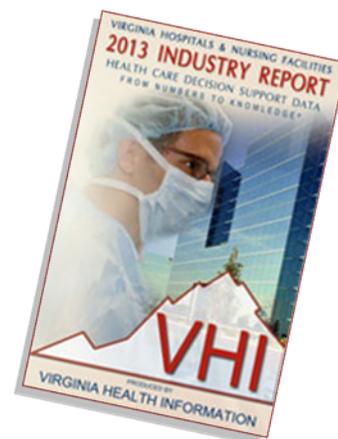


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VIRGINIA HEALTH INFORMATION RELEASES 2013 INDUSTRY REPORT

Richmond, VA – Improving health care transparency is one of the ways that Virginia Health Information (VHI) is carrying out its mission to provide Virginians with the tools to understand their health care options and make informed decisions. VHI published the **2013 Industry Report: Virginia Hospital & Nursing Facilities**, an annual report comparing the performance of Virginia's health care providers.

The **Industry Report** is widely regarded as the top resource for businesses and large purchasers of health care. The report provides a comparative analysis of hospitals and nursing facilities based on five performance categories—charges, costs, productivity and utilization, financial viability and community support. Employers and other purchasers use the performance metrics provided in the report to evaluate health care facilities. Additionally, health plans, health insurance companies and health care providers find the **Industry Report** helpful when developing provider networks and negotiating provider contracts.

VHI's **Industry Report** contains performance indicators including costs and payments per admission, staffing levels, profit margins and charity care contributions. The report identifies the most efficient providers with a Composite Efficiency and Productivity Score, an overall ranking of hospitals based on cost, utilization and efficiency measures, for every hospital in the corresponding region.

The **2013 Industry Report: Virginia Hospital & Nursing Facilities** top five hospitals with the highest composite efficiency ranking include:

- Riverside Walter Reed Hospital
- Bon Secours Memorial Regional Medical Center
- Virginia Hospital Center
- Sentara Leigh Hospital
- Reston Hospital Center

Information from the **2013 Industry Report** is also online at www.vhi.org along with additional information on hospital quality of care and patient satisfaction information. Contact Virginia Health Information at 1-877-VHI-INFO or info@vhi.org. VHI is the non-profit organization the Commonwealth of Virginia and businesses go to for consumer and business health information.

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