



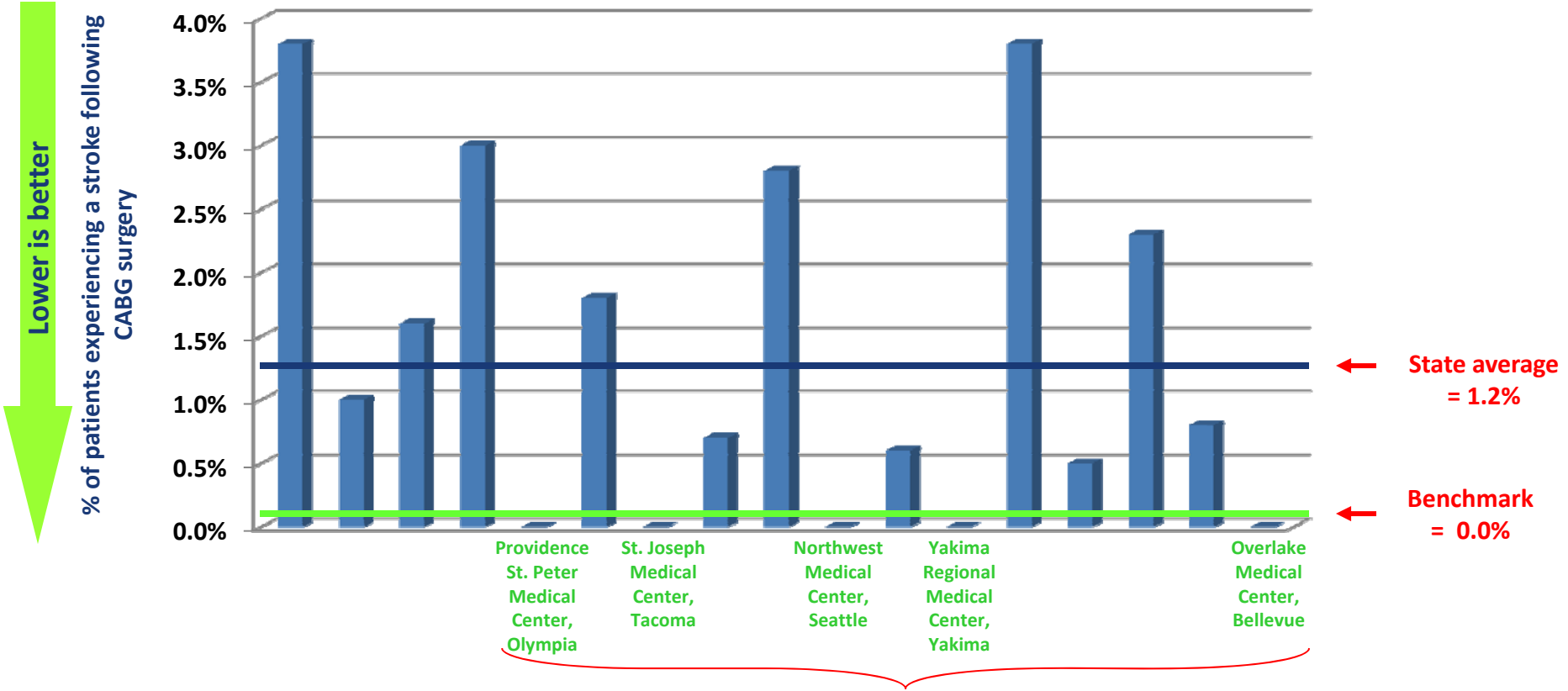
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Rate of Stroke After Cardiac Surgery – WA State “Average” vs “Benchmark”

→ One significant complication that can occur following coronary artery bypass graft (CABG) surgery is stroke. Results for this measure refer to the percentage of patients in Washington State that experience a stroke following CABG surgery. Overall this is a rare complication, with the average among hospitals in Washington State being 1.2% in 2010 and hospitals are continually working to keep the rate of this complication extremely low.

→ Individual hospital results for Washington State in 2010 range from a low of 0% of patients experiencing a stroke following their CABG surgery to a high of 3.8%. **Five hospitals in Washington have a significantly lower rate of stroke following CABG than the state average and as such have set what we call a “benchmark” for all hospitals to try to achieve. These top performing hospitals are highlighted on the following graph.**

Risk Adjusted Stroke Rate: Average vs. Benchmark (CABG Only)



These 5 hospitals are the top performing hospitals in the state for this particular measure