
Commission

Certificate of Ongoing Performance for Cardiac Surgery Services

SINAI HOSPITAL OF BALTIMORE

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Summary of Standards for Cardiac Surgical Services Certificates of Ongoing Performance

Data Collection

- ▶ Submission of data to STS-ACSD and MHCC

Quality

- ▶ CEO certification that hospital fully complies with quality assurance activities
- ▶ Appropriate action in response to concerns identified through quality assurance process

Performance Standards

- ▶ STS-ACSD composite score for CABG of two stars or higher
- ▶ Risk-adjusted mortality rate that is consistent with high quality patient care

Volume Requirements

- ▶ Annual volume of 200 or more cases

Staff Recommendations on Select Standards in COMAR 10.24.17



Current Standard and Description	Staff Analysis/Applicant Information	Recommend Finding Hospital Meets Standard
<p>.07B(4)(b) Demonstration of appropriate action in response to concerns identified in quality assurance process</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program held several meetings related to quality, performed an external review, and demonstrated follow-up on identified concerns 	<p>Yes</p>
<p>.07B(5)(a) STS-ACSD composite score of two stars or higher for CABG cases</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two stars for CABG cases for each reporting period between January 2018 and June 2023 	<p>Yes</p>
<p>.07B(5)(b) A hospital with an all-cause 30-day risk-adjusted mortality rate that exceeds the national average beyond the acceptable margin of error is subject to a focused review</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complied for five of six reporting periods between January 2018 and December 2022 Focused review for CABG cases with mortality in CY 2019. Actions taken address concern raised and the hospital's mortality rate for CABG cases was similar to the national average. 	<p>Yes</p>
<p>.07B(6)(a) Cardiac surgery annual volume of 200 cases</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cardiac surgery volume was over 200 cases, except in CY 2020 and CY 2021, when this standard was waived due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 	<p>Yes</p>



Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Commission find that Sinai Hospital of Baltimore meets the requirements and issue a Certificate of Ongoing Performance for Sinai Hospital of Baltimore to continue providing cardiac surgery services for four years.