

12 NYU Specialties Among Nation's Best in U.S. News Survey



In this year's survey of "The Best Hospitals in America" by *U.S. News & World Report*, NYU Medical Center scored high, doubling the number of its specialty areas that were

ranked among the 16 medical specialties surveyed. This year, 12 specialty areas were ranked—six more than last year. For the first time, NYU's Heart & Heart Surgery programs made the list, ranking 13 out of 50.

This year was also a first for four other NYU programs: Digestive Disorders (34), Endocrinology (28), Kidney Disease (37), and Respiratory Disorders (22). Two other NYU specialties rejoined the list: Urology (21) and Geriatrics (18), which was not a category last year.

Since last year, the Medical Center also improved its rankings in three specialties: Orthopedics, leaping four places to 10; Psychiatry, advancing two places to 16, and Rehabilitation Medicine, stepping one

U.S. NEWS RANKINGS		Rank
Specialty	2007	2006
Heart & Heart Surgery	13	0
Orthopedics	10	14
Psychiatry	16	18
Rehabilitation Medicine	7	8
Neurology/Neurosurgery	11	11
Rheumatology	11	11
Digestive Disorders	34	0
Endocrinology	28	0
Kidney Disease	37	0
Respiratory Disorders	22	0
Urology	21	0
Geriatrics	18	NA

place ahead to 7. Neurology/Neurosurgery and Rheumatology both had strong results, each holding firm at last year's rank of 11.

To qualify as one of the 50 Best, a hospital must meet rigorous standards. Only 173 hospitals nationwide made it into this year's rankings out of 5,463 hospitals in the U.S. that were evaluated (military and veterans hospitals are not included). For each of the 16 specialties, a randomized sample of board-certified specialists was selected from the American Medical Association's master file of more than 850,000 doctors. These physicians were asked to list the five hospitals they think are the best in their specialty. In New York City, NYU Medical Center ranked second only to the combined New York-Presbyterian Hospitals. ●

Rusk Institute has ranked among the nation's top 10 centers for rehabilitation medicine 18 years in a row.