ADULT CARDIAC SURGERY in New York State 2006 – 2008

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INTRODUCTION

The information contained in this booklet is intended for health care providers, patients and families of patients who are considering cardiac surgery. It provides data on risk factors associated with death following coronary artery bypass graft surgery (CABG) and heart valve surgery, and lists hospital and physician-specific mortality rates which have been risk-adjusted to account for differences in patient severity of illness.

New York State (NYS) has taken a leadership role in setting standards for cardiac services, monitoring outcomes and sharing performance data with patients, hospitals and physicians. Hospitals and doctors involved in cardiac care have worked in cooperation with the NYS Department of Health (Department of Health) and the NYS Cardiac Advisory Committee (Cardiac Advisory Committee) to compile accurate and meaningful data that can and have been used to enhance quality of care. We believe that this process has been instrumental in achieving the excellent outcomes that are evidenced in this report for centers across NYS.

We are pleased to be able to continue to provide information in this year’s report that encompasses outcomes for isolated CABG, valve surgery and the two procedures done in combination. Isolated CABG represents the majority of adult cardiac surgeries performed, and we have reported risk-adjusted outcomes for that procedure for nearly 20 years. However, many additional patients undergo procedures each year to repair or replace heart valves or undergo valve surgery done in combination with CABG. This report provides important information on the risk factors and outcomes for both CABG and valve surgery. In addition, this report includes information on mortality outside the hospital but within 30 days following surgery. We believe this to be an important quality indicator that will provide useful information to patients and providers.

As they develop treatment plans, we encourage doctors to discuss this information with their patients and colleagues. While these statistics are an important tool in making informed health care choices, individual treatment plans must be made by doctors and patients together after careful consideration of all pertinent factors. It is important to recognize that many factors can influence the outcome of cardiac surgery. These include the patient’s health before the procedure, the skill of the operating team and general after-care. In addition, keep in mind that the information in this booklet does not include data after 2008. Important changes may have taken place in some hospitals during that time period.

In developing treatment plans, it is important that patients and physicians alike give careful consideration to the importance of healthy lifestyles for all those affected by heart disease. While some risk factors, such as heredity, gender and age cannot be controlled, others certainly can. Controllable risk factors that contribute to a higher likelihood of developing coronary artery disease are high cholesterol levels, cigarette smoking, high blood pressure, obesity and lack of exercise. Limiting these risk factors after surgery will continue to be important in minimizing the occurrence of new blockages.

Providers of this state and the Cardiac Advisory Committee are to be commended for the excellent results that have been achieved through this cooperative quality improvement system. The Department of Health will continue to work in partnership with hospitals and physicians to ensure continued high-quality cardiac surgery is available to NYS residents.
Heart disease is, by far, the leading cause of death in NYS, and the most common form of heart disease is atherosclerotic coronary artery disease. Different treatments are recommended for patients with coronary artery disease. For some people, changes in lifestyle, such as dietary changes, not smoking and regular exercise, can result in great improvements in health. In other cases, medication prescribed for high blood pressure or other conditions can make a significant difference.

Sometimes, however, an interventional procedure is recommended. The two common procedures performed on patients with coronary artery disease are CABG surgery and percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI).

CABG surgery is an operation in which a vein or artery from another part of the body is used to create an alternate path for blood to flow to the heart muscle, bypassing the arterial blockage. Typically, a section of one of the large (saphenous) veins in the leg, the radial artery in the arm or the mammary artery in the chest is used to construct the bypass. One or more bypasses may be performed during a single operation, since providing several routes for the blood supply to travel is believed to improve long-term success for the procedure. Triple and quadruple bypasses are often done for this reason, not necessarily because the patient's condition is more severe. CABG surgery is one of the most common, successful major operations currently performed in the United States.

As is true of all major surgery, risks must be considered. The patient is totally anesthetized and there is generally a substantial recovery period in the hospital followed by several weeks of recuperation at home. Even in successful cases, there is a risk of relapse causing the need for another operation.

Those who have CABG surgery are not cured of coronary artery disease; the disease can still occur in the grafted blood vessels or other coronary arteries. In order to minimize new blockages, patients should continue to reduce their risk factors for heart disease.

Heart valves control the flow of blood as it enters the heart and is pumped from the chambers of the heart to the lungs for oxygenation and back to the body. There are four valves: the tricuspid, mitral, pulmonic and aortic valves. Heart valve disease occurs when a valve cannot open all the way because of disease or injury, thus causing a decrease in blood flow to the next heart chamber. Another type of valve problem occurs when the valve does not close completely, which leads to blood leaking backward into the previous chamber. Either of these problems causes the heart to work harder to pump blood or causes blood to back up in the lungs or lower body.

