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PIM Hospitals Among Top American Hospitals in U.S. News & World Report Best Hospital Rankings

Philadelphia – The Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP) has been selected for the “Honor Roll” of the 10 best hospitals in America by *U.S. News & World Report* in its most recent “best hospitals” rankings. The publication placed HUP among the 10 best from more than 5,400 facilities surveyed. Earlier this year, The Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia was ranked as the top pediatric hospital by the same publication. Both HUP and The Children’s Hospital are founders of Philadelphia International Medicine (PIM).

In addition, four other Philadelphia International Medicine (PIM) hospitals also have been selected as best hospitals in specialty categories. They are: Fox Chase Cancer Center, Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Pennsylvania Hospital and Temple University Hospital. Fox Chase Cancer Center was ranked sixth in the northeastern United States in oncology and one of the top 15 in the nation. Wills Eye Hospital was ranked third in the nation on the list of eye hospitals. The Wills Eye inpatient program is part of Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. Temple University has been ranked one of America’s top hospitals for respiratory disorders and Pennsylvania Hospital was ranked among the best in the nation for orthopedics and urology.

“The hospitals and physicians that make up Philadelphia International Medicine continue to raise the standard for quality, personal medical care,” said Leonard Karp, president and CEO of PIM. “We are very proud of the *US News* rankings, but we are even more proud of the dedication to patients and outcomes that is at the core of our doctors and hospitals, everyday.”

“It is especially gratifying to note that the survey identifies HUP as among the best in the nation in 13 specialty areas,” said Ralph W. Muller, Chief Executive Officer of the University of Pennsylvania Health System. “We are pleased that this award recognizes our institution-wide commitment to the highest standards in patient care, as well as to biomedical research and medical education. Our hospital’s ability to focus on excellence while integrating these three goals into our daily operations helps makes us one of America’s best.”

Rankings of PIM hospitals selected by specialty area:

Cancer—The Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania (HUP) and Fox Chase Cancer Center were ranked among the top 5 in the northeastern United States, Thomas Jefferson University Hospital (TJUH) was also ranked among the best.

Ear, Nose and Throat—HUP was ranked number 4 in the Northeastern United States and in the top ten in the nation.

Endocrinology—HUP was ranked fourth in the Northeast and in the top 10 in the nation. Thomas Jefferson was also ranked among the best in the nation.

Gastrointestinal Disorders—HUP was ranked number four in the Northeast and among the ten best in the nation. Thomas Jefferson was also ranked among the best in the US.

Geriatrics—Thomas Jefferson University Hospital and HUP were ranked among the best in the US.

Gynecology—HUP was ranked number 4 in the Northeastern United States.

Heart and Heart Surgery—HUP ranked fifth in the Northeast.

Kidney Disease—HUP was ranked among the best in the United States.

Neurology and Neurosurgery—HUP was ranked among the best in the nation.

Orthopedics—TJUH was ranked among the top ten in the Northeastern United States and among the best in the nation. Pennsylvania and HUP were ranked among the best in the nation.

Ophthalmology—The Wills Eye Hospital at TJUH was ranked third in the nation.

Psychiatry—HUP was ranked among the best in the nation.

Rehabilitation—TJUH and HUP were both ranked among the best in the US.

Respiratory Disorders—Temple University was ranked among the best in the nation.

Urology—HUP and Pennsylvania Hospital have both been ranked among the best in the nation.

Rheumatology—HUP has been ranked among the best in the nation.

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