

# HealthGrades 2011 Obstetrics & Gynecology in American Hospitals

For more than ten years, HealthGrades has been empowering patients with objective quality information to make informed decisions when choosing a healthcare provider. Each month, HealthGrades receives eight million unique visitors to its website, 71% of which are female.

Today women have many options in choosing a hospital or provider and when making treatment decisions that align with their specific needs and personal preferences. To help meet the unique needs of women and empower them to make the best choices about their health, HealthGrades has identified the best-performing hospitals for maternity care and gynecologic surgery across 19 states from which data are publically available. Our HealthGrades 2011 Obstetrics & Gynecology in American Hospitals report also identifies other key statistics about some of the most common female surgeries.

## How HealthGrades Determined the Best-Performing Hospitals

For both maternity care and gynecologic surgery, HealthGrades used three years of data, (2007 through 2009) from 19 states where hospital patient outcomes data are publically available. The best-performing hospitals were designated as 5 stars, average-performing hospitals were designated as 3 stars, and poor-performing hospitals were designated as 1 star.

There were 219 hospitals that were rated with 5 stars for **maternity care**. For maternity care, hospitals were evaluated on:

- Vaginal delivery maternal complication rates for single live deliveries (single live delivery is a pregnancy with a single fetus alive at birth)
- C-section delivery maternal complication rates for single live deliveries
- Overall volume and volume of low birth weight deliveries
- Risk-adjusted infant mortality rates for single live deliveries

There were 461 hospitals that were rated as 5 stars for **gynecologic surgery**. For gynecologic surgery, HealthGrades evaluated hospitals on rates of in-hospital complications (such as, post-operative infections, hemorrhages, respiratory complications, and cardiac complications). For this analysis, HealthGrades evaluated the following inpatient gynecologic procedures:

- Fistula repair surgery
- Hysterectomy
- Surgery for fallen bladders or prolapse
- Surgery for incontinence
- Surgery on ovaries and fallopian tubes
- Surgery for vulvar cancer

A list of five-star rated hospitals for both of these specialties can be found at the end of this report. All star ratings by individual hospitals can be found at [www.HealthGrades.com](http://www.HealthGrades.com).

## Why Choosing a Highly Rated Provider Matters

Any gynecologic surgery or maternal delivery procedure involves risks and the possibility of complications that may become serious and even life threatening in some cases. Exercising your right to choose the best provider possible may reduce your risk of in-hospital complications.

## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

From 2007 through 2009, across the 19 states studied:

**461**

**hospitals in 19 states rated 5 stars in gynecologic surgery**

**219**

**hospitals in 19 states rated 5 stars in maternity care**

**30**

**hospitals in 19 states received *both* the Maternity Care Excellence Award™ and the Gynecologic Surgery Excellence Award™**

## WHY CHOOSING A HIGHLY RATED PROVIDER MATTERS

From 2007 through 2009, across the 19 states studied:

**7%**

**of women undergoing single live deliveries experienced an in-hospital complication**

**9%**

**of women undergoing gynecologic surgery experienced an in-hospital complication**

If all hospitals from 2007 through 2009 had performed at the level of 5-star hospitals:

**32%**

**or 141,869 single live delivery complications could have been potentially prevented**

**35%**

**or 30,675 gynecologic surgery complications could have been potentially prevented**

## FIND HOSPITALS IN YOUR AREA

Find and compare the quality of hospital maternity care and gynecologic surgery programs in your community at [HealthGrades.com](http://HealthGrades.com).

## The Most Common Inhospital Complications

From 2007 through 2009, across the 19 states studied, 7% of women undergoing single live deliveries experienced an inhospital complication and 9% of women undergoing gynecologic surgery experienced an inhospital complication. The most common inhospital complications include:

### Vaginal Deliveries

- Severe lacerations (3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> degree perineal lacerations)
- Hemorrhages (excessive bleeding)

### C-Section Deliveries

- Hemorrhages
- Postpartum infections and wound complications
- Complications related to anesthesia

### Gynecologic Surgery

- Accidental punctures or lacerations
- Hemorrhages
- Digestive system complications (bowel obstructions)
- Respiratory complications
- Urinary complications
- Infection

## Maternity Care

### C-Section Surgical Trends

A C-section (caesarean section, cesarean section) is the surgical delivery of a baby by making an incision into the abdominal cavity and then another incision into the uterus itself. C-sections are performed when a vaginal delivery puts the health of the mother or the baby at risk or at times when a patient has had a prior C-section necessitating a repeat operative delivery.

### C-Section Delivery Rates Continue to Rise to Historic High

HealthGrades looked at the percentage of C-sections from 2002 through 2009. In 2002, the C-section rate was 27% and by 2009 it had **increased to 34%** of single live deliveries.

The dramatic increase in C-section rates has been the subject of much controversy. In fact, according to the Joint Commission, "There are no data that higher rates improve any outcomes, yet the C-section rates continue to rise."<sup>1</sup> In many cases of C-section in recent years, the benefits may be questionable and important healthcare organizations, including the Joint Commission and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, have endorsed safely reducing C-sections rates in certain types of pregnancies.

A 2011 study by Yale School of Medicine found that half of the increase in C-sections involved women who were having a C-section due to a prior C-section delivery, and the other half is due to a rise of first time C-section deliveries.<sup>2</sup>

The rise in C-sections has been associated with many factors including:

- Common labor practices that can increase the likelihood of needing a C-section, such as induction of labor or having an epidural early in labor
- Convenience in delivery timing for the provider or the mother
- Increase in maternal age, which increases the risk for complications during pregnancy and delivery
- Increase in maternal risk factors, such as obesity and diabetes
- Increase in number of women who have multiple births (e.g., twins, triplets), sometimes due to the increase in fertility treatments associated with advancing age for first time mothers
- Increasing willingness of physicians to perform C-sections
- Limited understanding by the mother of the potentially serious complications of C-section
- Maternal-requested C-sections
- Physician fear of malpractice claims if they do not perform a C-section
- Established physician practice patterns

## 19 STATES STUDIED

HealthGrades analyzed overall trends associated with maternity care and gynecologic surgery in the following **19 states** where data are publically available:

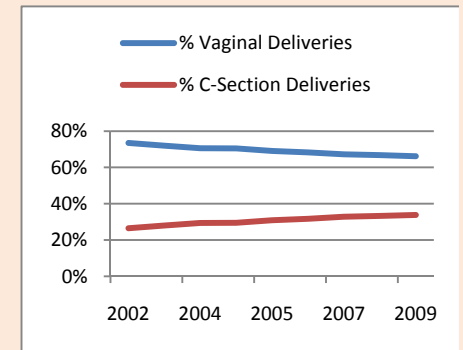
- Arizona
- California
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- Massachusetts
- Nevada
- New Jersey
- New York
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Rhode Island
- Texas
- Utah
- Virginia
- Washington
- Wisconsin

## DID YOU KNOW

In 1965, the U.S. cesarean rate was measured for the first time and it was 4.5% (4.5 C-sections per 100 primary deliveries).<sup>3</sup> The current rate in the 19 states studied is 34%.

## VAGINAL C-SECTION RATES

Figure 1. Vaginal and C-Section Rates (2007 – 2009, 19 States)



## WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT C-SECTION DELIVERY

As an expectant mother, it is important to understand the risks, benefits, and how and why a C-section is performed. [Learn more about C-section delivery.](#)

[www.bettermedicine.com/article/cesarean-delivery](http://www.bettermedicine.com/article/cesarean-delivery)

## BABY'S CARE AFTER A C-SECTION DELIVERY

Babies born by cesarean may have difficulty clearing some of the lung fluid and mucus. [Learn more about the extra care that is often needed.](#)

[www.bettermedicine.com/article/baby-s-care-after-a-cesarean-delivery](http://www.bettermedicine.com/article/baby-s-care-after-a-cesarean-delivery)

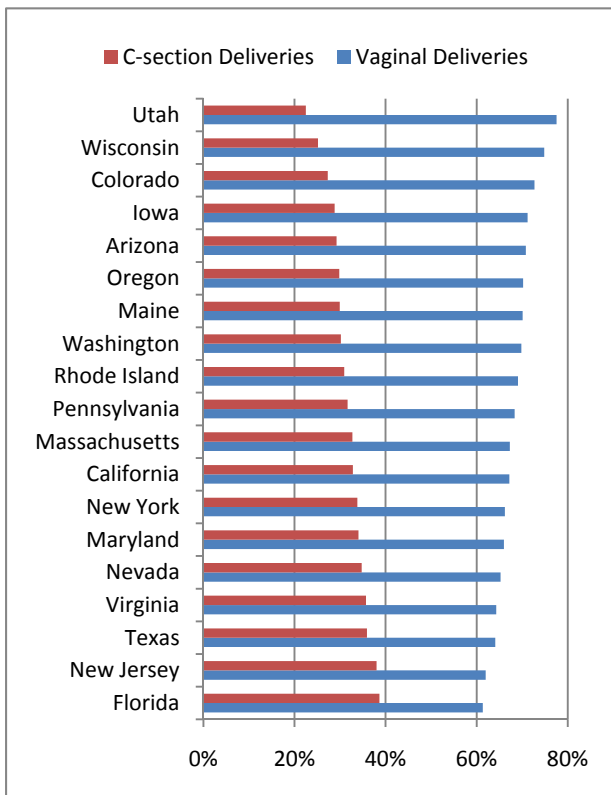
## Delivery Rates by State

Of the 19 states studied, Florida, New Jersey and Texas had the highest percentage of C-sections compared to vaginal deliveries (38.64%, 38.01% and 35.92% respectively). States with the lowest rate of C-section deliveries were Utah, Wisconsin and Colorado (22.48%, 25.15% and 27.31% respectively).