When a valve is stenotic (too narrow to allow enough blood to flow through the valve opening) or incompetent (cannot close tightly enough to prevent the backflow of blood), one of the treatment options is to repair the valve. Repair of a stenotic valve typically involves widening the valve opening, whereas repair of an incompetent valve is typically achieved by narrowing or tightening the supporting structures of the valve. The mitral valve is particularly amenable to valve repairs because its parts can frequently be repaired without having to be replaced.

In many cases, defective valves are replaced rather than repaired, using either a mechanical or biological valve. Mechanical valves are built using durable materials that generally last a lifetime. Biological valves are made from tissue taken from pigs, cows or humans. Mechanical and biological valves each have advantages and disadvantages that can be discussed with referring physicians.

The most common heart valve surgeries involve the aortic and mitral valves. Patients undergoing heart surgery are totally anesthetized and are usually placed on a heart-lung machine, whereby the heart is stopped for a short period of time using special drugs. As is the case for CABG surgery, there is a recovery period of several weeks at home after being discharged from the hospital. Some patients require replacement of more than one valve and some patients with both coronary artery disease and valve disease require valve replacement and CABG surgery. This report contains outcomes for the following valve procedures when done alone or in combination with CABG: Aortic Valve Replacement, Mitral Valve Repair, Mitral Valve Replacement and Multiple Valve Surgery.
THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROGRAM

For many years, the Department of Health has been studying the effects of patient and treatment characteristics (called risk factors) on outcomes for patients with heart disease. Detailed statistical analyses of the information received from the study have been conducted under the guidance of the Cardiac Advisory Committee, a group of independent practicing cardiac surgeons, cardiologists and other professionals in related fields.

The results have been used to create a cardiac profile system which assesses the performance of hospitals and surgeons over time, independent of the severity of each individual patient’s pre-operative conditions.

PATIENT POPULATION

This report is based on data for patients discharged between January 1, 2006, and December 31, 2008, provided by all non-federal hospitals in NYS where cardiac surgery is performed.

Beginning with patients discharged in 2006, the Department of Health, with the advice of the Cardiac Advisory Committee, began a trial period of excluding from publicly released reports any patients meeting the Cardiac Data System definition of pre-operative cardiogenic shock. Cardiogenic shock is a condition associated with severe hypotension (very low blood pressure). [The technical definition used in this report can be found on page 43.] Patients in cardiogenic shock are extremely high-risk, but for some, cardiac surgery may be their best chance for survival.

Furthermore, the magnitude of the risk is not always easily determined using registry data. These cases were excluded after careful deliberation and input from NYS providers and others in an effort to ensure that physicians could accept these cases where appropriate without concern over a detrimental impact on their reported outcomes.

In total, 363 cases with cardiogenic shock were removed from 2006-2008 data. This accounts for 0.58 percent of all cardiac surgeries (CABG, valve surgery and other cardiac surgery reported in this data system) in the three years.

In addition, 97 records were excluded from the 2007 and 2008 databases because they belong to patients residing outside the United States, and these patients could not be followed after hospital discharge. An additional 26 records belonging to patients enrolled in a clinical trial (PARTNER) comparing outcomes for two kinds of valve replacement procedures were excluded as well.

Isolated CABG surgery represented 54.59 percent of all adult cardiac surgery for the three-year period covered by this report. Valve or combined valve/CABG surgery represented 34.33 percent of all adult cardiac surgery for the same period. Total cardiac surgery, isolated CABG, valve or valve/CABG surgery and other cardiac surgery volumes are tabulated in Table 7 by hospital and surgeon for the period 2006 through 2008.

RISK ADJUSTMENT FOR ASSESSING PROVIDER PERFORMANCE

Provider performance is directly related to patient outcomes. Whether patients recover quickly, experience complications or die following a procedure is, in part, a result of the kind of medical care they receive. It is difficult, however, to compare outcomes across hospitals when assessing provider performance because different hospitals treat different types of patients. Hospitals with sicker patients may have higher rates of complications and death than other hospitals in the state. The following describes how the Department of Health adjusts for patient risk in assessing provider outcomes.
Data Collection, Data Validation and Identifying In-Hospital/30-Day Deaths

As part of the risk-adjustment process, NYS hospitals where cardiac surgery is performed provide information to the Department of Health for each patient undergoing that procedure. Cardiac surgery departments collect data concerning patients’ demographic and clinical characteristics. Approximately 40 of these characteristics (called risk factors) are collected for each patient. Along with information about the procedure, physician and the patient’s status at discharge, these data are entered into a computer and sent to the Department of Health for analysis.

Data are verified through review of unusual reporting frequencies, cross-matching of cardiac surgery data with other Department of Health databases and a review of medical records for a selected sample of cases. These activities are extremely helpful in ensuring consistent interpretation of data elements across hospitals.

