Hospital Accreditation

- The Joint Commission has accredited hospitals for more than 60 years
- Today, The Joint Commission accredits approximately 4,477 general, pediatric, long term acute, psychiatric, rehabilitation and specialty hospitals

Approximately 77 percent of the nation’s hospitals are currently accredited by The Joint Commission, and approximately 88 percent of hospitals that are accredited in the United States are accredited by The Joint Commission.

The Joint Commission offers hospitals a number of voluntary, add-on certification options, including:

- Comprehensive Cardiac Center
- Disease-Specific Care, comprising:
  - Various stroke systems of care offerings, including Comprehensive Stroke Center
  - Various orthopedic offerings, including Advanced Total Hip and Total Knee Replacement and orthopedic rehabilitation certification
- Health Care Staffing Services
- Integrated Care
- Medication Compounding
- Palliative Care
- Perinatal Care
- Patient Blood Management
- Primary Care Medical Home for hospitals and critical access hospitals

Cost of accreditation
Annual fees for hospitals are based on the type of hospital and weighted values for volume based on the types of services provided by a hospital. Customers receive the annual fee invoice in January of each year; new customers receive their annual fee invoice after submitting their application for accreditation. The on-site survey fee is billed within seven days of the survey's completion. Health systems have the option to receive a corporate orientation or corporate summation. These can be conducted by the team leader, by a team member, by video conference or summation report. The Joint Commission posts its pricing schedule on the Joint Commission Connect extranet.