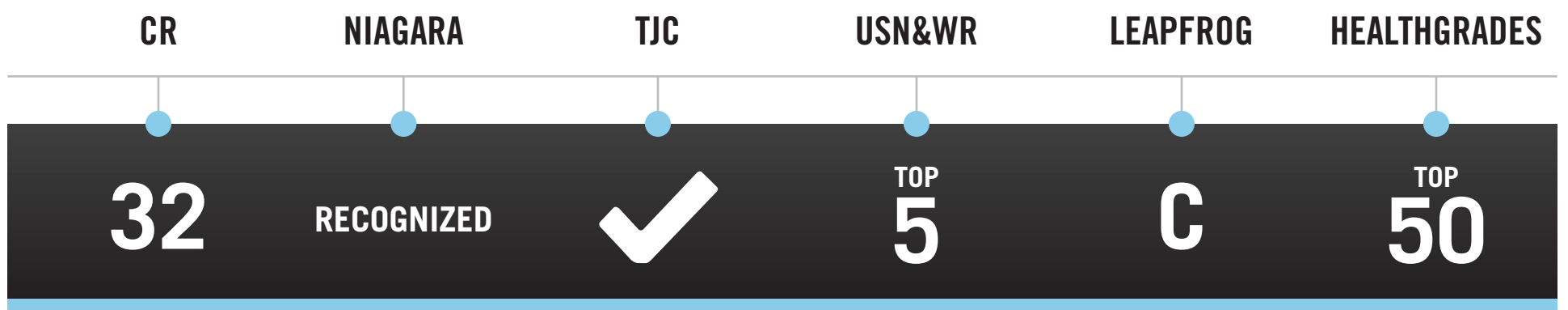


REPORT ON REPORT CARDS ARE YOU CONFUSED YET?

Different hospital report cards use different scoring methodologies, with varied results...

HOSPITAL A SCORES *(actual scores)*

Report Card Scores:



...and these confusing results affect more than just one facility.

HOSPITAL B SCORES



HOSPITAL C SCORES



HOSPITAL D SCORES



HOSPITAL E SCORES



HOSPITAL F SCORES



HOSPITAL G SCORES



HOSPITAL H SCORES



Scores shown are actual ratings received by a sampling of New York State hospitals.

Report Card Sources Defined:

HANYS selected measures that represent an overall evaluation of hospital quality and/or performance. Details for each measure are provided below.

Consumer Reports Hospital Safety Ratings: The safety score combines several categories of hospital safety into a single score between 1 and 100.

Niagara Health Quality Coalition New York State Hospital Report Card: This report card develops an America's Safest Hospital list for New York State.

The Joint Commission Quality Check: A hospital earns a star if it achieves the best possible results on the National Safety Goals; a plus if its performance is above the target range/value; a check if its performance is similar to the target/range value; a minus if its performance is below the target range/value; or an "ND" if the hospital's rating is not displayed.

U.S. News and World Report Best Hospitals: Hospitals are ranked in 16 specialties according to survival, patient safety, reputation, and other care-related indicators. Hospitals are ranked by city, regionally, and nationally.

Leapfrog Group Hospital Safety Score: Hospitals are awarded a letter grade of A-F based on measures of process, structure, and outcome.

Healthgrades names an annual list of America's 50 Best Hospitals based on clinical outcomes across a broad spectrum of conditions and procedures. Approximately 1% of hospitals are given this distinction based on their performance over a period of at least seven consecutive years.