The analyses in this report base mortality on deaths occurring during the same hospital stay in which a patient underwent cardiac surgery and on deaths that occur after discharge but within 30 days of surgery.

An in-hospital death is defined as a patient who died subsequent to CABG or valve surgery during the same admission or was discharged to hospice care and expired within 30 days.

Deaths that occur after hospital discharge but within 30 days of surgery are also counted in the risk-adjusted mortality analyses. This is done because hospital length of stay has been decreasing and, in the opinion of the Cardiac Advisory Committee, most deaths that occur after hospital discharge but within 30 days of surgery are related to complications of surgery.

Data on deaths occurring after discharge from the hospital are obtained from the Social Security Administration Death Master File, the Department of Health and the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Bureau of Vital Statistics.

Assessing Patient Risk

Each person who develops heart disease has a unique health history. A cardiac profile system has been developed to evaluate the risk of treatment for each individual patient based on his or her history, weighing the important health factors for that person based on the experiences of thousands of patients who have undergone the same procedures in recent years. All important risk factors for each patient are combined to create a risk profile. For example, an 80-year-old patient with a history of a previous open heart surgery has a very different risk profile than a 40-year-old with no previous open heart surgery.

The statistical analyses conducted by the Department of Health consist of determining which of the risk factors collected are significantly related to death following CABG and/or valve surgery and determining how to weigh the significant risk factors to predict the chance each patient will have of dying, given his or her specific characteristics.

Doctors and patients should review individual risk profiles together. Treatment decisions must be made by doctors and patients together after consideration of all the information.

Predicting Patient Mortality Rates for Providers

The statistical methods used to predict mortality on the basis of the significant risk factors are tested to determine whether they are sufficiently accurate in predicting mortality for patients who are extremely ill prior to undergoing the procedure as well as for patients who are relatively healthy. These tests have confirmed that the models are reasonably accurate in predicting how patients of all different risk levels will fare when undergoing cardiac surgery.

The mortality rate for each hospital and surgeon is also predicted using the relevant statistical models. This is accomplished by summing the predicted probabilities of death for each of the provider’s patients and dividing by the number of patients. The resulting rate is an estimate of what the provider’s mortality rate would have been if the provider’s performance were identical to the state performance. The percentage is called the predicted or expected mortality rate (EMR). A hospital’s EMR is contrasted with its observed mortality rate (OMR), which is the number of patients who died divided by the total number of patients.

Computing the Risk-Adjusted Mortality Rate

The risk-adjusted mortality rate (RAMR) represents the best estimate, based on the associated statistical model, of what the provider’s mortality rate would have been if the provider had a mix of patients identical to the statewide mix. Thus, the RAMR has, to the extent possible, ironed out differences among providers in patient severity of illness, since it arrives at a mortality rate for each provider for an identical group of patients.
To get the RAMR, the OMR is first divided by the provider’s EMR. If the resulting ratio is larger than one, the provider has a higher mortality rate than expected on the basis of its patient mix; if it is smaller than one, the provider has a lower mortality rate than expected from its patient mix. For isolated CABG patients the ratio is then multiplied by the overall statewide mortality rate of 1.81 percent (in-hospital/30-day mortality in 2008) to obtain the provider’s RAMR. For the three-year period 2006-2008, the ratio is multiplied by 1.89 percent (in-hospital/30-day mortality rate) for isolated CABG patients or 5.22 percent (in-hospital/30-day mortality rate) for valve or valve/CABG patients.

Interpreting the Risk-Adjusted Mortality Rate

If the RAMR is significantly lower than the statewide mortality rate, the provider has a significantly better performance than the state as a whole; if the RAMR is significantly higher than the statewide mortality rate, the provider has a significantly worse performance than the state as a whole.

The RAMR is used in this report as a measure of quality of care provided by hospitals and surgeons. However, there are reasons that a provider’s RAMR may not be indicative of its true quality. For example, extreme outcome rates may occur due to chance alone. This is particularly true for low-volume providers, for whom very high or very low mortality rates are more likely to occur than for high-volume providers. To prevent misinterpretation of differences caused by chance variation, confidence intervals are reported in the results. The interpretations of those terms are provided later when the data are presented.

Differences in hospital coding of risk factors could be an additional reason that a provider’s RAMR may not be reflective of quality of care. The Department of Health monitors the quality of coded data by reviewing samples of patients’ medical records to ascertain the presence of key risk factors. When significant coding problems are discovered, hospitals are required to correct these data and are subjected to subsequent monitoring.

Although there are reasons that RAMRs presented here may not be a perfect reflection of quality of care, the Department of Health feels that this information is a valuable aid in choosing providers for cardiac surgery.

