

## National Patient Safety Goals 2010

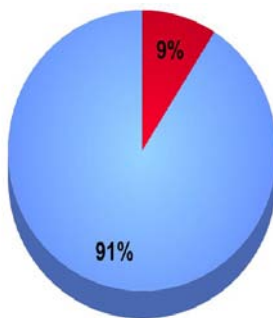
### NPSG.03.04.01 (formerly Goal 3D)<sup>1</sup>

Label all medications, medication containers, and other solutions on and off the sterile field and other procedural settings.

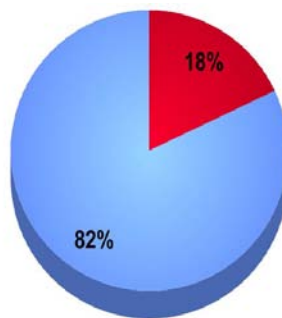
Note: Medication containers include syringes, medicine cups and basins.

### National Patient Safety Goal 03.04.01 compliance trends 2008 Hospital Accreditation Program (January 1 – December 31, 2008)<sup>2</sup>

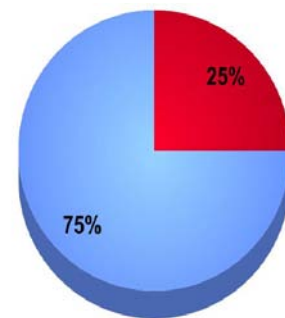
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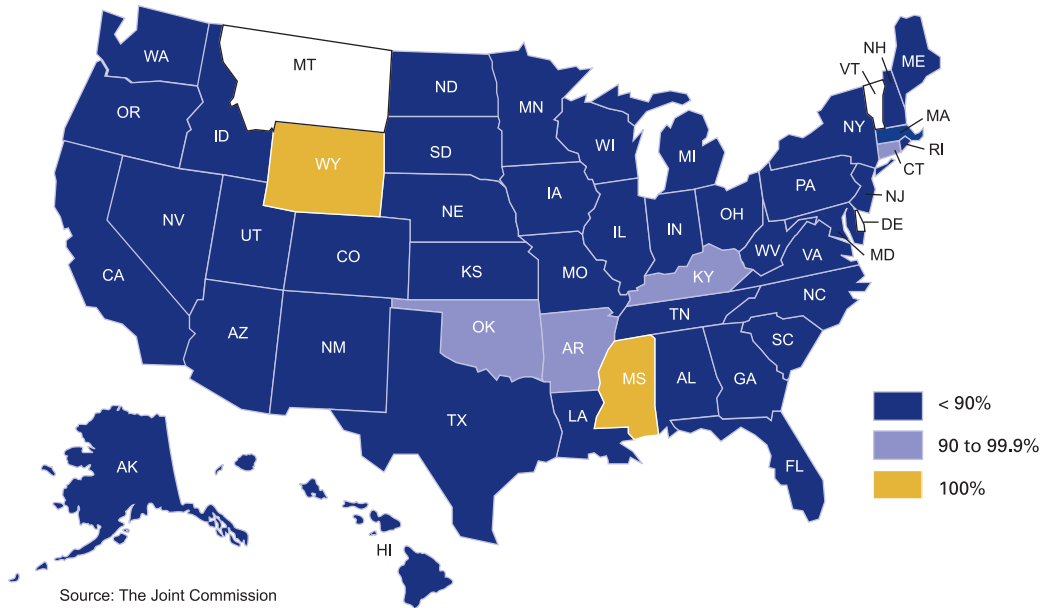
<sup>1</sup> [http://www.jointcommission.org/NR/rdonlyres/21B16F75-DBAC-4B1D-929C-8841006B2DC9/0/AHC\\_2010NationalPatientSafetyGoals\\_PrePub\\_20090909.pdf](http://www.jointcommission.org/NR/rdonlyres/21B16F75-DBAC-4B1D-929C-8841006B2DC9/0/AHC_2010NationalPatientSafetyGoals_PrePub_20090909.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.jointcommission.org/NR/rdonlyres/184406E5-0646-4D5A-A844-3DE467309F39/0/Hospitalprogram2008.pdf>

## National Patient Safety Goal 3: Improve the safety of using medications.

**Requirement 3D: Label all medications, medication containers (for example, syringes, medicine cups, basins), or other solutions on and off the sterile field.**

Labeling of All Medications and Medication Containers: 2007 State Rates



### WHAT THIS INFORMATION TELLS US

These data report the percentage of hospitals that labeled all medications, medication containers (for example, syringes, medicine cups, basins) or other solutions on and off the sterile field.

### RESULT

- In 2007, Joint Commission-accredited hospitals achieved national average performance of 82.0 percent in labeling all medications, medication containers and other solutions on and off the sterile field.

What one should know about the data

- 1,466 hospitals underwent onsite surveys during 2007.
- Delaware, Montana and Vermont did not have enough surveys in 2007 to make state comparisons useful.