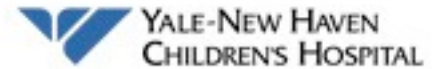


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Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital specialties are recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* *Diabetes and endocrine service ranked 3rd in the nation*

New Haven, CT, June 5, 2012 - Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital (YNHCH) has been ranked among the best in the nation for seven of its pediatric subspecialties in the 2012-13 Best Children's Hospitals rankings, published online by *U.S. News & World Report*. YNHCH ranked in diabetes and endocrinology (#3); gastroenterology (#22); neonatology (#47); nephrology (#40); orthopedics (#42); pulmonology (#19); and urology (#18).

"We are honored to have so many of our children's hospital specialties ranked among the best in the United States. We are especially proud that our diabetes and endocrinology program is among the top three nationally," said Clifford W. Bogue, MD, physician-in-chief at YNHCH, and interim chair of pediatrics at Yale School of Medicine. "This recognition offers families of sick children a level of reassurance as well as unparalleled information about the quality of care at Yale-New Haven."

This is the fifth consecutive year that Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital has been included in the *U.S. News & World Report* national rankings of pediatric services. YNHCH's seven ranked specialties are up from five ranked specialties in 2011. YNHCH is the only children's hospital in Connecticut to receive this level of recognition.

"We are very proud of these rankings that clearly recognize the growth and evolution of our children's hospital," said Michael G. Caty, MD, surgeon-in-chief at YNHCH, and chief of pediatric surgery at Yale School of Medicine. "The depth and breadth of our expertise across all

the pediatric specialties is significant and becoming more impressive each year, all the while we continue to improve access to our services across the state and region.”

To create the 2012-13 rankings, *U.S. News* polled 178 pediatric hospitals to obtain data such as survival rates, availability of key resources, such as and subspecialists and nurse staffing, and the 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.

Yale-New Haven Children’s Hospital cares for more children than any other hospital in Connecticut and serves as one of the region’s major referral centers for the diagnosis and treatment of a wide range of high-acuity pediatric cases, including diabetes care, complex bone disorders, hematology/oncology disorders, solid organ and stem cell transplantation, and interventional cardiology. YNHCH is also a Level 1 trauma center.

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.

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Yale-New Haven Children’s Hospital (YNHCH) offers Connecticut’s largest and most comprehensive array of pediatric services. With 201 beds, YNHCH includes a newborn special care unit, a pediatric intensive care unit, a 24-hour pediatric emergency department and a pediatric surgery center. YNHCH, with campuses in New Haven and Bridgeport, is part of the nationally recognized Yale-New Haven Hospital, a 1,008-bed not-for-profit teaching hospital affiliated with Yale School of Medicine. YNHCH is accredited by the American Nurses Credentialing Center as a Magnet hospital – national confirmation of outstanding nursing care. www.ynhch.org