



**National Patient Safety Goal compliance trends by program
2008 Ambulatory Care 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	459	452	434	403	448	397
1A Two patient identifiers	94	94	93	96	92	93
2A Read back verbal orders	98	96	91	89	92	94
2B "Do not use" abbreviations	90	88	76	82	84	80
2C Reporting critical test results	79	79	92	99	n/a	n/a
2E Hand-off communication	100	100	97	n/a	n/a	n/a
3A Restrict concentrated electrolytes	n/a	n/a	n/a	98	99	97
3B Standardize drug concentrations	n/a	100	99	100	100	98
3C Look-alike, sound-alike drugs	92	87	91	96	n/a	n/a
3D Labeling medications & solutions	82	85	96	n/a	n/a	n/a
3E Anticoagulation therapy	98	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
5A Infusion pump free-flow protection	n/a	n/a	n/a	100	100	99
6A Maintain & test alarm systems	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	100	97
6B Alarms set properly & audible	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	100	97
7A CDC hand hygiene guidelines	87	90	88	93	98	n/a
7B Health-care associated infection	100	100	100	98	100	n/a
8A Medication list & reconciliation	89	84	76	99	n/a	n/a
8B Transfer/discharge reconciliation	81	73	74	99	n/a	n/a
11A Surgical fire prevention	98	98	99	98	n/a	n/a
13A Patient involvement	93	95	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
UP* 1A Pre-operative verification	99	99	98	95	98	98
UP* 1B Surgical site marking	94	95	92	94	96	96
UP* 1C "Time-out" before surgery	86	81	76	86	93	94

* Universal Protocol