How This Initiative Contributes to Quality Improvement

The goal of the Department of Health and the Cardiac Advisory Committee is to improve the quality of care related to cardiac surgery in NYS. Providing the hospitals and cardiac surgeons in NYS with data about their own outcomes for these procedures allows them to examine the quality of the care they provide and to identify areas that need improvement.

The data collected and analyzed in this program are reviewed by the Cardiac Advisory Committee. Committee members assist with interpretation and advise the Department of Health regarding hospitals and surgeons that may need special attention. Committee members have also conducted site visits to particular hospitals and have recommended that some hospitals obtain the expertise of outside consultants to design improvements for their programs.

The overall results of this program of ongoing review show that significant progress is being made. In response to the program’s results for surgery, facilities have refined patient criteria, evaluated patients more closely for pre–operative risks and directed them to the appropriate surgeon. More importantly, many hospitals have identified medical care process problems that have led to less than optimal outcomes, and have altered those processes to achieve improved results.
2008 Risk Factors for CABG Surgery

The significant pre-operative risk factors for death in the hospital during the same admission as the surgery or after hospital discharge but within 30 days of surgery (in-hospital/30-day mortality) for CABG in 2008 are presented in Table 1.

Roughly speaking, the odds ratio for a risk factor represents the number of times a patient with that risk factor is more likely to die in the hospital during or after CABG or after discharge but within 30 days of the surgery than a patient without the risk factor, all other risk factors being the same. For example, the odds ratio for the risk factor COPD is 1.539. This means that a patient who has COPD prior to surgery is approximately 1.539 times as likely to die in the hospital or after discharge within 30 days of surgery as a patient who does not have COPD but who has the same other significant risk factors.

For some of the risk factors in the table, there are only two possibilities: having the risk factor and not having it. For example, a patient either has COPD or does not have COPD. Exceptions are: Age – Number of Years Greater than 55, Ejection Fraction (which is a measure of the heart’s ability to pump blood), Previous MI and Renal Failure.

For age, the odds ratio roughly represents the number of times a patient who is older than 55 is more likely to die in the hospital or after discharge but within 30 days than a patient who is one year younger. Thus, the chance of in-hospital / 30-day mortality for a patient undergoing CABG who is 56 years old is approximately 1.051 times that of a patient 55 years old undergoing CABG, if all other risk factors are the same. All patients age 55 and younger have roughly the same odds of dying in the hospital or after discharge but within 30 days if their other risk factors are identical.

The odds ratios for the categories for Ejection Fraction are relative to the reference category (40 percent and higher). Thus, patients with an ejection fraction of less than 30 percent have odds of in-hospital/30-day mortality that are 2.376 times the odds of a person with an ejection fraction of 40 percent or higher, all other risk factors being the same.

Previous MI is subdivided into three groups: occurring less than six hours prior to surgery, six hours to seven days prior and no MI within seven days prior to surgery. The last group is referred to as the reference category. The odds ratios for the Previous MI categories are relative to patients who have not had an MI within seven days prior to the procedure.

Since Renal Failure is expressed in terms of renal failure with dialysis and elevated creatinine without dialysis, the odds ratios for all Renal Failure categories are relative to patients with no dialysis and no creatinine greater than 1.3 mg/dL prior to surgery.
Table 1: Multivariable Risk Factor Equation for CABG In-Hospital/30-Day Deaths in New York State in 2008

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2008 HOSPITAL OUTCOMES FOR CABG SURGERY

Table 2 and Figure 1 present the CABG surgery results for the 40 hospitals performing this operation in NYS in 2008. The table contains, for each hospital, the number of isolated CABG operations (CABG operations with no other major heart surgery earlier in the hospital stay) for patients discharged in 2008, the number of in-hospital/30-day deaths, the OMR, the EMR based on the statistical model presented in Table 1, the RAMR and a 95 percent confidence interval for the RAMR.

As indicated in Table 2, the overall in-hospital/30-day mortality rate for the 10,707 CABG procedures performed at the 40 hospitals was 1.81 percent. In-hospital/30-day OMRs ranged from 0.00 percent to 5.66 percent. The range of EMRs, which measure patient severity of illness, was 1.24 percent to 2.43 percent.

The RAMRs, which are used to measure performance, ranged from 0.00 percent to 8.24 percent. Two hospitals (Buffalo General Hospital and NY Presbyterian-Columbia in Manhattan) had RAMRs that were significantly higher than the statewide rate.

No hospitals had RAMRs that were significantly lower than the statewide rate.

The 2008 in-hospital/30-day mortality rate of 1.81 percent for Isolated CABG is slightly lower than the 1.95 percent observed in 2007.

