The Bernard A. Birnbaum, MD, Quality Leadership Award is given annually to comprehensive academic medical centers, large, specialized complex care medical centers, complex care medical centers and community-based medical centers that demonstrate superior performance, as measured by the Vizient Quality and Accountability Ranking program, which has been calculated annually since 2005.

The award was posthumously renamed in 2015 to honor Bernard "Bernie" Birnbaum, MD, who served as senior vice president, vice dean and chief of hospital operations for NYU Langone Medical Center and as a member of the former University HealthSystem Consortium’s board of directors.

**Recipients**

**Comprehensive Academic Medical Centers**
- Rush University Medical Center
- NYU Langone Health
- Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota
- University of Utah Health
- Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania
- UC San Diego Health
- Memorial Hermann – Texas Medical Center
- Stanford Medicine
- University of Texas Medical Branch
- Oregon Health and Science University
- Houston Methodist Hospital

**Large, Specialized Complex Care Medical Centers**
- Mayo Clinic Florida
- Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital
- Cleveland Clinic - Fairview Hospital
- Penn Presbyterian Medical Center
- Memorial Hermann The Woodlands Medical Center

**Complex Care Medical Centers**
- Penn Medicine Chester County Hospital
- Froedtert & the Medical College of Wisconsin Community Memorial Hospital
- Houston Methodist The Woodlands Hospital
- Excelsa Health Latrobe Hospital
- Houston Methodist Willowbrook Hospital
- Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital
- Beaumont Hospital, Grosse Pointe

**Community Hospitals**
- Cleveland Clinic Lutheran Hospital
- Mayo Clinic Health System in Red Wing
- American Fork Hospital
- Logan Regional Hospital
- OhioHealth Dublin Methodist Hospital
- Cedar City Hospital
- Progress West Hospital
Ambulatory Care Quality and Accountability Award

This award measures the quality of outpatient care in five domains: access to care, capacity and throughput, quality and efficiency, continuum of care, and equity. The composite scoring system uses practice and patient-level data from the Vizient-AAMC Clinical Practice Solutions Center, the Vizient Access Database, the Clinical Data Base, and core measures data.

Recipients

- NYU Langone Health
- University of Utah Health
- Stanford Medicine
- University of Colorado Medicine – UCHHealth University of Colorado Hospital
- University of Washington Medical Center