

An HCA Affiliated Hospital

The Woman's Hospital of Texas is one of the region's leading providers of obstetrical care as evidenced by the 11,226 babies that were delivered in 2016. As a tertiary care center, our staff of Obstetricians and High Risk Maternal Fetal Medicine physicians provide services to an outreach area of 150-mile radius from our hospital location at 7600 Fannin in Houston. This often results in patients with complex issues and the need for high-risk care that may result in a C-section to ensure a safe outcome for the mother and the baby. Whether delivery is by C-section or a vaginal birth, the decision is based on informed consent between the patient and physician.

Although the data presented in this report reflects the total c-section rate that includes those patients that experienced a previous c-section, indicating the increased likelihood of subsequent c-section deliveries, it should be noted that the Primary C-section rate for The Woman's Hospital of Texas is 24.6%.

As part of our ongoing performance improvement activities, C-sections are reviewed to ensure medical necessity and quality outcomes. The goal for every birth that occurs in our facility is to provide an excellent outcome for the mother and baby. We are proud of the care that is provided to the women, infants and children that we serve. We continue to partner in initiatives that result in improved care such as the March of Dimes, CMS and Joint Commission. We are proud that we have been a leader in reducing elective early term deliveries and developed other protocols and processes that reduce harm and increase safe and effective care for our patients.