The in-hospital OMR for 2008 Isolated CABG discharges (not shown in Table 2) was 1.42 percent for all 10,707 patients included in the analysis.

Figures 1 and 2 provide a visual representation of the data displayed in Tables 2 and 3. For each hospital, the black dot represents the RAMR and the gray bar represents the confidence interval, or potential statistical error, for the RAMR. The black vertical line is the NYS in-hospital/30-day mortality rate. For any hospital where the gray bar crosses the state average line, the RAMR is not statistically different from the state as a whole. Hospitals that are statistical outliers will have gray bars (confidence intervals) that are either entirely above or entirely below the line for the statewide rate.

2006 - 2008 HOSPITAL OUTCOMES FOR VALVE SURGERY

Table 3 and Figure 2 present the combined Valve Only and Valve/CABG surgery results for the 40 hospitals performing these operations in NYS during the years 2006-2008. The table contains, for each hospital, the combined number of Valve Only and Valve/CABG operations resulting in 2006-2008 discharges, the number of in-hospital/30-day deaths, the OMR, the EMR based on the statistical models presented in Appendices 2-3, the RAMR and a 95 percent confidence interval for the RAMR.

As indicated in Table 3, the overall in-hospital/30-day mortality rate for the 21,445 combined Valve Only and Valve/CABG procedures performed at the 40 hospitals was 5.22 percent. The OMRs ranged from 1.25 percent to 9.01 percent. The range of EMRs, which measure patient severity of illness, was 2.96 percent to 6.88 percent.

The RAMRs, which are used to measure performance, ranged from 1.79 percent to 9.53 percent. Five hospitals (Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn, NYU Hospitals Center in Manhattan, St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Utica, Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, and United Health Services – Wilson Hospital Division in Johnson City) had RAMRs that were significantly higher than the statewide rate. Five hospitals (NY Presbyterian – Cornell in Manhattan, North Shore University Hospital in Manhasset, St. Francis Hospital in Roslyn, St. Peter’s Hospital in Albany and Vassar Brothers Medical Center in Poughkeepsie) had RAMRs that were significantly lower than the statewide rate.

Table 4 presents valve procedures performed at the 40 cardiac surgery hospitals in NYS during 2006-2008. The table contains, for each hospital, the number of valve operations (as defined by eight separate groups: Aortic Valve Replacements, Aortic Valve Repair or Replacements plus CABG, Mitral Valve Replacement, Mitral Valve Replacement plus CABG, Mitral Valve Repair, Mitral Valve Repair plus CABG, Multiple Valve Surgery and Multiple Valve Surgery plus CABG) resulting in 2006-2008 discharges. In addition to the hospital volumes, the rate of in-hospital/30-day death for the state
(Statewide Mortality Rate) is given for each group. Unless otherwise specified, when the report refers to Valve or Valve/CABG procedures it is referring to the last column of Table 4.

The 2006-2008 in-hospital/30-day OMR of 5.22 percent for valve surgeries is lower than the 5.45 percent observed for 2005-2007. The in-hospital OMR for 2006-2008 valve surgeries (not shown in Table 3) is 4.53 percent for the 21,445 patients included in this analysis.

Note on Hospitals Not Performing Cardiac Surgery During Entire 2006-2008 Period

One hospital began performing cardiac surgery during the 2006 - 2008 time period on which this report is based: Good Samaritan Hospital of Suffern began performing cardiac surgery in January 2007.

DEFINITIONS OF KEY TERMS

The observed mortality rate (OMR) is the observed number of deaths divided by the total number of cases.

The expected mortality rate (EMR) is the sum of the predicted probabilities of death for all patients divided by the total number of patients.

The risk-adjusted mortality rate (RAMR) is the best estimate, based on the statistical model, of what the provider’s mortality rate would have been if the provider had a mix of patients identical to the statewide mix. It is obtained by first dividing the OMR by the EMR, and then multiplying by the relevant statewide mortality rate (for example 1.81 percent for Isolated CABG patients in 2008 or 5.22 percent for Valve or Valve/CABG patients in 2006-2008).

Confidence Intervals are used to identify which hospitals had significantly more or fewer deaths than expected given the risk factors of their patients. The confidence interval identifies the range in which the RAMR may fall. Hospitals with significantly higher rates than expected after adjusting for risk are those where the confidence interval range falls entirely above the statewide mortality rate. Hospitals with significantly lower rates than expected, given the severity of illness of their patients before surgery, have confidence intervals entirely below the statewide mortality rate.

