



2023 AzHHA Quality Award winners

In 2023, awards were presented for Top Overall Excellence, Community Engagement, Patient Safety and Quality, and Emergency Management Innovation.

Congratulations to our 2023 award winners:

Top Overall Excellence Award (recognizing the highest achievement among the top winner from each category): Southern Arizona VA Health Care System for their submission titled “COVID Operational Status Process.”

Community Engagement Award

- Top critical access hospital/rural hospital (less than or equal to 100 beds): Gila River Health Care for their submission titled “Critical Access to Health Care.”
- Top general acute care (greater or equal to 101 beds): Yuma Regional Medical Center for their submission titled “Keeping Patient-Centered Care in the Community.”
- Top federal hospital: Southern Arizona VA Health Care System for their submission titled “Native American Advocacy.”

Patient Safety and Quality Award

- Top critical access hospital/rural hospital (less than or equal to 100 beds): Cornerstone Specialty Hospital Southeast Arizona for their submission titled “Acute Transfer Out Process.”
- Top general acute care (greater or equal to 101 beds): Mayo Clinic Arizona for their submission titled “Stroke Door to Needle Times: Improvement and Sustainability.”
- Top federal hospital: Phoenix VA Health Care System for their submission titled “A Multifaceted Approach to CAUTI Reduction.”

Emergency Management Innovation Award

- Top critical access hospital/rural hospital (less than or equal to 100 beds): Northern Cochise Community Hospital (partner of Tucson Medical Center Health System) for their submission titled “Rural Hospital Emergency Management.”
- Top general acute care (greater or equal to 101 beds): Summit Healthcare for their submission titled “Implementing Peer Support Specialists into the ED.”
- Top federal hospital: Southern Arizona VA Health Care System for their submission titled “COVID Operational Status Process.”

[View pictures from the 2023 AzHHA Quality Awards Luncheon.](#)