

The Joint Commission's Most Commonly Identified "Not Compliant" Issues

The Joint Commission issues standards that are the basis for an objective evaluation process that can help providers measure, assess, and improve their performance. They help set expectations for organizational performance that is reasonable, achievable, and surveyable.

Although fewer surveys were conduct in 2020 because of COVID-19, the Joint Commission still identified Requirements for Improvement in key areas. Their released listing of the top requirements that are most frequently "not compliant" during surveys and reviews in nursing homes are highlighted below.

RANK	STANDARD	ELEMENT OF PERFORMANCE
1	HR.02.01.04: The organization permits licensed independent practitioners to provide care, treatment, and services.	EP 5
2	IC.02.01.01: The organization implements its infection prevention and control plan.	EP 1
3	EC.02.02.01: The organization manages risks related to hazardous materials and waste.	EP 5
4	HR.02.01.04: The organization permits licensed independent practitioners to provide care, treatment, and services.	EP 1
5	MM.03.01.01: The organization safely stores medications.	EP 7
5	PC.01.03.01: The organization plans the patient's or resident's care.	EP 1
5	WT.04.01.01: The organization performs quality control checks for waived testing on each procedure.	EP 4

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