

June 21, 2016-Announcement: Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford named to U.S. News & World Report's 2016-17 Best Children's Hospitals Honor Roll

The only children's hospital in Northern California and one of just three on the West Coast to achieve the prestigious Honor Roll status For Release: June 21, 2016

STANFORD, Calif. -- In the U.S. News & World Report 2016-17 Best Children's Hospitals survey online today, Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford has again received top honors. The Bay Area's largest health care enterprise exclusively dedicated to children and expectant mothers earned Best Children's Hospital Honor Roll status, making it the top ranked children's hospital in Northern California. Eleven children's hospitals nationwide were recognized for exceptional performance in specialized, high-complexity patient care. To achieve the Honor Roll, hospitals must have at least three specialties that rank in the top ten percent.

Ranked US News Honor Roll

The U.S. News Best Children's Hospitals rankings help parents select the best medical care for their children. This year, 183 facilities participated in the survey, which ranks the top 50 centers in 10 specialties. Packard Children's achieved rankings in all ten pediatric specialties. Three of those specialty programs were ranked in the top 10 nationally: Cardiology & Heart Surgery at #5, Nephrology at #5 and Pulmonology at #7. The three programs rank highest in California and for cardiology and pulmonology, also best on the West Coast. Rankings rely on clinical data and on an annual survey of pediatric specialists. View the full results and methodology.

This is the 12th consecutive year Lucile Packard Children's Hospital has been recognized by U.S. News & World Report. The Silicon Valley-based hospital celebrates its 25th anniversary this June, making it the

youngest hospital to earn this year's Honor Roll distinction. On average, each of the other hospitals recognized on the Honor Roll have been open for well over 100 years.

"These outstanding rankings in our hospital's 25th anniversary are a testament to the extraordinary standard of care that our faculty, physicians and staff are known for," said Christopher G. Dawes, president and chief executive officer.

"This year's Honor Roll recognizes 11 pediatric centers for their commitment to top-quality care for kids in multiple specialties," said U.S. News Health Rankings Editor Avery Comarow.

Lloyd Minor, MD, dean of the Stanford University School of Medicine, said, "This distinct honor is a direct result of the hard work of our talented and compassionate providers for children and expectant mothers. We at Stanford Medicine are extremely pleased to again see Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford recognized by U.S. News for delivering the highest levels of patient care excellence."

Dawes agreed. "It's a tribute to the Stanford Medicine expertise and training," said Dawes, noting that the U.S. News annual rankings are a source of pride across the organization. "This is an exciting time. We've evolved into a comprehensive health care system and are looking forward to the 2017 debut of our expanded pediatric and obstetric hospital campus. Together, we're changing the way health care is delivered."