Table 1. Delivery Rates by State (2007 – 2009, 19 States)

State	Single Live Deliveries	Percent Vaginal Deliveries	Percent C-Section Deliveries
Florida	601,653	61.36%	38.64%
New Jersey	292,604	61.99%	38.01%
Texas	1,002,717	64.08%	35.92%
Virginia	263,268	64.31%	35.69%
Nevada	98,309	65.24%	34.76%
Maryland	187,769	65.96%	34.04%
New York	664,000	66.20%	33.80%
California	1,394,416	67.18%	32.82%
Massachusetts	210,327	67.29%	32.71%
Pennsylvania	382,917	68.35%	31.65%
Rhode Island	34,413	69.07%	30.93%
Washington	228,198	69.81%	30.19%
Maine	36,747	70.08%	29.92%
Oregon	128,041	70.18%	29.82%
Arizona	247,539	70.78%	29.22%
Iowa	107,485	71.18%	28.82%
Colorado	180,468	72.69%	27.31%
Wisconsin	189,814	74.85%	25.15%
Utah	151,405	77.52%	22.48%

Figure 2. Delivery Rates by State (2007 – 2009, 19 States)



## COMPARING RISKS OF C-SECTION AND VAGINAL DELIVERIES

### C-Section Risks

The potential risks, complications and disadvantages of a C-section include:

- Blood clots
- Bowel obstruction
- Elevated risk of neonatal mortality
- Elevated risk of respiratory complications in the infant
- Emergency hysterectomy
- Excessive bleeding (hemorrhage)
- Increased risk of certain conditions in future pregnancies, such as placenta previa, ectopic pregnancy, and placental abruption
- Injury to the mother's bladder, uterus or bowel, which can lead to problems such as reduced function of internal organs and repeat surgery
- Infection
- Longer hospitalization and increased risk of being re-hospitalized than for vaginal delivery
- Longer recovery period for routine activities, such as returning to work, driving, sexual activity, and exercise
- Potential for minor cuts to the baby

### Vaginal Delivery Risks

The potential risks, complications and disadvantages of a vaginal delivery include:

- Excessive bleeding (hemorrhage)
- Hemorrhoids, which can occur due to the pregnancy as well as the delivery
- Infection
- Pain or soreness in the vaginal area weeks to months after birth
- Urinary or fecal incontinence, which can occur due to the pregnancy as well as from the delivery
- Vaginal or perineal lacerations

There may be an increased risk of some complications or other risks for certain types of vaginal deliveries, such as a vaginal delivery after a C-section, an induced delivery, or a vaginal delivery assisted with forceps or suction. Talk with your doctor about all the risks of all childbirth procedures.

## What an Expectant Mother Should Know About C-Sections

A C-section can be a necessary surgical procedure that saves the life of the mother or baby, such as when a baby is in fetal distress or is too large to pass through the pelvis and vagina. C-sections also reduce the risk of serious complications that can occur during certain vaginal deliveries, such as when the mother has HIV or genital herpes infection.

Although C-sections are generally considered safe, it is important to understand that a C-section is still a major surgical procedure that includes serious risks to mothers and babies, including blood clots in the mother and respiratory complications in the newborn.

Every pregnancy is unique, and all the benefits and risks of a C-section versus a vaginal delivery must be weighed carefully to make the best possible choice for the mother and her baby.

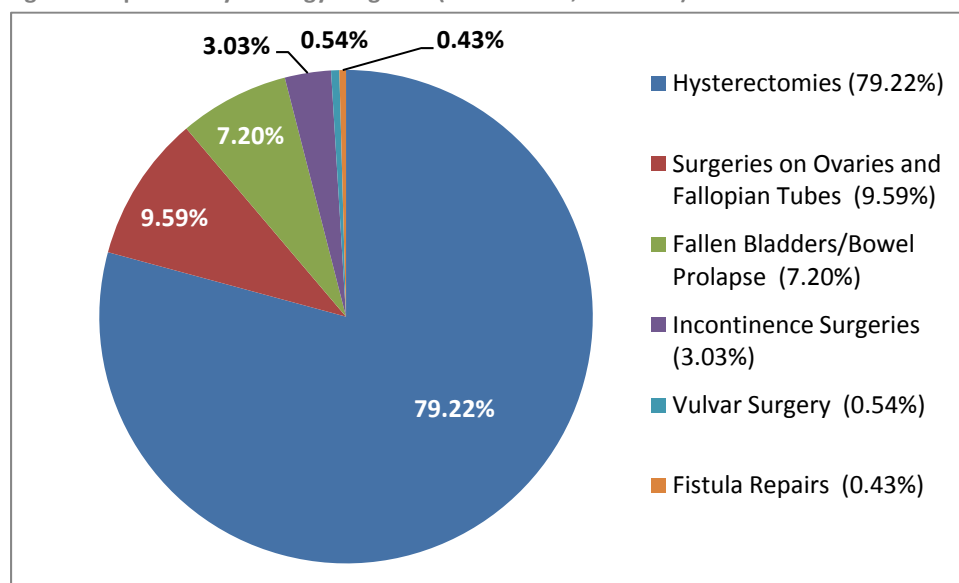
As an expectant mother, it is important to understand the risk and benefits of a C-section, and to choose a provider who will openly discuss both your concerns and his or her process for determining the appropriate delivery procedure for you.

## Gynecologic Surgery

In all, HealthGrades evaluated 987,283 gynecologic surgeries from 2007 to 2009 in the 19 states studied. Hysterectomies were the most common inpatient gynecologic procedure with 529,936 women in 19 states having the procedure.

Surprisingly, inpatient urinary incontinence procedures were somewhat uncommon representing only 3% of the inpatient procedures.

Figure 3. Inpatient Gynecology Surgeries (2007 – 2009, 19 States)



## TREATING URINARY INCONTINENCE

Urinary incontinence is a symptom rather than a disease so it is very important to see a doctor to establish the underlying cause, determine the type of urinary incontinence, and determine the appropriate treatment.

The types of urinary incontinence include:

- Stress incontinence – loss of urine when pressure is exerted on the bladder such as during a sneeze or laugh
- Urge incontinence (overactive bladder) – an involuntary need to suddenly urinate
- Overflow incontinence – the inability to maintain bladder pressure and control, resulting in dribbling
- Functional incontinence – a physical impairment making it difficult for an individual to reach the toilet on time.

Having incontinence does not mean that a woman must resign herself to a life of absorbent pads and being close to a toilet nor does it necessarily mean surgery.

There are now many treatment options:

- Diet modifications, such as reducing or eliminating alcohol and caffeine, both of which cause increased urine production
- Bladder training, a behavioral program that helps lengthen the time between urges to urinate
- Pelvic muscle rehabilitation, including Kegel exercises, biofeedback, and electro stimulations, all aimed at strengthening the muscles that help control the flow of urine
- Medications, such as anticholinergics that can help relax bladder muscles and prevent bladder spasms
- Vaginal pessaries, devices placed in the vagina to support weak pelvic muscles and the bladder

If nonsurgical treatments are not effective in treating incontinence, surgery may be an option. The type of surgery will vary depending on the underlying cause of incontinence. Common urinary incontinence surgeries are bladder suspension procedures.

## Urinary Incontinence Surgical Trends

### Few Procedures Performed for Urinary Incontinence

Urinary incontinence is an involuntary loss of urine control that can range in severity from a small amount of dribbling to a large uncontrollable flow of urine. Urinary incontinence is very common. Approximately 25 million adult Americans experience temporary or chronic urinary incontinence and one in four women over the age of 18 experience episodes of leaking urine involuntarily, according to the National Association for Continence.<sup>4</sup>

Although urinary incontinence is fairly common, there are relatively few inpatient surgical procedures performed to correct the condition. HealthGrades' analysis of gynecologic surgery showed that in-hospital urinary incontinence surgeries represented only 3% of the overall procedures. Many surgical procedures performed to correct incontinence are performed in an outpatient setting, which means that you are not actually admitted to the hospital.

The low volume of in-hospital urinary incontinence surgeries may also be due to a variety of factors, including the availability of less invasive choices for treating incontinence and a reluctance for women to discuss the condition with healthcare providers due to embarrassment or shame.

Unfortunately, many women may accept mild to moderate incontinence as a normal consequence of childbearing or aging despite the fact that there are treatable causes of urinary incontinence that can make a marked difference in their quality of living.

### Childbirth and Other Risks for Incontinence

Urinary incontinence can occur at any age, but women over age 50 are the most likely to develop the condition as the body starts to undergo the changes that menopause brings. Incontinence can occur due to physical changes resulting from vaginal delivery. Incontinence can also be caused by pregnancy itself or by injury to the bladder or urinary system that can occur during a C-section procedure. Incontinence can occur in the weeks and months after birth or even decades later.

