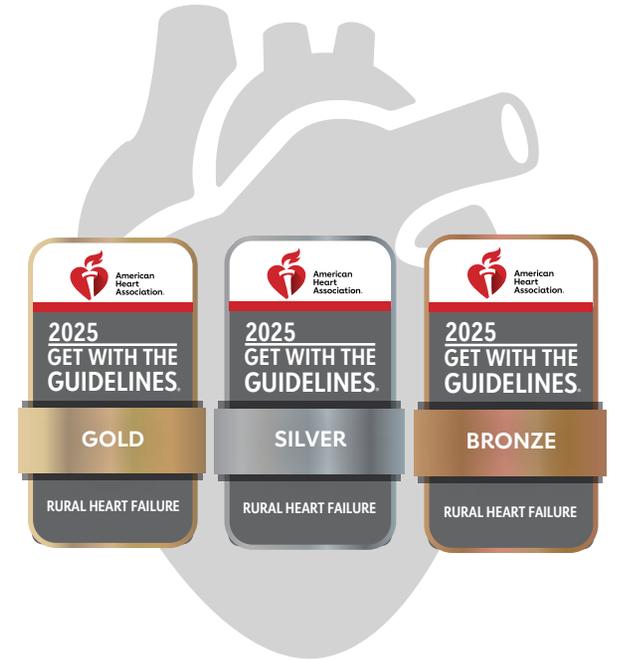




**2026**  
**HOSPITAL RECOGNITION CRITERIA**  
*(based on 2025 data)*

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 Heart Failure

**Heart Failure Rural Composite Score Measure Achievement Goal: At least 60% Compliance**



Eight or more consecutive quarters and  $\geq 2$  HF records annually

Evidence-Based Beta Blocker Prescribed at Discharge (AHAHF2)



Four consecutive quarters and  $\geq 2$  HF records annually

Left Ventricular Function Assessed (AHAHF3)



One calendar quarter and  $\geq 1$  HF record per quarter

Post-Discharge Appointment for Heart Failure Patients (AHAHF4)

Angiotensin Receptor Neprilysin Inhibitor (ARNi) at Discharge (AHAHF6)

SGLT-2 Inhibitor at Discharge for Patients with HFrEF (LVEF  $\leq 40\%$ ) (AHAHF93)

Mineralocorticoid Receptor Antagonist (MRA) at Discharge for Patients with HFrEF (LVEF  $\leq 40\%$ ) (AHAHF110)



**Eligible Hospitals**

Federally Designated Critical Access Hospitals or Short Term Acute Care Hospitals within Rural Urban Commuting Areas (RUCA) geographically classified as large rural, small rural or isolated.

