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<u>Health Care Component</u>: Inpatient Quality of Care <u>Inpatient Quality of Care Score and Rank</u>: 2008 – 49.5 (39)

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Inpatient Quality of Care is a new measure in 2008. The composite score is based on two measures of appropriateness of care provided to hospitalized patients. The first was: no pneumococcal vaccine, indicating those individuals age 65 and older who were screened for the vaccine but not given it prior to hospital discharge. The second measure was: inadequate instructions given for heart failure before being discharged to home.

Waupaca County's rank for this component places it in the lower middle quartile. The Waupaca County Department of Health and Human Services does not offer pneumococcal vaccine through its Immunization Program. The county also no longer has a home care program so no work is done arranging for discharge of patients from the hospital or providing care once they go home.