Other factors, some of which can be controlled, that increase the risk of developing urinary incontinence include:

- Being overweight or obese
- Certain diseases, such as diabetes, Alzheimer's disease, multiple sclerosis, and urinary tract infections
- Chronic cough that can weaken pelvic floor muscles
- Delirium due to illness or medications
- Disability or poor mobility, which makes it difficult to reach the bathroom quickly
- Excessive weight gain while pregnant
- Hysterectomy
- Increasing age
- Fetus that is larger than average both earlier and throughout its development
- Taking certain medications, such as diuretics which increase the amount of urine produced

### DETERMINING THE CAUSE OF YOUR INCONTINENCE

Many people never tell their physician that they experience incontinence, and that results in prolonged and largely needless suffering. In 70% of cases, incontinence can be cured or significantly improved. [Learn about incontinence and find the courage to bring up the subject with your doctor.](#)

[www.bettermedicine.com/topic/overactive-bladder/determining-the-cause-of-your-incontinence](http://www.bettermedicine.com/topic/overactive-bladder/determining-the-cause-of-your-incontinence)

### MEDICATIONS FOR TREATING OVERACTIVE BLADDER

Many people take medication to treat overactive bladder (OAB) with great success. [What you need to know.](#)

[www.bettermedicine.com/simple-solutions-for-an-overactive-bladder/medication-options-for-overactive-bladder](http://www.bettermedicine.com/simple-solutions-for-an-overactive-bladder/medication-options-for-overactive-bladder)

### CHOOSING BLADDER-FRIENDLY FOODS

Certain foods and drinks have a more direct effect on an overactive bladder. Watching what's on your menu helps keep your symptoms in check. [Find out what to skip, and how you can indulge yourself with these guidelines.](#)

[www.bettermedicine.com/simple-solutions-for-an-overactive-bladder/what-to-eat-when-you-have-overactive-bladder](http://www.bettermedicine.com/simple-solutions-for-an-overactive-bladder/what-to-eat-when-you-have-overactive-bladder)

### IS INTERSTITIAL CYSTITIS CAUSING YOUR BLADDER PAIN?

More than 1.3 million Americans have long-term bladder pain. Interstitial cystitis is a more common—but less known—cause of bladder pain and urination problems. [Here's a closer look at the symptoms of IC.](#)

[www.bettermedicine.com/interstitial-cystitis/symptoms-and-diagnosis](http://www.bettermedicine.com/interstitial-cystitis/symptoms-and-diagnosis)

### TAKE CONTROL LEARN MORE

Browse a collection of articles about urinary incontinence and overactive bladder, symptoms and diagnosis, lifestyle changes and therapies, medication and causes, and prevention. [Take the next step to learn more.](#)

[www.bettermedicine.com/topic/overactive-bladder/site-map](http://www.bettermedicine.com/topic/overactive-bladder/site-map)

## Hysterectomy Surgical Trends

### The Rate of Hysterectomies is Decreasing

A hysterectomy is the surgical removal of a woman's uterus to treat a variety of diseases, disorders and conditions of the uterus and reproductive system. From 2007 through 2009, inpatient hysterectomies were the most common gynecological procedure performed comprising 79% of all the inpatient gynecologic surgeries in the 19 states studied (see *Figure 3*). However, since 2002 the number of hysterectomies declined 31%.

Hysterectomies may be on the decline because women now have other less invasive options to treat common diseases and conditions that may have been treated more commonly by a hysterectomy in the past. These conditions include:

- **Abnormal vaginal bleeding**, which can often be treated with medication or procedures that do not involve removal of the uterus.
- **Adenomyosis**, an abnormal thickening of the wall of the uterus that causes heavy, painful periods. Adenomyosis may be treated with medications or surgery, and may resolve with the onset of menopause.
- **Precancerous changes in the cervix and some early-stage cancers of the cervix**, which may be treated with minimally invasive procedures of the cervix that do not involve hysterectomy. These include cone biopsy to remove a section of the cervix where abnormal cells are located; cryosurgery to kill abnormal cervical cells by freezing them; and LEEP procedure to eliminate abnormal cervical cells using an electrical current.
- **Endometriosis**, an abnormal uterine tissue growth that causes severe menstrual pain, chronic lower back and pelvic pain, and abnormal vaginal bleeding. Endometriosis can often be treated with anti-inflammatory pain medications, birth control medications, or other types of hormone therapy. Treatment may also include a minimally invasive laparoscopic procedure to remove the endometrial lesions.
- **Uterine fibroids**, benign tumors of the uterus that can cause significant bleeding and pain in some cases. Fibroids often need no treatment or may be treated without a hysterectomy with hormone therapy or minimally invasive procedures that remove or destroy fibroids leaving the uterus intact. These include uterine artery embolization and myomectomy.
- **Uterine prolapse**, dropping or sliding of the uterus into the vagina. Uterine prolapse is often treated with a hysterectomy. However, if there are no symptoms, uterine prolapse may need no treatment other than lifestyle changes such as avoiding chronic constipation, prolonged standing and heavy lifting. Other treatment options include a vaginal device (pessary) that holds the uterus in place, and a surgical procedure that uses ligaments to support the uterus.

### Summary

Women today have a wide array options when it comes to reproductive health and choosing a healthcare provider who aligns with their personal preferences. From pregnancy and childbirth to more serious interventions (such as, hysterectomy, surgeries to treat incontinence, and cancers of the reproductive organs) women can optimize their chances for receiving the highest possible quality of care by researching and comparing the clinical outcomes of hospitals and doctors in their area.

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### WHAT IS HYSTERECTOMY?

Hysterectomy is the surgical removal of the uterus. Different portions of the uterus, as well as other organs, may be removed at the same time. [Learn more about hysterectomy, reasons for having a hysterectomy, and the different procedures.](#)

[www.bettermedicine.com/category/female-reproductive-system/hysterectomy-procedure](http://www.bettermedicine.com/category/female-reproductive-system/hysterectomy-procedure)

### MINIMIZING YOUR RISK OF COMPLICATIONS

**Learn more about your own personal risks.**

Discuss your individual surgical risks with your physician and understand:

- What the clinical team will be doing to minimize those risks
- What you can do before surgery and during your hospitalization to minimize your risks

**Ask questions and be your own advocate.**

- Be sure to ask your healthcare provider to explain your condition and your medications every step of the way.
- Ask for the results of all your tests and know your expected target result for that test.
- Write down the name of the doctors and other healthcare providers participating in your care. During a hospitalization, you may see many doctors and this can lead to uncoordinated and fragmented care.
- Prior to checking in, make a list of all your medications, why you take them, and the dosage. Be sure to ask who to call if you have a question about your medication.
- Ask the specific clinical goals you must meet to be discharged.

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## HealthGrades Maternity Care 5-Star Hospitals and Maternity Care Excellence Award™ Recipients 2011 by Designated Market Area

The following hospitals are rated 5 stars in Maternity Care\* by HealthGrades. Recipients of the HealthGrades Maternity Care Excellence Award™\* in 2011 are also identified. Some of the hospitals have multiple locations. In these cases, results for all locations were used in the analysis and each of the facilities is designated as a 5-star rated hospital and/or a recipient of the award.

Designated Market Area	Award Recipients	Maternity Care 5-Star Hospitals 2011*	City	State
Mobile, AL-FL Florida Hospitals	●	West Florida Hospital	Pensacola	FL
Phoenix, AZ	●	Arrowhead Hospital	Glendale	AZ
		Banner Baywood Medical Center	Mesa	AZ
		Banner Estrella Medical Center	Phoenix	AZ
		Banner Gateway Medical Center	Gilbert	AZ
Yuma-El Centro, AZ-CA California Hospitals	●	Pioneers Memorial Hospital	Brawley	CA
Bakersfield, CA		Bakersfield Memorial Hospital	Bakersfield	CA
Chico-Redding, CA		Mercy Medical Center Redding	Redding	CA
Fresno-Visalia, CA	●	Central Valley General Hospital	Hanford	CA
		Clovis Community Medical Center	Clovis	CA
		Madera Community Hospital	Madera	CA
		Memorial Hospital Los Banos	Los Banos	CA
		Saint Agnes Medical Center	Fresno	CA
Los Angeles, CA	●	Antelope Valley Hospital	Lancaster	CA
		Bellflower Medical Center	Bellflower	CA
		Cedars - Sinai Medical Center	Los Angeles	CA
		Citrus Valley Medical Center - Inter-Community Campus	Covina	CA
		<i>including:</i> Citrus Valley Medical Center - Queen of the Valley	West Covina	CA
		Coastal Communities Hospital	Santa Ana	CA
		Community Hospital of San Bernardino	San Bernardino	CA
		Corona Regional Medical Center	Corona	CA
		Downey Regional Medical Center	Downey	CA
		East Los Angeles Doctors Hospital	Los Angeles	CA
		Garden Grove Hospital and Medical Center	Garden Grove	CA
		Garfield Medical Center	Monterey Park	CA
		Good Samaritan Hospital	Los Angeles	CA
		Greater El Monte Community Hospital	South El Monte	CA
		Huntington Memorial Hospital	Pasadena	CA
		Los Angeles Community Hospital	Los Angeles	CA
		<i>including:</i> Norwalk Community Hospital	Norwalk	CA
Los Robles Hospital and Medical Center	Thousand Oaks	CA		
Methodist Hospital of Southern California	Arcadia	CA		
Miller Children's Hospital	Long Beach	CA		

