



A decade of excellence: No. 1 in DFW for 10th year in a row

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To the UT Southwestern Community:

We are pleased to share that, for the 10th consecutive year, William P. Clements Jr. University Hospital has been named the [No. 1 hospital in Dallas-Fort Worth](#) by *U.S. News & World Report*. This decade of distinction is a testament to the teamwork, expertise, and commitment of our physicians, nurses, advanced practice providers, and other care team members and support staff who work daily to provide the very best care possible to our patients. It reflects a standard of excellence that extends across all aspects of our institution, from advancing discovery to educating and training future generations of physicians, other healthcare professionals, and scientists.

The 2026-27 Best Hospitals rankings are based on a review of more than 4,400 hospitals nationwide. UT Southwestern continues to lead the state in the number of nationally ranked specialties with 11 total.

Among our nationally ranked specialties, five are in the top 20, and 10 are in the top 30:

- No. 9: Neurology & Neurosurgery
- No. 13: Cardiology, Heart & Vascular Surgery
- No. 13 (tie): Geriatrics
- No. 13: Pulmonology & Lung Surgery
- No. 20: Gastroenterology & GI Surgery
- No. 21: Diabetes & Endocrinology
- No. 22: Cancer
- No. 25: Rehabilitation
- No. 26: Urology
- No. 30: Obstetrics & Gynecology
- No. 38: Orthopedics

UTSW also earned “High Performing” ratings – the highest designation – for almost all of the procedures and conditions evaluated, reflecting our breadth and consistency of care:

- Abdominal aortic aneurysm repair
- Aortic valve surgery
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Colon cancer surgery
- Diabetes
- Ear, nose & throat surgery
- Gynecological cancer surgery
- Heart arrhythmia
- Heart attack
- Heart failure
- Hip fracture

- Kidney failure
- Leukemia, lymphoma & myeloma
- Lung cancer surgery
- Pneumonia
- Prostate cancer surgery
- Stroke
- Transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR)

In Dallas-Fort Worth, our physicians also care for patients at other top-ranked hospitals through our clinical enterprise and partnerships.

The Southwestern Health Resources network – which aligns the strengths of UT Southwestern with those of Texas Health – has five of the 10 top-ranked hospitals in Dallas-Fort Worth. In addition to UT Southwestern at No. 1, Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas ranked No. 4, Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Southwest Fort Worth ranked No. 5, and Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Plano and Texas Health Huguley Hospital Fort Worth South tied at No. 7. The patient-centered, clinically integrated network of 31 hospital locations and more than 7,500 physicians and other providers cares for millions of individuals across 16 counties in North Texas.

Additionally, Children's Medical Center Dallas, where the UT Southwestern Pediatric Group practices, was rated among the nation's best pediatric hospitals by *U.S. News* for 2025-26. It was the only pediatric hospital in North Texas ranked in all 11 specialties and one of a select few in the nation to achieve such distinction. This year's rankings will be released in the fall.

We are grateful to the colleagues whose work makes each of these recognitions possible. Even as we acknowledge these honors, our focus remains where it has always been: educating the next generation, advancing medical science, and providing exceptional care and service to every patient who entrusts us with their health.

Thank you for all you do.

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