



**National Patient Safety Goal compliance trends by program  
2008 Hospital Accreditation Program (January 1 – December 31, 2008)**

The numbers represent percentages, except the second row, which represents the number of surveys conducted. Rates for the current year are not considered final until all surveys for the year have been completed and reviewed.

Goal	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Number of surveys	1427	1365	1429	1573	1528	1249
1A Two patient identifiers	95	97	92	95	96	96
2A Read back verbal orders	98	96	84	88	92	93
2B "Do not use" abbreviations	84	75	63	61	75	76
2C Reporting critical test results	63	64	73	90	n/a	n/a
2E Hand-off communication	99	98	94	n/a	n/a	n/a
3A Restrict concentrated electrolytes	n/a	n/a	n/a	99	98	97
3B Standardize drug concentrations	n/a	99	98	98	99	99
3C Look-alike, sound-alike drugs	96	94	93	98	n/a	n/a
3D Labeling medications & solutions	75	82	91	n/a	n/a	n/a
3E Anticoagulation therapy	99	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
5A Infusion pump free-flow protection	n/a	n/a	n/a	100	100	100
6A Maintain & test alarm systems	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	100	99
6B Alarms set properly & audible	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	98	98
7A CDC hand hygiene guidelines	89	91	91	96	99	n/a
7B Health-care associated infection	100	100	100	100	100	n/a
8A Medication list & reconciliation	81	81	66	100	n/a	n/a
8B Transfer/discharge reconciliation	88	88	72	100	n/a	n/a
9A Fall risk assessment	n/a	n/a	n/a	95	n/a	n/a
9B Fall prevention program**	96	95	93	n/a	n/a	n/a
13A Patient involvement	100	99	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
15A Suicide risk assessment	98	98	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
16A Recognize & respond to patient's condition	100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
UP* 1A Pre-operative verification	98	99	97	95	95	98
UP* 1B Surgical site marking	94	93	93	97	95	94
UP* 1C "Time-out" before surgery	79	78	74	83	92	91

\* Universal Protocol

\*\* In 2006, 9B replaced 9A