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Designated Market Area	Award Recipients	Maternity Care 5-Star Hospitals 2011*	City	State
Los Angeles, CA <i>continued</i>	●	Monterey Park Hospital	Monterey Park	CA
		Northridge Hospital Medical Center	Northridge	CA
		Orange Coast Memorial Medical Center	Fountain Valley	CA
	●	Pacific Alliance Medical Center	Los Angeles	CA
		Pacific Hospital of Long Beach	Long Beach	CA
		Pacifica Hospital of the Valley	Sun Valley	CA
		Parkview Community Hospital Medical Center	Riverside	CA
	●	Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center	Pomona	CA
		Providence Saint Joseph Medical Center	Burbank	CA
	●	Providence Tarzana Medical Center	Tarzana	CA
	●	Riverside Community Hospital	Riverside	CA
		Riverside County Regional Medical Center	Moreno Valley	CA
	●	Saint Francis Medical Center	Lynwood	CA
	●	Saint Mary Medical Center	Long Beach	CA
		St. Bernardine Medical Center	San Bernardino	CA
	●	Valley Presbyterian Hospital	Van Nuys	CA
		Victor Valley Community Hospital	Victorville	CA
	●	West Hills Hospital and Medical Center	West Hills	CA
	●	Western Medical Center Anaheim	Anaheim	CA
	●	Western Medical Center Santa Ana	Santa Ana	CA
●	Whittier Hospital Medical Center	Whittier	CA	
Sacramento, CA	●	Emanuel Medical Center	Turlock	CA
	●	Mercy San Juan Medical Center	Carmichael	CA
San Diego, CA		Pomerado Hospital	Poway	CA
		Sharp Memorial Hospital	San Diego	CA
San Francisco, CA	●	O'Connor Hospital	San Jose	CA
	●	Sutter Delta Medical Center	Antioch	CA
		Valleycare Medical Center	Pleasanton	CA
Santa Barbara, CA		Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center	San Luis Obispo	CA
Washington, DC-MD Maryland Hospitals	●	Holy Cross Hospital	Silver Spring	MD
		Washington Adventist Hospital	Takoma Park	MD
Washington, DC-MD Virginia Hospitals	●	Inova Alexandria Hospital	Alexandria	VA
	●	Reston Hospital Center	Reston	VA
Miami-Ft. Lauderdale, FL	●	Baptist Hospital of Miami	Miami	FL
	●	<i>including:</i> Baptist Children's Hospital	Miami	FL
		Hialeah Hospital	Hialeah	FL
	●	Kendall Regional Medical Center	Miami	FL
	●	Memorial Hospital Miramar	Miramar	FL

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Miami-Ft. Lauderdale, FL <i>continued</i>		Mercy Hospital - A Campus of Plantation General	Miami	FL
	●	Mount Sinai Medical Center	Miami Beach	FL
	●	<i>including:</i> Mount Sinai Medical Center and Miami Heart Institute	Miami Beach	FL
	●	Palmetto General Hospital	Hialeah	FL
		South Miami Hospital	South Miami	FL
Orlando, FL		Florida Hospital Memorial Medical Center	Daytona Beach	FL
		<i>including:</i> Florida Hospital Oceanside	Ormond Beach	FL
	●	Halifax Health - Medical Center of Daytona Beach	Daytona Beach	FL
	●	<i>including:</i> Atlantic Medical Center	Daytona Beach	FL
	●	Halifax MC - Port Orange	Port Orange	FL
		Health Central	Ocoee	FL
	●	Munroe Regional Medical Center	Ocala	FL
●	Osceola Regional Medical Center	Kissimmee	FL	
Panama City, FL	●	Jackson Hospital	Marianna	FL
Tampa, FL	●	Brooksville Regional Hospital	Brooksville	FL
	●	<i>including:</i> Spring Hill Regional Hospital	Spring Hill	FL
	●	Heart of Florida Regional Medical Center	Davenport	FL
	●	Lakeland Regional Medical Center	Lakeland	FL
	●	Manatee Memorial Hospital	Bradenton	FL
	●	Saint Petersburg General Hospital	Saint Petersburg	FL
	●	Sarasota Memorial Hospital	Sarasota	FL
	●	Winter Haven Hospital	Winter Haven	FL
	●	<i>including:</i> Regency Medical Center	Winter Haven	FL
W. Palm Beach, FL	●	Bethesda Memorial Hospital	Boynton Beach	FL
	●	Boca Raton Regional Hospital	Boca Raton	FL
		Martin Memorial Medical Center	Stuart	FL
		<i>including:</i> Martin Memorial Hospital South	Stuart	FL
	●	Wellington Regional Medical Center	Wellington	FL
●	West Boca Medical Center	Boca Raton	FL	
Cedar Rapids, IA	●	Covenant Medical Center	Waterloo	IA
Des Moines-Ames, IA	●	Mercy Medical Center - Des Moines	Des Moines	IA
	●	<i>including:</i> Mercy MC - West Lakes	West Des Moines	IA
Shreveport, LA Texas Hospitals		Good Shepherd Medical Center Marshall	Marshall	TX
	●	Wadley Regional Medical Center	Texarkana	TX
Springfield-Holyoke, MA	●	Baystate Medical Center	Springfield	MA
Boston, MA-NH Massachusetts Hospitals		Emerson Hospital	Concord	MA
Baltimore, MD		Upper Chesapeake Medical Center	Bel Air	MD
Bangor, ME		Eastern Maine Medical Center	Bangor	ME

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Las Vegas, NV		Mountainview Hospital	Las Vegas	NV	
	●	Saint Rose Dominican Hospital - Rose de Lima Campus	Henderson	NV	
	●	Spring Valley Hospital	Las Vegas	NV	
Albany, NY		Saratoga Hospital	Saratoga Springs	NY	
Buffalo, NY New York Hospitals		Mercy Hospital	Buffalo	NY	
		United Memorial Medical Center	Batavia	NY	
Buffalo, NY Pennsylvania Hospitals		Bradford Regional Medical Center	Bradford	PA	
New York, NY New Jersey Hospitals	●	Christ Hospital	Jersey City	NJ	
		Clara Maass Medical Center	Belleville	NJ	
	●	Englewood Hospital & Medical Center	Englewood	NJ	
	●	Holy Name Medical Center	Teaneck	NJ	
	●	Kimball Medical Center	Lakewood	NJ	
		Libertyhealth - Meadowlands Hospital	Secaucus	NJ	
	●	Monmouth Medical Center	Long Branch	NJ	
	●	Morristown Memorial Hospital	Morristown	NJ	
	●	Palisades Medical Center - New York Presbyterian Healthcare System	North Bergen	NJ	
	●	Saint Barnabas Medical Center	Livingston	NJ	
		Saint Joseph's Regional Medical Center	Paterson	NJ	
		<i>including:</i> Saint Joseph's Children Hospital	Paterson	NJ	
	●	Saint Peter's University Hospital	New Brunswick	NJ	
	●	<i>including:</i> The Children's Hospital at Saint Peter's University Hospital	New Brunswick	NJ	
	New York, NY New York Hospitals	●	Bon Secours Good Samaritan Hospital of Suffern	Suffern	NY
			Bronx - Lebanon Hospital Center	Bronx	NY
		<i>including:</i> Bronx-Lebanon-- Concourse Division	Bronx	NY	
●		Coney Island Hospital	Brooklyn	NY	
●		Forest Hills Hospital	Forest Hills	NY	
●		Huntington Hospital	Huntington	NY	
●		Lawrence Hospital Center	Bronxville	NY	
●		Nassau University Medical Center	East Meadow	NY	
		New York Downtown Hospital	New York	NY	
●		New York Hospital Medical Center of Queens	Flushing	NY	
●		North Central Bronx Hospital	Bronx	NY	
●		North Shore University Hospital	Manhasset	NY	
●		<i>including:</i> North Shore University Hospital Syosset	Syosset	NY	
		Northern Dutchess Hospital	Rhinebeck	NY	
●		Nyack Hospital	Nyack	NY	
●		NYU Langone Medical Center	New York	NY	
●	Plainview Hospital	Plainview	NY		

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New York, NY New York Hospitals <i>continued</i>	●	Richmond University Medical Center	Staten Island	NY
	●	Saint Catherine of Siena Medical Center	Smithtown	NY
	●	Saint Charles Hospital	Port Jefferson	NY
	●	Saint John's Episcopal Hospital at South Shore	Far Rockaway	NY
	●	Saint John's Riverside Hospital - Andrus Pavilion	Yonkers	NY
	●	Sound Shore Medical Center of Westchester	New Rochelle	NY
		South Nassau Communities Hospital	Oceanside	NY
	●	Southside Hospital	Bay Shore	NY
	●	St. Luke's Cornwall Hospital	Newburgh	NY
	●	Winthrop - University Hospital	Mineola	NY
Rochester, NY	●	Newark - Wayne Community Hospital	Newark	NY
Watertown, NY	●	Claxton - Hepburn Medical Center	Ogdensburg	NY
Harrisburg, PA		Pinnacle Health System	Harrisburg	PA
Johnstown-Altoona, PA	●	Memorial Medical Center	Johnstown	PA
	●	<i>including:</i> Memorial Medical Center - Lee	Johnstown	PA
Philadelphia, PA New Jersey Hospitals		AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center - Atlantic City	Atlantic City	NJ
		<i>including:</i> AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center - Mainland	Pomona	NJ
		Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Hamilton	Hamilton	NJ
		Shore Memorial Hospital	Somers Point	NJ
	●	University Medical Center at Princeton	Princeton	NJ
Philadelphia, PA Pennsylvania Hospitals	●	Abington Memorial Hospital	Abington	PA
	●	<i>including:</i> Abington Health Center - Warminster Campus	Warminster	PA
	●	Allegheny University Hospitals - Bucks	Warminster	PA
		Doylestown Hospital	Doylestown	PA
		Northeastern Hospital	Philadelphia	PA
	●	Pottstown Memorial Medical Center	Pottstown	PA
	●	Riddle Memorial Hospital	Media	PA
Pittsburgh, PA		Heritage Valley Sewickley	Sewickley	PA
	●	Westmoreland Hospital	Greensburg	PA
	●	<i>including:</i> Westmoreland Hospital at Jeannette	Jeannette	PA
Wilkes Barre, PA	●	Moses Taylor Hospital	Scranton	PA
Providence, RI-MA Massachusetts Hospitals		Southcoast Hospitals Group - Charlton Memorial	Fall River	MA
		<i>including:</i> Southcoast Hospitals Group - St. Luke's Hospital	New Bedford	MA
		Southcoast Hospitals Group - Tobey Hospital	Wareham	MA
Providence, RI-MA Rhode Island Hospitals	●	Kent Hospital	Warwick	RI
		Women & Infants Hospital	Providence	RI

