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Editors note: Research, new techniques and improved facilities by Philadelphia International Medicine hospitals and physicians may lead to new ways to treat some of our most challenging diseases. Below are just some examples from our hospitals.

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PHILADELPHIA— In the first rankings of hospitals in metropolitan areas by *U.S. News & World Report*, the Philadelphia International Medicine (PIM) network placed four hospitals in the top seven of adult hospitals, and one of the top two in children's hospitals. More than 90 hospitals in the tri-state Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware region were evaluated.

“The *U.S. News* rankings affirm that our international patients are receiving the very best medical care,” said Leonard Karp, president and CEO of Philadelphia International Medicine. “In addition to the rankings, international patients can find other data on outcomes on our hospitals' websites, via reports published online by the Pennsylvania Healthcare Cost Containment Council, Medicare, and other sources.”

Leading PIM hospitals in the rankings include Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, which ranked second and was noted for 8 nationally ranked specialty areas and an additional 6 high performing specialty areas. Medical services noted by *U.S. News* nationally for Jefferson were cancer, ear, nose and throat, gastroenterology, geriatrics, gynecology, orthopedics, pulmonology and rehabilitation. High performing specialties included endocrinology, heart and heart surgery, kidney disorders, neurology and neurosurgery, rheumatology and urology.

Temple University Hospital was ranked fourth with a national ranking in pulmonology and 11 other high performing specialty areas, including cancer, ear, nose and throat, endocrinology, gastroenterology, geriatrics, gynecology, kidney disorders, neurology and neurosurgery, orthopedics, rehabilitation and urology.

Fox Chase Cancer Center, as a National Comprehensive Cancer Institute designated hospital, was listed as a nationally ranked cancer hospital and among the top in the region and the nation.

Wills Eye Institute, ranked third nationally by *U.S. News*, is a specialty hospital for treatment of diseases of the eye, was also ranked as a top regional ophthalmology center.

Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children was the second ranked pediatric hospital in the three-state region. DuPont was ranked nationally in gastroenterology, orthopedics and urology.

“For the international patient seeking good outcomes, high patient satisfaction and concierge support services, the rankings are another indication that PIM hospitals and physicians are among the best in the world,” said Karp.

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