Rising Star
Recognizing and celebrating significant improvement in quality of care

Performance improvement in quality and accountability

The Rising Star award recognizes comprehensive academic medical centers that made significant improvement measured by a rise in at least 20 positions from the prior year and scored in the top 25 in the annual Vizient Quality and Accountability ranking, which identifies exemplary performance across six domains.

Six domains
Quality Leadership Performance of patient care is measured in six domains:

- Mortality
- Efficiency
- Effectiveness
- Patient centeredness
- Safety
- Equity of care

Composite scoring
The ranking’s composite scoring system uses patient-level performance data from a variety of sources including:

- Vizient Clinical Data Base
- Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (HCAHPS) survey, and
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s National Healthcare Safety Network

Cohort criteria
Performs a minimum of:
- 25 solid organ transplants
- 600 trauma cases or 1,500 acute transfers in from another acute care facility
- 125 combined cardiothoracic and neurosurgery cases