




# Mid-Valley Hospital

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**Re:** PHC4 Hospital Performance Report

## **Mid Valley Hospital's Comments Regarding the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council's (PHC4) Recent Hospital Performance Report**

Regarding the Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council's (PHC4) recently published **Hospital Performance Report** on common medical procedures and treatments performed through September 30, 2009, Mid Valley Hospital received a mortality rating higher than expected in the chest pain category. We had a total of 12 patients in this category. Of these patients, one expired within a day of admission which gave Mid Valley Hospital a significantly higher than expected rating. This was an 84 year old patient who was admitted to a monitored bed with chest pain and multiple other symptoms. The EKG was unremarkable as well as cardiac lab values that were within normal limits. Prior to this visit, the patient had not sought any medical care for quite some time and had chest pain prior to arrival for an undetermined amount of days. During the process of the patient receiving a diagnostic workup and treatment for chest pain, the patient had an episode of unresponsiveness and expired prior to completion of finding the etiology of the chest pain. Mid Valley Hospital investigates and reviews all mortality cases to ensure that patients receive appropriate care and all procedures are followed, as was done in this case.

Mid Valley Hospital strives to provide quality care to all patients. As part of this endeavor, we welcome the PHC4 data as another tool in our efforts to continually examine and improve the quality of care we deliver.

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