



TO: Arkansas Heart Attack Registry (AHAR) Participating Hospitals
SUBJECT: ASR Program Summary: July 2022 – June 2023 Program Year

Thank you for participation in the Arkansas Heart Attack Registry (AHAR) and being part of our team to reduce the impact of heart attack across the state!

Contacts

There are three organizations working together to support the AHAR: Arkansas Department of Health (ADH), The American Heart Association (AHA), and The American College of Cardiology (ACC). The American Heart Association (Get With The Guidelines®-Coronary Artery Disease registry) supports our non-PCI capable hospitals and The American College of Cardiology (Chest Pain-Myocardial Infarction registry) supports our PCI capable hospitals.

- **ADH** provides quality improvement (QI) support to maximize adherence to the performance measures captured in the registry. The primary ADH contact is Whitney Ochoa, BSN, RN. Whitney is the Arkansas STEMI Nurse Coordinator, and her contact information is as follows: Whitney.Ochoa@arkansas.gov and phone number is (501) 614-5376. The secondary ADH contact is David Vrudny, MPH, CPHQ. David is the Arkansas Section Chief for the Stroke/STEMI team, and his contact information is as follows: David.Vrudny@arkansas.gov and phone number is (501) 661-2096.
- **AHA** provides consultative services and support for all non-PCI participants of GWTG-CAD registry. If you have questions regarding GWTG-CAD, please reach out to primary contact, Kristen Waller, RN at Kristen.Waller@heart.org. If you are considered a federally designated critical access hospital with 25 or fewer beds, please reach out to the primary contact, Lori Denne at Lori.Denne@heart.org. To request new users access or reset passwords, contact Kristen, Lori or GWTGSupport@heart.org.
- **Quintiles/IQVIA** is the software company which provides technical software support for The American Heart Association's GWTG-CAD registry. Quintiles/IQVIA customer support may be reached by calling 888-526-6700 or through email at InfosarioOutcomeSupport@quintiles.com
- **ACC** provides consultative services and support for PCI participants of the Chest Pain-MI Registry. If you have questions regarding the Chest Pain-MI Registry, please reach out to primary contact, Jaime O'Connor at joc Connor@acc.org.

Program Guidelines

- Data Entry as of 2022:
 - **GWTG-CAD**: Abstract, enter and save 100% of STEMI patient records as complete within 90 days of patient discharge. Entry of NSTEMI cases is encouraged at this time but not required.
 - **Chest Pain-MI**: Abstract, enter and save 100% of NSTEMI and STEMI patient records according to the deadlines specified by ACC.
- As requested by the Arkansas Department of Health, the hospital will participate in Arkansas Heart Attack Registry program reviews scheduled by the AR Department of Health. Currently, all PCI-capable hospitals are receiving an annual program review and ADH will be extending those reviews to all non-PCI hospitals as well. We highly encourage the hospital to invite the following individuals to this meeting: STEMI Coordinator/Chest Pain Coordinator, Chief Nursing Officer, ED Director, ED physicians, cardiologists, cath lab director/manager, and any local EMS representatives.

Key Upcoming Enrollment Dates

- **May 1, 2022** – Due date to complete participation survey to enable ADH to pay your current ACC Chest Pain MI license fee.
- **October 1, 2022** – Due date to complete participation survey to enable ADH to pay your current AHA GWTG-CAD fee.

Current Heart Attack Resources

- The following ADH web link provides resources including the AR STEMI best practices manual, information on Acute Coronary Syndrome classes and community education:
<https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/stemi-advisory-council-stac>

Performance Awards

Please contact The American Heart Association (AHA) and The American College of Cardiology (ACC) point of contact for details on criteria for how your hospital may receive an award based on adherence to registry performance measures.