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U.S. News & World Report: Bridgeport Hospital Best in Fairfield County in Geriatrics, Nephrology, Pulmonology and Urology

Bridgeport Hospital is best in Fairfield County for Geriatrics, Nephrology, Pulmonology and Urology, according to *U.S. News & World Report's* newly released 2012-13 Best Hospitals rankings. The hospital is the only one in the county listed as high performing in Geriatrics, Nephrology and Pulmonology, and is one of only two high performing hospitals in the county in Urology. This is the second consecutive year that Bridgeport Hospital is high performing in Geriatrics. The hospital added three more high performing specialties this year.

In addition, *U.S. News* noted that Bridgeport Hospital “scored high in patient safety, demonstrating a commitment to reducing accidents and medical mistakes.”

U.S. News surveyed nearly 10,000 specialists and examined data for approximately 5,000 hospitals to rank the best in 16 adult specialties, from cancer to urology. Death rates, patient safety, and hospital reputation were a few of the factors considered.

“Our improved performance in the *U.S. News* rankings is a tribute to the ongoing commitment of our physicians and staff to providing safe, high-quality patient care,” says Bridgeport Hospital President and CEO Bill Jennings. “We will continue to strive for excellence because that’s what our patients expect and deserve.”

Established in 1878, the 383-bed Bridgeport Hospital is a not-for-profit, acute care teaching hospital that serves nearly 20,000 inpatients and receives more than 200,000 outpatient visits each year, including 77,000 to its emergency department. The hospital is also the site of The Connecticut Burn Center, the only dedicated burn care facility in the state.

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