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Austin, TX		Seton Southwest Hospital	Austin	TX
	●	St. David's Medical Center	Austin	TX
	●	<i>including:</i> St. David's Georgetown Hospital	Georgetown	TX
	●	St. David's South Austin Medical Center	Austin	TX
Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX	●	Memorial Hermann Baptist Orange Hospital	Orange	TX
Corpus Christi, TX	●	CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Beeville	Beeville	TX
Dallas-Ft. Worth, TX		Baylor Medical Center at Garland	Garland	TX
		JPS Health Network	Fort Worth	TX
	●	Medical Center of Arlington	Arlington	TX
		Palo Pinto General Hospital	Mineral Wells	TX
		Paris Regional Medical Center	Paris	TX
		<i>including:</i> Paris Regional Medical Center - North Campus	Paris	TX
		Renaissance Hospital - Terrell	Terrell	TX
	●	Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Allen	Allen	TX
		Weatherford Regional Medical Center	Weatherford	TX
Harlingen, TX	●	Harlingen Medical Center	Harlingen	TX
	●	Knapp Medical Center	Weslaco	TX
		Mission Regional Medical Center	Mission	TX
		South Texas Health - Edinburg Regional Medical Center	Edinburg	TX
		<i>including:</i> McAllen Medical Center	McAllen	TX
		South Texas Health - McAllen Medical Center/Heart Hospital	McAllen	TX
		Valley Baptist Medical Center	Harlingen	TX
	●	Valley Baptist Medical Center - Brownsville	Brownsville	TX
		Valley Regional Medical Center	Brownsville	TX
Houston, TX		Angleton - Danbury Medical Center	Angleton	TX
	●	Clear Lake Regional Medical Center	Webster	TX
		Cleveland Regional Medical Center	Cleveland	TX
	●	Cypress Fairbanks Medical Center	Houston	TX
	●	Doctors Hospital Tidwell	Houston	TX
	●	Houston Northwest Medical Center	Houston	TX
	●	Kingwood Medical Center	Kingwood	TX
	●	Memorial Hermann Healthcare System - Southwest	Houston	TX
	●	<i>including:</i> Memorial Hermann Northwest Hospital	Houston	TX
	●	Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital	Houston	TX
	●	Memorial Hermann The Woodlands Hospital	The Woodlands	TX
	●	Memorial Hermann Memorial City Medical Center	Houston	TX
		Memorial Hermann Northeast Hospital	Humble	TX
	●	Methodist Sugar Land Hospital	Sugar Land	TX
	●	Methodist Willowbrook Hospital	Houston	TX
	●	Oakbend Medical Center	Richmond	TX
●	St. Luke's The Woodlands Hospital	The Woodlands	TX	

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Laredo, TX		Doctors Hospital of Laredo	Laredo	TX
		Laredo Medical Center	Laredo	TX
San Angelo, TX	●	San Angelo Community Medical Center	San Angelo	TX
		Shannon Medical Center	San Angelo	TX
		<i>including:</i> Concho Valley Regional Hospital	San Angelo	TX
San Antonio, TX	●	Methodist Hospital	San Antonio	TX
	●	<i>including:</i> Methodist Womens and Childrens Hospital	San Antonio	TX
	●	Metropolitan Methodist Hospital	San Antonio	TX
	●	Northeast Methodist Hospital	San Antonio	TX
	●	Val Verde Regional Medical Center	Del Rio	TX
Tyler-Longview, TX	●	Good Shepherd Medical Center	Longview	TX
Waco-Temple-Bryan, TX	●	College Station Medical Center	College Station	TX
El Paso, TX-NM Texas Hospitals	●	Las Palmas Medical Center	El Paso	TX
	●	Providence Memorial Hospital	El Paso	TX
	●	Sierra Medical Center	El Paso	TX
Salt Lake City, UT	●	Dixie Regional Medical Center	Saint George	UT
	●	McKay - Dee Hospital Center	Ogden	UT
	●	Ogden Regional Medical Center	Ogden	UT
	●	Utah Valley Regional Medical Center	Provo	UT
Norfolk, VA	●	Sentara Leigh Hospital	Norfolk	VA
	●	Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital	Virginia Beach	VA
Richmond-Petersburg, VA		Bon Secours St. Francis Medical Center	Midlothian	VA
Roanoke-Lynchburg, VA	●	Lynchburg General Hospital	Lynchburg	VA
Seattle-Tacoma, WA	●	Evergreen Hospital Medical Center	Kirkland	WA
	●	Good Samaritan Hospital and Rehabilitation Center	Puyallup	WA
	●	Saint Joseph Medical Center	Tacoma	WA
Milwaukee, WI		Aurora Sheboygan Memorial Medical Center	Sheboygan	WI
	●	Wheaton Franciscan - Saint Joseph	Milwaukee	WI
	●	<i>including:</i> Lakeview Hospital	Milwaukee	WI
Wausau-Rhineland, WI	●	Aspirus Wausau Hospital	Wausau	WI

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## HealthGrades Gynecologic Surgery 5-Star Hospitals and Gynecologic Surgery Excellence Award™ Recipients 2011 by Designated Market Area

The following hospitals are rated 5 stars in Gynecologic Surgery\* by HealthGrades. Recipients of the HealthGrades Gynecologic Surgery Excellence Award™\* in 2011 are also identified. Some of the hospitals have multiple locations. In these cases, results for all locations were used in the analysis and each of the facilities is designated as a 5-star rated hospital and/or a recipient of the award.

Designated Market Area	Award Recipients	Gynecologic Surgery 5-Star Hospitals 2011*	City	State
Mobile, AL-FL Florida Hospitals	•	North Okaloosa Medical Center	Crestview	FL
	•	Sacred Heart Hospital	Pensacola	FL
Phoenix, AZ		Valley View Medical Center	Fort Mohave	AZ
		Verde Valley Medical Center	Cottonwood	AZ
Yuma-El Centro, AZ-CA California Hospitals	•	Pioneers Memorial Hospital	Brawley	CA
Bakersfield, CA	•	Bakersfield Memorial Hospital	Bakersfield	CA
		San Joaquin Community Hospital	Bakersfield	CA
Chico-Redding, CA		Feather River Hospital	Paradise	CA
		Saint Elizabeth Community Hospital	Red Bluff	CA
		Shasta Regional Medical Center	Redding	CA
Eureka, CA		Saint Joseph Hospital	Eureka	CA
		Sutter Coast Hospital	Crescent City	CA
Fresno-Visalia, CA	•	Adventist Medical Center - Hanford	Hanford	CA
	•	<i>including:</i> Selma Community Hospital	Selma	CA
	•	Clovis Community Medical Center	Clovis	CA
	•	Community Regional Medical Center	Fresno	CA
	•	<i>including:</i> Community Health Center - Cedar	Fresno	CA
		Kaiser Permanente Fresno Medical Center	Fresno	CA
	•	Kaweah Delta Medical Center	Visalia	CA
	•	Madera Community Hospital	Madera	CA
		Sierra Kings District Hospital	Reedley	CA
		Sierra View District Hospital	Porterville	CA
		Tulare Regional Medical Center	Tulare	CA
Los Angeles, CA	•	AHMC Anaheim Regional Medical Center	Anaheim	CA
	•	Arrowhead Regional Medical Center	Colton	CA
	•	Bellflower Medical Center	Bellflower	CA
		Beverly Hospital	Montebello	CA
		Brotman Medical Center	Culver City	CA
	•	Citrus Valley Medical Center - Inter-Community Campus	Covina	CA
	•	<i>including:</i> Citrus Valley Medical Center - Queen of the Valley	West Covina	CA
		Coastal Communities Hospital	Santa Ana	CA
	•	Community and Mission Hospital of Huntington Park	Huntington Park	CA
	•	Corona Regional Medical Center	Corona	CA

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Los Angeles, CA <i>continued</i>	●	Downey Regional Medical Center	Downey	CA
		East Los Angeles Doctors Hospital	Los Angeles	CA
	●	Foothill Presbyterian Hospital	Glendora	CA
	●	Fountain Valley Regional Hospital and Medical Center	Fountain Valley	CA
		Glendale Adventist Medical Center	Glendale	CA
	●	Good Samaritan Hospital	Los Angeles	CA
	●	Harbor - UCLA Medical Center	Torrance	CA
	●	Hemet Valley Medical Center	Hemet	CA
		Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital	Valencia	CA
		Hollywood Presbyterian Medical Center	Los Angeles	CA
		Kaiser Foundation Hospital - Moreno Valley	Moreno Valley	CA
		Kaiser Permanente Anaheim Medical Center	Anaheim	CA
		Kaiser Permanente Downey Medical Center	Downey	CA
		Kaiser Permanente Fontana Medical Center	Fontana	CA
		Kaiser Permanente Panorama City Medical Center	Panorama City	CA
	●	Kaiser Permanente Riverside Medical Center	Riverside	CA
	●	Kaiser Permanente South Bay Medical Center	Harbor City	CA
		La Palma Intercommunity Hospital	La Palma	CA
	●	LAC + USC Medical Center	Los Angeles	CA
		Lakewood Regional Medical Center	Lakewood	CA
		Los Alamitos Medical Center	Los Alamitos	CA
		Memorial Hospital of Gardena	Gardena	CA
		Mission Hospital - Mission Viejo	Mission Viejo	CA
		Montclair Hospital Medical Center	Montclair	CA
		Monterey Park Hospital	Monterey Park	CA
		Olympia Medical Center	Los Angeles	CA
	●	Orange Coast Memorial Medical Center	Fountain Valley	CA
		Pacific Hospital of Long Beach	Long Beach	CA
		Pacifica Hospital of the Valley	Sun Valley	CA
	●	Palmdale Regional Medical Center	Palmdale	CA
	●	Parkview Community Hospital Medical Center	Riverside	CA
		Placentia - Linda Hospital	Placentia	CA
	●	Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center	Pomona	CA
		Providence Little Company of Mary Medical Center San Pedro	San Pedro	CA
	●	Providence Little Company of Mary Medical Center Torrance	Torrance	CA
	●	Providence Saint Joseph Medical Center	Burbank	CA
	●	Redlands Community Hospital	Redlands	CA
		Riverside Community Hospital	Riverside	CA
	●	Riverside County Regional Medical Center	Moreno Valley	CA

