

## OSF HealthCare Children's Hospital of Illinois ranked among the best by U.S. News & World Report

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(June 15, 2021 | Peoria, Ill.) - <u>OSF HealthCare Children's Hospital of Illinois</u> has been recognized as a <u>Best Children's Hospital</u> for 2021-22 by U.S. News & World Report.

OSF HealthCare Children's Hospital of Illinois was recognized among the top three children's hospital in Illinois and among the top 25 in the Midwest region which includes Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

In addition, this is the second year in a row the <u>nephrology program</u>, led by Dr. Vimal Raj, has been nationally ranked.

The U.S. News Best Children's Hospitals rankings highlight the top 50 U.S. pediatric facilities in cancer, cardiology and heart surgery, diabetes and endocrinology, gastroenterology and GI surgery, neonatology, nephrology, neurology and neurosurgery, orthopedics, pulmonology and urology.

"OSF Children's Hospital of Illinois has a long standing commitment to excellent care for children. We are honored to be recognized nationally for the care our specialists and care teams give our patients every day," said Mike Wells, OSF Children's Hospital of Illinois president.

The Best Children's Hospitals <u>methodology</u> factors objective measures such as patient outcomes, including mortality and infection rates, as well as available clinical resources and compliance with best practices. RTI International, a North Carolina-based research and consulting firm, collected and analyzed data from 118 children's hospitals and surveyed thousands of pediatric specialists. More than 100 pediatric specialists and other experts provided input through methodology working groups.

This year's rankings will be published in the U.S. News & World Report's "Best Hospitals 2022" guidebook in October.

For more information, visit Best Children's Hospitals and use #BestHospitals on Facebook and Twitter.

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Located in Peoria, **OSF HealthCare Children's Hospital of Illinois** is the third largest pediatric hospital in Illinois and the only full service tertiary hospital for kids downstate. With 136 beds and more than 140 pediatric subspecialists, OSF Children's Hospital cares for more children in Illinois than any hospital outside of Chicago. Formally established as a pediatric hospital within the walls of OSF HealthCare Saint Francis Medical Center in 1990, OSF Children's Hospital of Illinois has more than 7,000 inpatient admissions, 45,000 outpatient specialty visits, 2,400 newborn deliveries, and 18,000 emergency department visits each year. Learn more at <a href="https://www.osfhealthcare.org/childrens/">https://www.osfhealthcare.org/childrens/</a>.