Heart Failure
This information shows how often Touchette Regional Hospital provided recommended treatment for patients with heart failure.

Heart Failure also called Congestive Heart Failure (CHF) occurs when the right or left side of the heart is unable to pump blood at a sufficient rate which results in fluid overload in the lungs or body.

Higher Percent is better	National 2010	Illinois 2010	TRH 2010	Dec 2010	Jan 2011	Feb 2011	Mar 2011	Apr 2011	May 2011	Jun 2011	Jul 2011	Aug 2011	Sep 2011	Oct 2011	Nov 2011
Given discharge instructions why is it important? The staff at the hospital should provide you with information to help manage your heart failure symptoms when you are discharged. This includes: diet, weight monitoring, what to do if symptoms worsen, discharge medications, activity level and follow up appointment.	90%	91%	66%	62%	75%	82%	82%	92%	100%	100%	100%	91%	100%	100%	89%
Evaluation of left ventricular systolic function why is it important? This assessment, usually by an ultrasound of your heart, checks how the left chamber of the heart is pumping.	98%	99%	98%	100%	94%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
ACE Inhibitor or ARB for left ventricular systolic dysfunction why is it important? ACE Inhibitors & ARBs are medicines used to treat heart attacks, heart failure or a decreased function of the heart.	95%	95%	94%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Smoking Cessation advice	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

or counseling why is it important? Smoking is linked to heart failure. Quitting may help prevent complications including heart attacks.															