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Los Angeles, CA <i>continued</i>		Saint Jude Medical Center	Fullerton	CA
		Saint Mary Medical Center	Long Beach	CA
		Saint Vincent Medical Center	Los Angeles	CA
	●	San Antonio Community Hospital	Upland	CA
		Santa Monica - UCLA Medical Center and Orthopaedic Hospital	Santa Monica	CA
		Simi Valley Hospital	Simi Valley	CA
	●	St. Bernardine Medical Center	San Bernardino	CA
		Torrance Memorial Medical Center	Torrance	CA
		Tri - City Regional Medical Center	Hawaiian Gardens	CA
	●	Valley Presbyterian Hospital	Van Nuys	CA
		Verdugo Hills Hospital	Glendale	CA
	●	Victor Valley Community Hospital	Victorville	CA
	●	West Hills Hospital and Medical Center	West Hills	CA
		Western Medical Center Anaheim	Anaheim	CA
		Whittier Hospital Medical Center	Whittier	CA
Monterey-Salinas, CA		Hazel Hawkins Memorial Hospital	Hollister	CA
		Salinas Valley Memorial Healthcare System	Salinas	CA
Palm Springs, CA	●	Desert Regional Medical Center	Palm Springs	CA
		Eisenhower Medical Center	Rancho Mirage	CA
Sacramento, CA	●	Emanuel Medical Center	Turlock	CA
	●	Kaiser Permanente Sacramento Medical Center	Sacramento	CA
		Kaiser Permanente South Sacramento Medical Center	Sacramento	CA
		Kaiser Permanente Manteca Medical Center	Manteca	CA
	●	Lodi Memorial Hospital	Lodi	CA
		Northbay Medical Center	Fairfield	CA
		Rideout Memorial Hospital	Marysville	CA
		<i>including:</i> Fremont Medical Center	Yuba City	CA
		Saint Joseph's Medical Center of Stockton	Stockton	CA
	●	Stanislaus Surgical Hospital	Modesto	CA
		Sutter Amador Hospital	Jackson	CA
		Woodland Healthcare	Woodland	CA
San Diego, CA		Palomar Medical Center	Escondido	CA
	●	Pomerado Hospital	Poway	CA
		Scripps Green Hospital	La Jolla	CA
		Sharp Chula Vista Medical Center	Chula Vista	CA
		Sharp Grossmont Hospital	La Mesa	CA

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San Francisco, CA	●	California Pacific Medical Center - Pacific	San Francisco	CA
	●	<i>including:</i> California Pacific Medical Center - California	San Francisco	CA
		Chinese Hospital	San Francisco	CA
		Kaiser Permanente Santa Rosa Medical Center	Santa Rosa	CA
		Kaiser Permanente South San Francisco Medical Center	South San Francisco	CA
		Mendocino Coast District Hospital	Fort Bragg	CA
		Menlo Park Surgical Hospital	Menlo Park	CA
		O'Connor Hospital	San Jose	CA
		Saint Louise Regional Hospital	Gilroy	CA
	●	San Mateo Medical Center	San Mateo	CA
		Sonoma Valley Hospital	Sonoma	CA
	Sutter Lakeside Hospital	Lakeport	CA	
Santa Barbara, CA		French Hospital Medical Center	San Luis Obispo	CA
Colorado Springs, CO	●	Centura Health - St. Thomas More Hospital	Canon City	CO
Denver, CO		Centura Health - Avista Adventist Hospital	Louisville	CO
	●	Exempla Lutheran Medical Center	Wheat Ridge	CO
		Exempla Saint Joseph Hospital	Denver	CO
		Prowers Medical Center	Lamar	CO
●	Swedish Medical Center	Englewood	CO	
Grand Junction, CO		St. Mary's Hospital and Regional Medical Center	Grand Junction	CO
Washington, DC-MD Maryland Hospitals		Doctors Community Hospital	Lanham	MD
	●	Fort Washington Medical Center	Fort Washington	MD
	●	Southern Maryland Hospital Center	Clinton	MD
		Washington Adventist Hospital	Takoma Park	MD
Washington, DC-MD Virginia Hospitals		Inova Alexandria Hospital	Alexandria	VA
	●	Mary Washington Hospital	Fredericksburg	VA
Ft. Myers-Naples, FL		Gulf Coast Medical Center	Fort Myers	FL
		Hendry Regional Medical Center	Clewiston	FL
Jacksonville, FL		Baptist Medical Center Beaches	Jacksonville Beach	FL
		Flagler Hospital	Saint Augustine	FL
		Orange Park Medical Center	Orange Park	FL
Miami-Ft. Lauderdale, FL	●	Aventura Hospital & Medical Center	Aventura	FL
	●	Baptist Hospital of Miami	Miami	FL
	●	Cleveland Clinic Florida	Weston	FL
	●	Coral Gables Hospital	Coral Gables	FL
	●	Coral Springs Medical Center	Coral Springs	FL
		Doctors' Hospital	Coral Gables	FL
	●	Hialeah Hospital	Hialeah	FL
	●	Holy Cross Hospital	Fort Lauderdale	FL

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Miami-Ft. Lauderdale, FL <i>continued</i>	●	Kendall Regional Medical Center	Miami	FL
		Lower Keys Medical Center	Key West	FL
	●	Memorial Regional Hospital	Hollywood	FL
	●	Mercy Hospital - A Campus of Plantation General	Miami	FL
	●	Metropolitan Hospital of Miami	Miami	FL
	●	Mount Sinai Medical Center	Miami Beach	FL
	●	<i>including:</i> Mount Sinai Medical Center and Miami Heart Institute	Miami Beach	FL
	●	Memorial Regional Hospital South	Hollywood	FL
		North Broward Medical Center	Deerfield Beach	FL
	●	Northwest Medical Center	Margate	FL
	●	Palm Springs General Hospital	Hialeah	FL
	●	Palmetto General Hospital	Hialeah	FL
		Plantation General Hospital	Plantation	FL
	●	Westchester General Hospital	Miami	FL
		Westside Regional Medical Center	Plantation	FL
Orlando, FL		Florida Hospital Deland	Deland	FL
		Florida Hospital Memorial Medical Center	Daytona Beach	FL
		<i>including:</i> Florida Hospital Oceanside	Ormond Beach	FL
		Halifax Health - Medical Center of Daytona Beach	Daytona Beach	FL
		<i>including:</i> Atlantic Medical Center	Daytona Beach	FL
		Halifax MC - Port Orange	Port Orange	FL
	●	Munroe Regional Medical Center	Ocala	FL
	●	Osceola Regional Medical Center	Kissimmee	FL
	Parrish Medical Center	Titusville	FL	
	The Villages Regional Hospital	The Villages	FL	
Panama City, FL		Bay Medical Center	Panama City	FL
		Gulf Coast Medical Center	Panama City	FL
		Jackson Hospital	Marianna	FL
		Sacred Heart Hospital On the Emerald Coast	Miramar Beach	FL
Tampa, FL		Bartow Regional Medical Center	Bartow	FL
		Brooksville Regional Hospital	Brooksville	FL
		<i>including:</i> Spring Hill Regional Hospital	Spring Hill	FL
	●	Helen Ellis Memorial Hospital	Tarpon Springs	FL
		Lakewood Ranch Medical Center	Bradenton	FL
	●	Largo Medical Center	Largo	FL
	●	<i>including:</i> Largo Medical Center - Indian Rocks Campus	Largo	FL
		Pasco Regional Medical Center	Dade City	FL
		Seven Rivers Regional Medical Center	Crystal River	FL
	●	Venice Regional Medical Center	Venice	FL

