Rural Acute Stroke Composite Score
Criteria: At least 75% Compliance

- **GOLD**
  - Four or more consecutive quarters and ≥2 stroke or TIA records annually

- **SILVER**
  - Four consecutive quarters and ≥2 stroke or TIA records annually

- **BRONZE**
  - One calendar quarter and ≥1 stroke or TIA record per quarter

**Eligible Hospitals**
- Federally Designated Critical Access Hospitals
- Short Term Acute Care Facility and Rural Hospital located within Rural Urban Commuting Area Codes (RUCA) indicating large rural, small rural and isolated geographic locations

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- **Time to Intravenous Thrombolytic Therapy ≤ 60 minutes**
- **Door-In/Door-Out Time at First Hospital Prior to Transfer for Acute Therapy ≤ 90 Minutes**
- **National Institutes of Health Stroke Scale (NIHSS) Reported**
- **Door to CT ≤ 25 Minutes**
- **Dysphagia Screen**
- **Documentation of Last Known Well or Time of Discovery of Stroke Symptoms**
- **IV Thrombolytic Therapy Arrive by 3.5 Hours Treat by 4.5 Hours**
- **EMS Pre-notification**
- **Non-Contrast Brain CT or MRI Interpreted Within 45 Minutes of Arrival**
- **Telestroke Consultation Done**

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