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CONNECTICUT CHILDREN'S NAMED TO U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT'S 2012-13 BEST CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS RANKINGS

HARTFORD, Conn. – Connecticut Children's Medical Center has been ranked in diabetes & endocrinology and neonatology in U.S. News & World Report's 2012-13 Best Children's Hospitals rankings, now available online at www.usnews.com/childrenshospitals. This is the third consecutive year that Connecticut Children's has been recognized as one of the best children's hospitals in the nation in providing care for children.

"Connecticut Children's Medical Center deserves high praise for its accomplishments," said Health Rankings Editor Avery Comarow. "Connecticut Children's has a reservoir of dedication and expertise that helps the sickest kids. Our goal at U.S. News is to identify and call attention to pediatric centers like this one."

This year, U.S. News surveyed 178 pediatric centers to obtain hard data such as availability of key resources and ability to prevent complications and infections. The hospital survey made up 75 percent of the rankings. A separate reputational survey in which 1,500 pediatric specialists - 150 in each specialty - were asked where they would send the sickest children in their specialty made up the remaining 25 percent.

"We are pleased that Connecticut Children's is being recognized nationally for the exemplary quality of care that our medical staff provides," said Martin J. Gavin, President and CEO of Connecticut Children's Medical Center. "It is a great honor, and we feel it reaffirms our role as a leader in providing pediatric care in our region."

The full rankings and methodology are available at www.usnews.com/childrenshospitals. The rankings will also be published in the U.S. News *Best Hospitals 2013* guidebook, which will be available in August.

About Connecticut Children's Medical Center

Connecticut Children's Medical Center, the region's only academic medical center dedicated exclusively to the care of children, is committed to improving children's physical and emotional health through family-centered care, research, education and advocacy. Named one of America's Best Children's Hospitals by U.S. News and World Report, Connecticut Children's offers a full range of quality pediatric services at its hospitals in Hartford and Waterbury, NICUs in Hartford and Farmington, Specialty Care Centers in Farmington, Glastonbury, Hartford and Shelton and 13 other practice locations. For more information, visit www.connecticutchildrens.org, and connect on Twitter (@ctchildrens) and Facebook (/connecticutchildrens).

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