



MARYLAND
Health Care
Commission

Certificate of Ongoing Performance for Primary and Elective PCI Services

CARROLL HOSPITAL CENTER (CHC)

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Summary of Standards for PCI Certificates of Ongoing Performance (COMAR 10.24.17)

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- ▶ Volume
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Staff Analysis and Conclusions



Summary of Standard	Applicant Information and Staff Analysis	Condition?
Door-to-balloon (DTB) times of 90 minutes or less for 75 percent of non-transfer primary PCI cases	CHC met the DTB standard in nine of the sixteen quarters between January 2020 and December 2023. In most cases where the standard was missed, there was a non-system reason for the delay. Additionally, the DTB standard was waived in 2020 and 2021, due to the COVID-19 state of emergency.	No
Develop a formal process for interventional case review that includes regularly scheduled meetings held at least every other month	CHC provided documentation for interventional case review meetings held from CY 2019 through CY 2023. These meetings included interventionalists, and other physicians and nurses caring for primary PCI patients. At least ten meetings were held each year during the review period. A condition is recommended as CCL technicians rarely attend these meetings, as required.	Yes

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Semi-annual external review of at least 5% of randomly selected elective PCI cases and at least three cases per physician, or all cases if fewer than three cases performed	Semi-annual reviews were completed from January 2019 through December 2022; for each external review period, between 20.6 and 27.3 percent of elective PCI cases were reviewed. An appropriate number of cases were reviewed per physician, with one exception in the period from July through December 2020. CHC was not responsible for this error.	No



Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Commission issue a Certificate of Ongoing Performance that permits Carroll Hospital Center to continue providing primary and elective percutaneous coronary intervention services for four years with the following condition:

CHC shall hold interventional case review meetings at least every other month that include physicians, nurses, and technicians, as required in COMAR 10.24.17.07D(5)(a). CHC shall track the attendance of physicians, nurses, and technicians at each of these meetings. CHC shall submit to Commission staff attendance lists for each of these meetings held between May and October by December 1 of each year and attendance lists for meetings held between November and April by June 1 of each year, beginning with meetings held after November 30, 2024, until at least December 31, 2026, to document compliance with this condition. After this date, the Executive Director may release CHC from the reporting requirement if the Executive Director determines that the hospital has achieved substantial compliance with this condition.