

UW Health: University Hospital's gynecology department earns top 10 spot in national rankings

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Hospital named number one hospital in Wisconsin

Madison, WI – Gynecology at University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics is ranked tenth in the nation in the 2018-19 *Best Hospitals* report by *U.S. News and World Report*.

It is the first time a medical or surgical specialty at UW Hospital and Clinics has been ranked in the top 10.

“To be in the top 50 hospitals means that you are ranked in the top one percent in those specialties,” said Dr. Alan Kaplan, president and CEO of UW Health. “And it is especially gratifying to see that gynecology’s steady rise in the rankings has brought it to the top 10. Congratulations to everyone who contributed to this recognition.”

The hospital ranked in the top 50 in 10 of 16 medical and surgical specialties and retained its position as the number one hospital in Wisconsin.

UW Hospital and Clinics is nationally ranked in the following specialties:

- Gynecology (10)
- Cancer (43)
- Cardiology and Heart Surgery (48)

- Gastroenterology and GI Surgery (42)
- Geriatrics (27)
- Nephrology (30)
- Neurology and Neurosurgery (49)
- Orthopedics (45)
- Pulmonology (29)
- Urology (21)

In addition to the top 50 rankings, UW Hospital was ranked as high-performing in Diabetes and Endocrinology. High-performing hospitals are those in the top 25 percent within a given specialty.

More than 4500 hospitals were surveyed. Only 158 ranked in at least one specialty. Measurements include the use of advanced technologies, patient volume, nursing intensity and a high-level trauma center. UW Hospital is a Level I trauma center for adults and children.

Four specialties were ranked by reputation alone.

UW Hospital and Clinics, with 505 beds, is part of the UW Health system which also includes American Family Children's Hospital; the UW Medical Foundation (physicians' group); the Carbone Cancer Center and six regional cancer centers; SwedishAmerican in Rockford and Belvidere, Illinois; the UW Health Rehabilitation Hospital, UW Health at The American Center and UnityPoint Health-Meriter.