



For the second consecutive year, *U.S. News & World Report* named EvergreenHealth as one of the top health care organizations in the region for its exceptional clinical care. The publication's 2014-15 rankings name the Kirkland-based health system the No. 2 hospital in the Seattle metro area and No. 3 hospital in Washington state.

In addition to national acclaim, EvergreenHealth recently earned recognition from local consumers as "Best Hospital" in the annual *425* magazine Best Of poll, for the second year in a row.

"It is a great honor to be recognized for our care and service—both by data-driven experts who evaluate our clinical care and outcomes, and by local residents who continue to choose EvergreenHealth as their preferred health care partner," said EvergreenHealth CEO Bob Malte. "We work hard to earn their trust and provide an exceptional experience for our patients and their



families, and recognitions like these are a humbling testament to the providers, staff and volunteers who dedicate their time and talents to provide the community with the highest quality care and service.”



U.S. News & World Report recognizes hospitals that excel in providing the best care for the most serious or complicated medical conditions and procedures. Its annual “Best Hospitals” rankings, now in its 25th year, help guide patients who need a high level of care because they face particularly difficult surgery, a challenging condition or added risk because of other health problems or age.

“The data tell the story—a hospital that emerged from our analysis as one of the best has much to be proud of,” said *U.S. News* Health Rankings Editor Avery Comarow. “A Best Hospital has demonstrated its expertise in treating the most challenging patients.”

U.S. News acknowledged EvergreenHealth for high performance in nine specialty areas including cancer, diabetes and endocrinology, gastroenterology and GI surgery, geriatrics, nephrology, neurology and neurosurgery, orthopedics, pulmonology and urology.

Locally, consumers named EvergreenHealth “Best Hospital” in the annual *425* magazine Best Of poll, for its patient-centered approach. Readers named EvergreenHealth’s 24/7 Nurse Navigator & Healthline and its knowledgeable and experienced team of professionals among the reasons for entrusting EvergreenHealth for their health care needs.

The *U.S. News* specialty rankings and data were produced by RTI International, a leading research organization based in Triangle Park, North Carolina. *U.S. News* produced the state and metro rankings using the same data.

The *U.S. News* rankings have been published at health.usnews.com/best-hospitals, will appear in print in the *U.S. News* Best Hospitals 2015 guidebook and will be available at bookstores and newsstands August 26. The results of the *425* magazine poll are published at www.425magazine.com/best-425.

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