The more cases a provider performs, the narrower their confidence interval will be. This is because as a provider performs more cases, the likelihood of chance variation in the RAMR decreases.
Table 2: In-Hospital/30-Day Observed, Expected and Risk-Adjusted Mortality Rates for Isolated CABG Surgery in New York State, 2008 Discharges (Listed Alphabetically by Hospital)

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* RAMR significantly higher than statewide rate based on 95 percent confidence interval.
Figure 1: In-Hospital/30-Day Risk-Adjusted Mortality Rates for Isolated CABG in New York State, 2008 Discharges

Key
- RAMR
- Potential margin of statistical error
*RAMR significantly higher than statewide rate based on 95 percent confidence interval.
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* RAMR significantly higher than statewide rate based on 95 percent confidence interval.

** RAMR significantly lower than statewide rate based on 95 percent confidence interval.
Figure 2: In-Hospital/30-Day Risk-Adjusted Mortality Rates for Valve or Valve/CABG Surgery in New York State, 2006-2008 Discharges

Key
- RAMR significantly higher than statewide rate based on 95 percent confidence interval.
- RAMR significantly lower than statewide rate based on 95 percent confidence interval.

New York State Average

Albany Medical Center
Arnot Ogden Med Ctr
Bellevue Hospital Ctr
Beth Israel Med Ctr
Buffalo General Hosp
Champ. Valley Phys Hosp
Ellis Hospital
Erie County Med Ctr
Good Sam - Suffern
Lenox Hill Hospital
LIJ Medical Center
M I Bassett Hospital
Maimonides Medical Ctr *
Mercy Hospital
Millard Fillmore Hosp
Montefiore - Moses
Montefiore - Weiler
Mount Sinai Hospital
NY Hospital - Queens
NY Methodist Hospital
NYP- Columbia Presby.
NYP- Weill Cornell **
NYU Hospitals Center *
North Shore Univ Hosp **
Rochester General Hosp
SVMC- St. Vincents
St. Elizabeth Med Ctr *
St. Francis Hospital **
St. Josephs Hospital
St. Lukes at St. Lukes
St. Peters Hospital **
Staten Island Univ Hosp
Strong Memorial Hosp *
United Hlth Svcs-Wilson*
Univ. Hosp-Brooklyn
Univ. Hosp-SUNY Upstate
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Vassar Bros. Med Ctr **
Westchester Med Ctr
Winthrop Univ. Hosp

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Potential margin of statistical error

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**2006 – 2008 HOSPITAL AND SURGEON OUTCOMES**

Table 5 provides the number of Isolated CABG operations, number of CABG patients who died in the hospital or after discharge but within 30 days of surgery, OMR, EMR, RAMR and the 95 percent confidence interval for the RAMR for isolated CABG patients in 2006-2008. In addition, the final two columns provide the number of Isolated CABG, Valve and Valve/CABG procedures and the RAMR for these patients in 2006-2008 for each of the 40 hospitals performing these operations during the time period. Surgeons and hospitals with RAMRs that are significantly lower or higher than the statewide mortality rate (as judged by the 95 percent confidence interval) are also noted.

The hospital information is presented for each surgeon who met at least one of the following criteria: (a) performed 200 or more cardiac operations during 2006-2008, (b) performed at least one cardiac operation in each of the years, 2006-2008. A cardiac operation is defined as any reportable adult cardiac operation and may include cases not listed in Tables 5 or 6.

The results for surgeons not meeting either of the above criteria are grouped together and reported as “All Others” in the hospital in which the operations were performed. Surgeons who met the above criteria and who performed operations in more than one hospital during 2006-2008 are noted in Table 5 and listed under all hospitals in which they performed these operations.

Also, surgeons who met either criterion (a) or (b) above and have performed Isolated CABG, Valve or Valve/CABG operations in two or more NYS hospitals are listed separately in Table 6. This table contains the same information as Table 5 across all hospitals in which the surgeon performed operations.

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**Table 5: In-Hospital/30-Day Observed, Expected and Risk-Adjusted Mortality Rates by Surgeon for Isolated CABG and Valve Surgery (done in combination with or without CABG) in New York State, 2006 - 2008 Discharges**

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* RAMR significantly higher than statewide rate based on 95 percent confidence interval.

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Table 7 presents, for each hospital and for each surgeon performing at least 200 cardiac operations in any hospital in 2006 – 2008 and/or performing one or more cardiac operations in each of the years 2006 – 2008, the total number of Isolated CABG operations, the total number of Valve or Valve/CABG operations, the total number of Other Cardiac operations and Total Cardiac operations. As in Table 5, results for surgeons not meeting the above criteria are grouped together in an “All Others” category.