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W. Palm Beach, FL	●	Martin Memorial Medical Center	Stuart	FL
	●	<i>including:</i> Martin Memorial Hospital South	Stuart	FL
		St. Lucie Medical Center	Port Saint Lucie	FL
Tallahassee, FL-GA Florida Hospitals		Doctor's Memorial Hospital	Perry	FL
Cedar Rapids, IA	●	Mercy Hospital - Iowa City	Iowa City	IA
	●	Mercy Medical Center - Dubuque	Dubuque	IA
Des Moines-Ames, IA		Marshalltown Medical & Surgical Center	Marshalltown	IA
	●	Mary Greeley Medical Center	Ames	IA
		Trinity Regional Medical Center	Fort Dodge	IA
		Wright Medical Center	Clarion	IA
Sioux City, IA		Spencer Municipal Hospital	Spencer	IA
Springfield-Holyoke, MA		Baystate Franklin Medical Center	Greenfield	MA
		Cooley Dickinson Hospital	Northampton	MA
Boston, MA-NH Massachusetts Hospitals		Emerson Hospital	Concord	MA
	●	Good Samaritan Medical Center	Brockton	MA
		Health Alliance Hospital Burbank	Fitchburg	MA
		<i>including:</i> Health Alliance Hospital Leominster	Leominster	MA
		Holy Family Hospital and Medical Center	Methuen	MA
		Jordan Hospital	Plymouth	MA
		Lowell General Hospital	Lowell	MA
		Newton - Wellesley Hospital	Newton	MA
		Quincy Medical Center	Quincy	MA
		Saint Elizabeth's Medical Center	Boston	MA
Baltimore, MD	●	Anne Arundel Medical Center	Annapolis	MD
		Baltimore Washington Medical Center	Glen Burnie	MD
		Harbor Hospital	Baltimore	MD
Bangor, ME		Blue Hill Memorial Hospital	Blue Hill	ME
		Calais Regional Hospital	Calais	ME
		Maine Coast Memorial Hospital	Ellsworth	ME
		Penobscot Valley Hospital	Lincoln	ME
		Saint Joseph Hospital	Bangor	ME
	●	Waldo County General Hospital	Belfast	ME
Portland-Auburn, ME		Bridgton Hospital	Bridgton	ME
	●	Central Maine Medical Center	Lewiston	ME
Rochester, MN-IA Iowa Hospitals	●	Mercy Medical Center - North Iowa	Mason City	IA
Omaha, NE Iowa Hospitals		Alegent Health Mercy Hospital	Council Bluffs	IA
		Jennie Edmundson Hospital	Council Bluffs	IA
		Shenandoah Medical Center	Shenandoah	IA

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Albuquerque-Santa Fe, NM Colorado Hospitals	•	Mercy Regional Medical Center	Durango	CO
Las Vegas, NV		North Vista Hospital	North Las Vegas	NV
		Southern Hills Hospital and Medical Center	Las Vegas	NV
Reno, NV		Renown Regional Medical Center	Reno	NV
Albany, NY		Albany Medical Center Hospital	Albany	NY
		Ellis Hospital	Schenectady	NY
		<i>including:</i> Bellevue Woman's Hospital	Niskayuna	NY
		Ellis Hospital - McClellan	Schenectady	NY
		Glens Falls Hospital	Glens Falls	NY
	•	Saint Peter's Hospital	Albany	NY
	Samaritan Hospital	Troy	NY	
Binghamton, NY		Our Lady of Lourdes Memorial Hospital	Binghamton	NY
Buffalo, NY Pennsylvania Hospitals	•	Bradford Regional Medical Center	Bradford	PA
		Charles Cole Memorial Hospital	Coudersport	PA
Buffalo, NY New York Hospitals	•	Brooks Memorial Hospital	Dunkirk	NY
	•	Eastern Niagara Health System	Lockport	NY
	•	<i>including:</i> Inter - Community Memorial Hospital at Newfane	Newfane	NY
		Mercy Hospital	Buffalo	NY
		Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center	Niagara Falls	NY
	•	Olean General Hospital	Olean	NY
		United Memorial Medical Center	Batavia	NY
Elmira, NY		Corning Hospital	Corning	NY
New York, NY New Jersey Hospitals		Chilton Hospital	Pompton Plains	NJ
		Christ Hospital	Jersey City	NJ
	•	Community Medical Center	Toms River	NJ
	•	Hoboken University Medical Center	Hoboken	NJ
		Holy Name Medical Center	Teaneck	NJ
	•	Hunterdon Medical Center	Flemington	NJ
		Kimball Medical Center	Lakewood	NJ
		Libertyhealth - Meadowlands Hospital	Secaucus	NJ
		Monmouth Medical Center	Long Branch	NJ
		Morristown Memorial Hospital	Morristown	NJ
		Newark Beth Israel Medical Center	Newark	NJ
		Newton Memorial Hospital	Newton	NJ
		Overlook Hospital	Summit	NJ
		Palisades Medical Center - New York Presbyterian Healthcare System	North Bergen	NJ
	•	Saint Joseph's Regional Medical Center	Paterson	NJ

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New York, NY New Jersey Hospitals <i>continued</i>		Saint Michael's Medical Center	Newark	NJ
		<i>including:</i> Saint Michael's Medical Center - Saint James Campus	Newark	NJ
	●	Saint Peter's University Hospital	New Brunswick	NJ
	●	Somerset Medical Center	Somerville	NJ
	●	Trinitas Regional Medical Center	Elizabeth	NJ
	Valley Hospital	Ridgewood	NJ	
New York, NY New York Hospitals		Bon Secours Community Hospital	Port Jervis	NY
		Bon Secours St. Anthony Community Hospital	Warwick	NY
		Bronx - Lebanon Hospital Center	Bronx	NY
		<i>including:</i> Bronx-Lebanon--Concourse Division	Bronx	NY
	●	Brooklyn Hospital Center at Downtown	Brooklyn	NY
		Coney Island Hospital	Brooklyn	NY
	●	Flushing Hospital Medical Center	Flushing	NY
		Franklin Hospital	Valley Stream	NY
	●	Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center	West Islip	NY
		Hudson Valley Hospital Center	Cortlandt Manor	NY
		Huntington Hospital	Huntington	NY
	●	Lawrence Hospital Center	Bronxville	NY
	●	Lutheran Medical Center	Brooklyn	NY
		Maimonides Medical Center	Brooklyn	NY
		Mercy Medical Center	Rockville Centre	NY
	●	Mount Vernon Hospital	Mount Vernon	NY
	●	New York Downtown Hospital	New York	NY
	●	New York Westchester Square Medical Center	Bronx	NY
		Orange Regional Medical Center	Goshen	NY
		<i>including:</i> Horton Memorial Hospital	Middletown	NY
		Phelps Memorial Hospital Association	Sleepy Hollow	NY
		Plainview Hospital	Plainview	NY
	●	Richmond University Medical Center	Staten Island	NY
		Saint Catherine of Siena Medical Center	Smithtown	NY
		Saint Joseph's Medical Center	Yonkers	NY
		Southampton Hospital	Southampton	NY
	●	Southside Hospital	Bay Shore	NY
	Staten Island University Hospital	Staten Island	NY	
	White Plains Hospital Center	White Plains	NY	
●	Winthrop - University Hospital	Mineola	NY	
●	Woodhull Medical and Mental Health Center	Brooklyn	NY	
●	Wyckoff Heights Medical Center	Brooklyn	NY	

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Rochester, NY		Lakeside Memorial Hospital	Brockport	NY
		Newark - Wayne Community Hospital	Newark	NY
		Nicholas H. Noyes Memorial Hospital	Dansville	NY
		Unity Hospital	Rochester	NY
Syracuse, NY		Oneida Healthcare Center	Oneida	NY
	●	Rome Memorial Hospital	Rome	NY
Utica, NY		Bassett Medical Center	Cooperstown	NY
Watertown, NY		Samaritan Medical Center	Watertown	NY
Medford, OR California Hospitals		Fairchild Medical Center	Yreka	CA
Medford, OR Oregon Hospitals		Rogue Valley Medical Center	Medford	OR
		Three Rivers Community Hospital	Grants Pass	OR
Portland, OR	●	Adventist Medical Center	Portland	OR
		Providence Milwaukie Hospital	Milwaukie	OR
		Providence Newberg Medical Center	Newberg	OR
		Silverton Hospital	Silverton	OR
Erie, PA		Corry Memorial Hospital	Corry	PA
		Hamot Medical Center	Erie	PA
		Millcreek Community Hospital	Erie	PA
	●	Saint Vincent Health Center	Erie	PA
		Titusville Hospital	Titusville	PA
Harrisburg, PA		Ephrata Community Hospital	Ephrata	PA
	●	Good Samaritan Hospital	Lebanon	PA
	●	Lancaster General Hospital	Lancaster	PA
	●	Lewistown Hospital	Lewistown	PA
		Milton S. Hershey Medical Center	Hershey	PA
Johnstown-Altoona, PA		Brookville Hospital	Brookville	PA
		Clearfield Hospital	Clearfield	PA
		J.C. Blair Memorial Hospital	Huntingdon	PA
		Nason Hospital	Roaring Spring	PA
		UPMC Bedford Memorial	Everett	PA
		Windber Medical Center	Windber	PA
Philadelphia, PA New Jersey Hospitals		AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center – Atlantic City	Atlantic City	NJ
		<i>including:</i> AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center - Mainland	Pomona	NJ
	●	Kennedy Memorial Hospitals - Stratford	Stratford	NJ
	●	<i>including:</i> Kennedy Memorial Hospitals - Cherry Hill Division	Cherry Hill	NJ
		Memorial Hospital of Salem County	Salem	NJ
		Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital Hamilton	Hamilton	NJ

