

## **U.S. News & World Report Rankings**

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To the UT Southwestern Community:

I am very pleased to inform you that in news released today by *U.S. News & World Report*, six UT Southwestern clinical programs – Urology, Geriatrics, Diabetes and Endocrinology, Neurology and Neurosurgery, Nephrology, and Ear, Nose, and Throat – have been nationally ranked, which means they are among the top 50 programs in the country in their specialty. In addition, four other UT Southwestern programs have been designated as High Performing – Cancer, Gastroenterology and GI Surgery, Orthopaedics, and Pulmonology.

As a result of these distinctions, UT Southwestern University Hospitals collectively have been ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as the **No. 1 Best Hospital in Dallas-Fort Worth** and the **No. 2 Best Hospital in Texas.** 

These rankings are a tribute to the outstanding dedication of UT Southwestern physicians, nurses, other clinicians, and the entire staff of our University Hospitals and Clinics in delivering high-quality care and creating an exceptional hospital experience for our patients and their families. In addition to the clinical expertise of our faculty, the professionalism of our nurses in achieving Magnet designation, our improved quality metrics, and our high patient satisfaction scores contributed significantly to these ranking results.

I hope that the entire UT Southwestern community shares my pride in the recognition our colleagues have received for their commitment to clinical excellence. At the same time, I know that rather than rankings, they are motivated to provide relief from suffering and the toll of disease, and to return to good health those who come to us for help.

On behalf of the UT Southwestern community and all of our patients, I thank and congratulate the physicians and staff of our University Hospitals and Clinics, as well as the leadership of our Health System, for their achievement.

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