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## **Children's Mercy Ranked Among the Best Pediatric Hospitals Honored by U.S. News & World Report's 2010 "America's Best Children's Hospitals"**

**Kansas City, Mo – June 3, 2010** – Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics ranks among the nation's top pediatric hospitals for the third time, according to *U.S. News & World Report's* 2010 "America's Best Children's Hospitals." The listing is published online at [usnews.com/childrenshospitals](http://usnews.com/childrenshospitals), and featured in the magazine's August issue, available on newsstands starting July 27.

The America's Best Children's Hospitals includes the top 30 pediatric hospitals in 10 major subspecialties. Children's Mercy ranked in five subspecialties (No. 13) [Kidney](#), (No. 25) [Diabetes & Endocrine Disorders](#), (No. 25) [Orthopedics](#), (No. 25) [Urology](#), and (No. 28) [Gastroenterology](#).

The methodology behind this year's rankings weighed reputation, medical outcomes, and care-related indicators of quality. The survey was conducted with the assistance of the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI), and most of the pediatric centers surveyed were NACHRI member organizations.

"We are proud to be distinguished as one of the best children's hospitals in the nation," says Children's Mercy president and CEO Randall L. O'Donnell, PhD. "This honor reinforces the commitment of our entire staff to provide the finest medical care to children everywhere."

### **About Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics**

Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics, located in Kansas City, Mo., is one of the nation's top pediatric medical centers. The 314-bed hospital provides care for children from birth through the age of 18, and has been recognized by the American Nurses Credentialing Center with Magnet designation for excellence in nursing services, and ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as one of "America's Best Children's Hospitals." Its faculty of 600 pediatricians and researchers across more than [40 subspecialties](#) are actively involved in clinical care, pediatric research, and educating the next generation of pediatric subspecialists. For more information about Children's Mercy and its research, visit [childrensmercy.org](http://childrensmercy.org). For breaking news and videos, follow us on [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) and [Facebook](#).

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