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Philadelphia, PA Pennsylvania Hospitals		Bryn Mawr Hospital	Bryn Mawr	PA
		Delaware County Memorial Hospital	Drexel Hill	PA
		Lower Bucks Hospital	Bristol	PA
	●	Pottstown Memorial Medical Center	Pottstown	PA
		Saint Luke's Quakertown Hospital	Quakertown	PA
		Surgical Institute of Reading	Wyomissing	PA
	●	The Reading Hospital and Medical Center	Reading	PA
		Thomas Jefferson University Hospital - Center City Campus	Philadelphia	PA
		<i>including:</i> Methodist Hospital	Philadelphia	PA
Pittsburgh, PA	●	ACMH Hospital	Kittanning	PA
		Butler Memorial Hospital	Butler	PA
		Excelsa Health Latrobe Hospital	Latrobe	PA
	●	Heritage Valley Sewickley	Sewickley	PA
		Jameson Memorial Hospital	New Castle	PA
	●	Ohio Valley General Hospital	Mc Kees Rocks	PA
		Saint Clair Hospital	Pittsburgh	PA
		Southwest Regional Medical Center	Waynesburg	PA
		The Washington Hospital	Washington	PA
		Uniontown Hospital	Uniontown	PA
		Westmoreland Hospital	Greensburg	PA
	<i>including:</i> Westmoreland Hospital at Jeannette	Jeannette	PA	
Wilkes Barre, PA	●	Evangelical Community Hospital	Lewisburg	PA
		Lock Haven Hospital	Lock Haven	PA
		Robert Packer Hospital	Sayre	PA
	●	Schuylkill Medical Center South Jackson Street	Pottsville	PA
		Williamsport Hospital & Medical Center	Williamsport	PA
Providence, RI-MA Rhode Island Hospitals		South County Hospital	Wakefield	RI
Amarillo, TX		Baptist Saint Anthony's Health System	Amarillo	TX
	●	Physicians Surgical Hospital at Quail Creek	Amarillo	TX
Austin, TX	●	St. David's Medical Center	Austin	TX
	●	<i>including:</i> St. David's Georgetown Hospital	Georgetown	TX
Beaumont-Port Arthur, TX	●	Baptist Beaumont Hospital	Beaumont	TX
		CHRISTUS Saint Elizabeth Hospital	Beaumont	TX
Corpus Christi, TX		CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Beeville	Beeville	TX
	●	CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi - Memorial	Corpus Christi	TX
	●	<i>including:</i> CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi - Shoreline	Corpus Christi	TX
	●	CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi - South	Corpus Christi	TX
	●	The Corpus Christi Medical Center	Corpus Christi	TX
	●	<i>including:</i> Corpus Christi Medical Center - Northwest	Corpus Christi	TX

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Dallas-Ft. Worth, TX		Baylor Medical Center at Garland	Garland	TX
		Baylor Surgical Hospital at Fort Worth	Fort Worth	TX
		Baylor University Medical Center	Dallas	TX
	●	Dallas Regional Medical Center	Mesquite	TX
		JPS Health Network	Fort Worth	TX
		Medical Center of McKinney	McKinney	TX
		Methodist Charlton Medical Center	Dallas	TX
		Methodist Dallas Medical Center	Dallas	TX
		North Texas Hospital	Denton	TX
	●	Palo Pinto General Hospital	Mineral Wells	TX
		Southwest Surgical Hospital	Hurst	TX
	●	Texas Health Center for Diagnostics and Surgery Plan	Plano	TX
		Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Fort Worth	Fort Worth	TX
		Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital Southlake	Southlake	TX
	●	Texas Health Harris Methodist Hurst - Euless - Bedford	Bedford	TX
	●	Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas	Dallas	TX
	●	Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital of Plano	Plano	TX
●	USMD Hospital at Arlington L.P.	Arlington	TX	
Harlingen, TX	●	Brownsville Doctors Hospital	Brownsville	TX
	●	Doctors Hospital at Renaissance	Edinburg	TX
		Harlingen Medical Center	Harlingen	TX
		Knapp Medical Center	Weslaco	TX
		Mission Regional Medical Center	Mission	TX
	●	Valley Baptist Medical Center	Harlingen	TX
	●	Valley Baptist Medical Center - Brownsville	Brownsville	TX
	●	Valley Regional Medical Center	Brownsville	TX
Houston, TX	●	Bayshore Medical Center	Pasadena	TX
	●	<i>including:</i> East Houston Regional Medical Center	Houston	TX
		CHRISTUS Saint Catherine Hospital	Katy	TX
	●	Clear Lake Regional Medical Center	Webster	TX
		Cleveland Regional Medical Center	Cleveland	TX
		Conroe Regional Medical Center	Conroe	TX
		Doctors Hospital Tidwell	Houston	TX
		Kingwood Medical Center	Kingwood	TX
	●	Memorial Hermann Healthcare System - Southwest	Houston	TX
	●	<i>including:</i> Memorial Hermann Northwest Hospital	Houston	TX
	●	Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital	Houston	TX
	●	Memorial Hermann The Woodlands Hospital	The Woodlands	TX
●	Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital	Katy	TX	
	Memorial Hermann Memorial City Medical Center	Houston	TX	

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Houston, TX <i>continued</i>	●	Methodist Sugar Land Hospital	Sugar Land	TX
		Methodist Willowbrook Hospital	Houston	TX
	●	North Cypress Medical Center	Cypress	TX
		Oakbend Medical Center	Richmond	TX
		Park Plaza Hospital and Medical Center	Houston	TX
		Patients Medical Center Ltd	Pasadena	TX
		Saint Luke's Sugar Land Hospital	Sugar Land	TX
		Spring Branch Medical Center	Houston	TX
		St. Luke's The Woodlands Hospital	The Woodlands	TX
		The Womans Hospital of Texas	Houston	TX
	Tomball Regional Medical Center	Tomball	TX	
Tops Surgical Specialty Hospital	Houston	TX		
Laredo, TX		Doctors Hospital of Laredo	Laredo	TX
		Laredo Medical Center	Laredo	TX
Lubbock, TX		Covenant Hospital Plainview	Plainview	TX
Odessa-Midland, TX		Midland Memorial Hospital	Midland	TX
San Antonio, TX		Fort Duncan Regional Medical Center	Eagle Pass	TX
		Guadalupe Regional Medical Center	Seguin	TX
		Methodist Hospital	San Antonio	TX
		<i>including:</i> Methodist Womens and Childrens Hospital	San Antonio	TX
		Metropolitan Methodist Hospital	San Antonio	TX
		Northeast Methodist Hospital	San Antonio	TX
		Peterson Regional Medical Center	Kerrville	TX
Val Verde Regional Medical Center	Del Rio	TX		
Tyler-Longview, TX		East Texas Medical Center Crockett	Crockett	TX
		East Texas Medical Center Jacksonville	Jacksonville	TX
		● Good Shepherd Medical Center	Longview	TX
		Longview Regional Medical Center	Longview	TX
		Memorial Health System of East Texas - Lufkin	Lufkin	TX
		Mother Frances Hospital - Jacksonville	Jacksonville	TX
		Nacogdoches Medical Center	Nacogdoches	TX
Victoria, TX	●	Citizens Medical Center	Victoria	TX
Waco-Temple-Bryan, TX	●	Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center	Waco	TX
		Providence Healthcare Network	Waco	TX
		The Physicians Centre Hospital	Bryan	TX
El Paso, TX-NM Texas Hospitals	●	Del Sol Medical Center	El Paso	TX
		Las Palmas Medical Center	El Paso	TX
		Sierra Medical Center	El Paso	TX
		Sierra Providence East Medical Center	El Paso	TX
		University Medical Center of El Paso	El Paso	TX

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Sherman-Ada, TX-OK Texas Hospitals		Texoma Medical Center	Denison	TX
Salt Lake City, UT		Alta View Hospital	Sandy	UT
		Sevier Valley Medical Center	Richfield	UT
Harrisonburg, VA		Augusta Health	Fishersville	VA
Norfolk, VA		Bon Secours - Maryview Medical Center	Portsmouth	VA
	•	Sentara Leigh Hospital	Norfolk	VA
		Southampton Memorial Hospital	Franklin	VA
Richmond-Petersburg, VA		Bon Secours St. Mary's Hospital	Richmond	VA
		CJW Medical Center - Chippenham	Richmond	VA
		<i>including:</i> CJW Medical Center - Johnston Willis	Richmond	VA
		Southern Virginia Regional Medical Center	Emporia	VA
	•	Southside Community Hospital	Farmville	VA
	•	Southside Regional Medical Center	Petersburg	VA
Roanoke-Lynchburg, VA		LewisGale Hospital - Alleghany	Low Moor	VA
	•	Lynchburg General Hospital	Lynchburg	VA
Seattle-Tacoma, WA	•	Capital Medical Center	Olympia	WA
		Evergreen Hospital Medical Center	Kirkland	WA
		Good Samaritan Hospital and Rehabilitation Center	Puyallup	WA
		Overlake Hospital Medical Center	Bellevue	WA
	•	Skagit Valley Hospital	Mount Vernon	WA
	Valley Medical Center	Renton	WA	
Spokane, WA		Providence Mount Carmel Hospital	Colville	WA
		Whitman Hospital and Medical Center	Colfax	WA
Yakima, WA		Lourdes Medical Center	Pasco	WA
		Yakima Regional Medical & Cardiac Center	Yakima	WA
Green Bay-Appleton, WI		Holy Family Memorial	Manitowoc	WI
	•	Saint Agnes Hospital	Fond Du Lac	WI
	•	Saint Vincent Hospital	Green Bay	WI
La Crosse-Eau Claire, WI		Franciscan Skemp Arcadia	Arcadia	WI
	•	Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center	La Crosse	WI
		Oakleaf Surgical Hospital	Eau Claire	WI
Madison, WI		Monroe Clinic	Monroe	WI
Milwaukee, WI		Columbia St. Mary's Hospital Ozaukee	Mequon	WI
		Saint Joseph's Community Hospital West Bend	West Bend	WI
		Wheaton Franciscan - Saint Joseph	Milwaukee	WI
		<i>including:</i> Lakeview Hospital	Milwaukee	WI
	Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare - Saint Francis	Milwaukee	WI	

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Wausau-Rhineland, WI		Aspirus Wausau Hospital	Wausau	WI
		Langlade Hospital	Antigo	WI
		Ministry Saint Michael's Hospital	Stevens Point	WI
		Saint Marys Hospital	Rhineland	WI
Bluefield, WV Virginia Hospitals		Clinch Valley Medical Center	Richlands	VA

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