

# Heart Services

## Accreditations and Certifications

St. Mary's excellence in heart care is backed by accreditation and certification from a wide range of professional organizations including:



The American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation (AACVPR) is a multidisciplinary professional association whose mission is to reduce morbidity, mortality and disability from cardiovascular and pulmonary disease through education, prevention, rehabilitation, research and disease management.

St. Mary's program was the first in the Tri-State area to become certified by the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation (AACVPR) and remains the only certified pulmonary rehabilitation program in the area.



The Intersocietal Accreditation Commission programs are dedicated to ensuring quality patient care and promoting health care within a specific medical specialty, all dedicated to one common mission.

St. Mary's Echocardiography Lab is nationally accredited by the Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Echocardiography.

St. Mary's Vascular Lab is nationally accredited by the Intersocietal Commission for the Accreditation of Vascular Laboratories.



American Heart Association  
American Stroke Association  
**CERTIFICATION**  
Meets standards for  
Primary Stroke Center

The Certificate of Distinction for Primary Stroke Centers recognizes centers that follow the best practices for stroke care. Applicants for advanced certification must meet the requirements for Disease-Specific Care Certification plus additional, clinically specific requirements and expectations.

St. Mary's was awarded an Advanced Certification as a Primary Stroke Center in 2014.



The Magnet Recognition Program is a recognition program operated by the American Nurses Credentialing Center that allows nurses to recognize nursing excellence in other nurses. Only the top 6% of hospitals in the country have received this recognition.

In 2011, St. Mary's was the first facility in the area to achieve Magnet Recognition.

