



The Joint Commission®



American Heart Association®
American Stroke Association®

CERTIFICATION
Meets standards for
Comprehensive Stroke Center

Level I Comprehensive Stroke Center *FACT SHEET*

The DHR Health Comprehensive Stroke Center consists of an interdisciplinary team dedicated to providing high quality and standardized evidence-based care as per the American Stroke Association guidelines.

Comprehensive Stroke Center Certification recognizes hospitals that have the state-of-the-art infrastructure, staff and training to receive and treat the most complex strokes. DHR Health has undergone rigorous surveys in which experts reviewed the hospital’s compliance with stringent standards and requirements, including 24/7 advanced imaging capabilities, around-the-clock availability of specialized treatments, and staff with the unique education and competencies that support the highest level of outcomes for complex stroke patients.

2024 STROKE PROGRAM QUALITY

- DHR Health Median Door to thrombolytic is 28 minutes vs nationwide median of 40 minutes
- 0% of patients had a symptomatic hemorrhage after thrombolytic vs 6% nationwide
- 22% of DHR stroke patients are discharged to inpatient rehabilitation vs 15% nationally*
- Carotid Endarterectomy and carotid stenting patient mortality or stroke is below the national average.
- 2024 Recipient of Get with the Guidelines Stroke Gold Plus Award
- 2024 Achieved highest level award: Target Stroke Honor Roll Elite Plus Award

PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- DHR became the First Joint Commission Comprehensive Stroke Center in the region and the first Level I Comprehensive Stroke Center in Hidalgo County.
- The past 6 years DHR Health has achieved the Gold Plus Award from the American Heart Association for meeting evidence based measures that lead to better patient outcomes.
- DHR Health is part of the NIH Strokenet and Lone Star Stroke Consortium to bring access to the region for stroke research trials.



*Data from Get with the Guidelines American Stroke Registry 2024