The Isolated CABG column includes patients who undergo bypass of one or more of the coronary arteries with no other major heart surgery earlier in the same admission. Valve or Valve/CABG volumes include the total number of cases for the eight Valve or Valve/CABG groups that were identified in Table 4. Other Cardiac Surgery refers to cardiac procedures not represented by Isolated CABG, and Valve or Valve/CABG operations and includes, but is not limited to: repairs of congenital conditions, heart transplants, aneurysm repairs, ventricular reconstruction and ventricular assist device insertions. Total Cardiac Surgery is the sum of the previous three columns and includes any procedure to the heart or great vessels.

### Table 7: Surgeon and Hospital Volume for Isolated CABG, Valve or Valve/CABG, Other Cardiac Surgery and Total Adult Cardiac Surgery, 2006-2008

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Criteria Used in Reporting Significant Risk Factors (2008)
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angioplasty - Also known as percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty (PTCA) or percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI). In this procedure, a balloon catheter is threaded up to the site of blockage in an artery in the heart, and is then inflated to push arterial plaque against the wall of the artery to create a wider channel in the artery. Other procedures or devices are frequently used in conjunction with, or in place of, the balloon catheter. In particular, stents are used for most patients and devices such as rotoblaters and ultrasound are sometimes used.

arteriosclerosis - Also called atherosclerotic coronary artery disease or coronary artery disease, the group of diseases characterized by thickening and loss of elasticity of the arterial walls, popularly called “hardening of the arteries.”

atherosclerosis - One form of arteriosclerosis in which plaques or fatty deposits form in the inner layer of the arteries.

coronary artery bypass graft surgery (CABG) - A procedure in which a vein or artery from another part of the body is used to create an alternate path for blood to flow to the heart muscle, bypassing the arterial blockage. Typically, a section of one of the large saphenous veins in the leg, the radial artery in the arm or the mammary artery in the chest is used to construct the bypass. One or more bypasses may be performed during a single operation. When no other major heart surgery (such as valve replacement) is included, the operation is referred to as an isolated CABG.

The average number of bypass grafts created during CABG is three or four. Generally, all significantly blocked arteries are bypassed unless they enter areas of the heart that are permanently damaged by previous heart attacks. Five or more bypasses are occasionally created. Multiple bypasses are often performed to provide several alternate routes for the blood flow and to improve the long-term success of the procedure, not necessarily because the patient’s condition is more severe.

cardiac catheterization - Also known as coronary angiography, a procedure for diagnosing the condition of the heart and the arteries connecting to it. A thin tube threaded through an artery to the heart releases a dye, which allows doctors to observe blockages with an X-ray camera. This procedure is generally required before coronary bypass surgery.

cardiovascular disease - Disease of the heart and blood vessels, the most common form is coronary artery disease.
Appendix 1. 2006-2008 Risk Factors For Isolated CABG In-Hospital/30-Day Mortality

The significant pre-procedural risk factors for in-hospital/30-day mortality following isolated CABG in the 2006-2008 time period are presented in the table that follows.

Roughly speaking, the odds ratio for a risk factor represents the number of times a patient with that risk factor is more likely to die in the hospital during or after CABG or after discharge but within 30 days of the operation than a patient without the risk factor, all other risk factors being the same. For example, the odds ratio for the risk factor COPD is 1.573. This means that a patient with COPD is approximately 1.573 times as likely to die in the hospital during or after undergoing CABG or after discharge but within 30 days as a patient without COPD who has the same other significant risk factors.

For all risk factors in the table except Age, Body Surface Area, Ejection Fraction, Previous MI and Renal Failure, there are only two possibilities – having the risk factor and not having it. For example, a patient either has COPD or does not have it. Since Renal Failure is expressed in terms of Renal Failure with dialysis and without dialysis, the odds ratios are relative to patients with no dialysis prior to surgery and no pre-operative creatinine greater than 1.3 mg/dL.

Previous MI is subdivided into four groups: occurring less than six hours prior to surgery; occurring six to twenty-three hours prior to surgery; occurring one to seven days prior to surgery; and no MI within seven days prior to the procedure. The last range is referred to as the reference category. The odds ratios for the Previous MI ranges listed above are relative to patients who have not had a previous MI within seven days prior to the procedure.

Ejection Fraction, which is the percentage of blood in the heart’s left ventricle that is expelled when it contracts (with more denoting a healthier heart), is subdivided into four ranges (less than 20 percent, 20-29 percent, 30-39 percent and 40 percent or more). The last range is referred to as the reference category. This means that the odds ratios that appear for the other Ejection Fraction categories in the table are relative to patients with an ejection fraction of 40 percent or more. Thus, a patient with an ejection fraction less than 20 percent is about 3.036 times as likely to die in the hospital or after discharge but within 30 days as a patient with an ejection fraction of 40 percent or higher, all other significant risk factors being the same.

