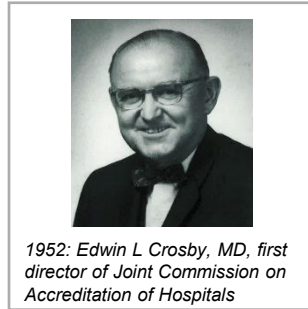


History of The Joint Commission



1950s

- The American College of Physicians, the American Hospital Association, the American Medical Association, and the Canadian Medical Association join with the American College of Surgeons as corporate members to create the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals, an independent, not-for-profit organization, in Chicago, Illinois

1960s

- The Social Security Amendments of 1965 include a provision that JCAH accredited hospitals are “deemed” in compliance with most Medicare Conditions of Participation

1980s

- Created Quality Healthcare Resources, Inc., a not-for-profit consulting subsidiary, that later becomes Joint Commission Resources
- Changed name to the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations

1990s

- Formed Joint Commission International to provide education and consulting to international clients
- Established Sentinel Event Policy
- Launched ORYX®: The Next Evolution in Accreditation

2000s

- Added Gold Seal of Approval® to accreditation certificates
- Shortened name to The Joint Commission

2020s

- Formed a strategic alliance with National Quality Forum to accelerate improvements in health for all people
- Formed a strategic alliance with the National Association for Healthcare Quality, to advance global healthcare quality and safety for all.
- Established Bernard J. Tyson Award for Excellence in Pursuit of Healthcare Equity with Kaiser Permanente