

SEQIP

KENTUCKY STROKE ENCOUNTER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (SEQIP)



Stroke Encounter Quality Improvement Project (SEQIP) Mission/Background

The mission of SEQIP is to advance acute stroke care management and reduce stroke disparities in Kentucky by:

- Establishing a network of professionals that will encourage and support collaboration among stroke care providers in Kentucky.
- Providing opportunities to share information and resources related to stroke program development and proficiency across the continuum of care in Kentucky.
- Promoting quality, improving outcomes and standardization of acute stroke care through collegiality and use of evidence-based practice guidelines.
- Collaborating on stroke related research throughout Kentucky.

SEQIP was created in 2009 as a statewide voluntary stroke quality improvement initiative of the Kentucky Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Task Force - Cardiovascular Health (CVH) Delivery Systems Subcommittee and the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association (AHA/ASA). SEQIP initiated a voluntary participation in a stroke registry for hospitals, the first in Kentucky. SEQIP has grown from 16 hospitals in 2009 to 39 hospitals in 2020.

In 2012, Kentucky Statue KRS 211.575 became law and requires all certified stroke centers to report to the registry each case of stroke seen at their facility. Then annually, the Kentucky Department for Public Health provides a report of SEQIPs data and any related findings and recommendations to the Governor and to the Legislative Research Commission.

Since its inception, SEQIP has grown to include representatives from all certified stroke centers in the state, as well as hospitals seeking certification and other individuals and organizations with an interest in improving stroke care. Participation in SEQIP is voluntary and open to all hospitals and stakeholders in Kentucky and surrounding areas. Membership does not require registry participation.

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