With regard to age, the odds ratio roughly represents the number of times a patient who is over age 55 is more likely to die in the hospital than another patient who is one year younger, all other significant risk factors being the same. Thus, the chance of in-hospital/30-day mortality for a patient undergoing CABG surgery who is 56 years old is approximately 1.054 times that of a 55 year-old patient undergoing CABG, all other risk factors being the same. All patients age 55 or under have roughly the same odds of dying in the hospital or after discharge but within 30 days if their risk factors are identical.

Body surface area (BSA) is a function of height and weight and is a proxy for vessel size. Since larger vessels are easier to work with, larger BSA is associated with decreased likelihood of mortality. This model includes terms for both BSA and BSA², reflecting the fact that for these patients, the lowest and highest body surface areas were related to higher mortality, all other risk factors remaining the same.
### Appendix 1: Multivariable Risk Factor Equation for Isolated CABG In-Hospital / 30-Day Deaths in New York State in 2006-2008

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Appendix 2. 2006-2008 Risk Factors For Valve Surgery
In-Hospital/30-Day Mortality

The significant pre-procedural risk factors for in-hospital/30-day mortality following valve surgery in the 2006-2008 time period are presented in the table that follows.

Roughly speaking, the odds ratio for a risk factor represents the number of times a patient with that risk factor is more likely to die in the hospital during or after valve surgery or after discharge but within 30 days than a patient without the risk factor, all other risk factors being the same. For example, the odds ratio for the risk factor COPD is 1.356. This means that a patient with COPD is approximately 1.356 times as likely to die in the hospital during or after undergoing valve surgery or after discharge but within 30 days as a patient without COPD who has the same other significant risk factors.

The odds ratio for type of valve surgery represents the number of times a patient with a specific valve surgery is more likely to die in the hospital during or after that particular surgery or after discharge but within 30 days than a patient who has had aortic valve replacement surgery, all other risk factors being the same. For example, a patient who has a mitral valve replacement surgery is 1.588 times as likely to die in the hospital during or after surgery or after discharge but within 30 days as a patient with aortic valve replacement surgery, all other significant risk factors being the same.

Left Main Disease refers to patients with a blockage of at least 50 percent in their Left Main Coronary Artery. This group is compared to patients who do not have a blockage of at least 50 percent in their Left Main Coronary Artery.

For all other risk factors in the table except Age, Body Surface Area and Renal Failure there are only two possibilities – having the risk factor and not having it. For example, a patient either has COPD or does not have it. Age and Renal Failure are interpreted in the same way as previously described. Body surface area was found to be inversely related to mortality, meaning that as body surface increased, mortality was found to decrease, all other factors remaining the same.
# Appendix 2: Multivariable Risk Factor Equation for Valve Surgery In-Hospital / 30-Day Deaths In NYS, 2006-2008

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Appendix 3. 2006-2008 Risk Factors For Valve and CABG Surgery
In-Hospital/30-Day Mortality

The significant pre-procedural risk factors for in-hospital/30-day mortality following valve and CABG surgery in the 2006-2008 time period are presented in the table that follows.

Roughly speaking, the odds ratio for a risk factor represents the number of times a patient with that risk factor is more likely to die in the hospital during or after valve and CABG surgery or after discharge but within 30 days than a patient without the risk factor, all other risk factors being the same. For example, the odds ratio for the risk factor COPD is 1.292. This means that a patient with COPD is approximately 1.292 times as likely to die in the hospital during or after undergoing valve and CABG surgery or after discharge but within 30 days as a patient without COPD who has the same other significant risk factors. Female Gender, Unstable, Endocarditis, Extensive Aortic Atherosclerosis, Peripheral Vascular Disease, Previous PCI Before this Admission and Previous Open Heart Operations are also interpreted in this way. The interpretation for Ejection Fraction, Body Surface Area, Previous MI and Renal Failure is similar to that described in Appendix 1.

The odds ratio for Type of Valve with CABG surgery represents the number of times a patient with a specific Valve with CABG surgery is more likely to die in the hospital during or after that particular surgery or after discharge but within 30 days than a patient who has had aortic valve repair or replacement and CABG surgery, all other risk factors being the same. For example, a patient who has a mitral valve replacement and CABG surgery is 1.649 times as likely to die in the hospital during or after surgery as a patient with aortic valve repair or replacement and CABG surgery, all other significant risk factors being the same.

The interpretation for Age is similar to that described in Appendix 1. In this case, the odds ratio for age roughly represents the number of times a patient who is over age 70 is more likely to die in the hospital or after discharge but within 30 days than another patient who is one year younger with all the other significant risk factors the same.
## Appendix 3: Multivariable Risk Factor Equation for Valve and CABG Surgery In-Hospital/30-Day Deaths in NYS, 2006-2008

### Logistic Regression

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