What's Happening

A newsletter for the Maine Medical Center family

U.S. News & World Report Names MMC 'Best Regional Hospital' For A Fifth Straight Year

U.S. News & World Report has named Maine Medical Center a "Best Regional Hospital" for the fifth consecutive year. MMC also is just one of 48 hospitals out of 4,500 nationwide and the only hospital in Maine that was recognized as "high performing" in all nine procedures and conditions included in the 2017-2018 survey of U.S. hospitals.

"This recognition by *U.S.*News & World Report reflects the high-quality services we provide patients every day,"

said MMC President and CEO Richard Petersen. "Achievements like this wouldn't be possible without the dedication and diverse talents of our providers, nurses and entire care team."

U.S. News created the Best Regional Hospitals survey in 2011 to provide consumers who want to stay close to home with a way to assess the overall care at hospitals in their areas. Barely 10 percent of hospitals can call themselves a Best Regional Hospital. *U.S. News* also rated MMC as "high performing" in these nine common procedures and conditions:

- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Repair
- Aortic Valve Surgery
- Colon Cancer Surgery
- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
- Heart Bypass Surgery
- Congestive Heart Failure

- Hip Replacement
- Knee Replacement
- Lung Cancer Surgery

U.S. News rated the performance of more than 4,500 hospitals from high performing to below average in those procedures and conditions to help consumers find good sources of local care.



Congratulations

Maine Medical Center has been named a Best Regional Hospital for the 5th year in a row

This continued recognition demonstrates our employees' commitment to quality care on behalf of our patients.

Maine Medical Center has achieved High Performing status by U.S. News & World Report in 9 out of 9 categories.

- Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Repair
- Aortic Valve Surgery
- Colon Cancer Surgery

- COPD
- Heart Bypass Surgery
- Heart Failure
- Hip Replacement
- Knee Replacement
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Slime Time At The Barbara Bush Children's Hospital!

Kids at the Barbara Bush Children's Hospital showed their deep appreciation for those caring for them by... coating them in slime!

The kids voted for who they most wanted to slime, and Child Life Specialist Jaime McCaffrey and Aaron Weiss, D.O., received the honors. 10-year-old Ava Winslow, who made the slime, and 4-year-old Haley Thiboutot got to tip the buckets.

This was all part of Camp Week at BBCH. Patients also enjoyed relay races, nerf archery, jewelry making, music by the "campfire" and s'mores, among other activities.







People News



Joshua Keller, M.D., has joined Maine Medical Partners – Hospital Medicine. He will also support at Stephens Memorial Hospital. Dr. Keller completed his residency at Maine Medical Center. He received his medical degree from SUNY Upstate Medical University at Syracuse. In his free time, he enjoys cooking, hiking and fishing.

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