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Atlantic Health System's Morristown Medical Center Ranked Number One Hospital in New Jersey for the Fourth Year in a Row by *U.S. News & World Report*

Overlook Medical Center Jumps to the Number Four Hospital in New Jersey

Morristown, NJ, July 27, 2021 – Atlantic Health System announced today that [Morristown Medical Center](#) was ranked **the number one hospital in New Jersey** for the **fourth year** in a row by *U.S. News & World Report* in its [2021-2022 Best Hospital](#) rankings. The medical center is one of the top acute care hospitals in New Jersey to be nationally ranked, and among the 50 best hospitals in the nation for Gynecology (#28), Orthopedics (#30), and Cardiology & Heart Surgery (#42). In addition, Morristown Medical Center was ranked the number seven hospital in the New York Metro area, moving up from number eight last year.

These recognitions are among the dozens of *U.S. News & World Report* honors earned by all Atlantic Health System medical centers this year.

Atlantic Health System's [Overlook Medical Center](#) made significant advances this year, rising to the **number four hospital in New Jersey** from #12 last year and is ranked #18 in the New York Metro area. Atlantic Health System's [Chilton Medical Center](#) was recognized as **high-performing in five areas**: Orthopedics, Heart Failure, COPD, Kidney Failure and Stroke. [Newton Medical Center](#) was recognized as **high-performing in four areas**: COPD, Heart Failure, Kidney Failure and Stroke. [Hackettstown Medical Center](#) received **two high-performing ratings**: Kidney Failure and Stroke.

Morristown Medical Center was also recognized as high-performing in 16 common adult procedures and conditions: Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Repair, Aortic Valve Surgery, Back Surgery, COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), Colon Cancer Surgery, Diabetes, Heart Attack, Heart Bypass Surgery, Heart Failure, Hip Replacement, Kidney Failure, Knee Replacement, Lung Cancer Surgery, Pneumonia, Stroke and TAVR (transcatheter aortic valve replacement). It was also recognized as a high-performing hospital in four specialties: Gastroenterology & GI Surgery, Geriatrics, Pulmonology & Lung Surgery and Urology.

"This most prestigious national recognition is a testament to the extraordinary dedication and commitment to excellence from our medical, clinical and support teams to consistently provide exceptional care to bring about the best-possible patient outcomes," said [Trish O'Keefe](#), PhD, RN, President, Morristown Medical Center. "To be number one in the state once again validates our advancements in clinical innovation coupled with our strong collaboration among the teams resulting in high-quality care for our patients. No

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matter what comes our way, our communities know that they can count on us to provide the best possible care and exceptional resources to keep them healthy. We are ecstatic to be recognized for our steadfast efforts to earn this distinction.”

Additionally, *U.S. News & World Report* this year recognized Overlook as high-performing in a total of eight common adult procedures and conditions: COPD, Colon Cancer Surgery, Diabetes, Heart Attack, Heart Failure, Kidney Failure, Knee Replacement and Stroke. Overlook is also high-performing in three specialties: Neurology and Neurosurgery, Orthopedics and Urology.

“To receive these accolades after a year unlike any other shows the incredible talent and resilience of our nurses, doctors and caregivers,” said [Brian Gragnolati](#), President and CEO, Atlantic Health System. “Congratulations and thank you to every member of our amazing team. Your tireless commitment to our patients and communities is the driving force behind the extraordinary care provided by Atlantic Health System.”

The annual Best Hospitals ranking and ratings are designed to assist patients and their doctors in making informed decisions about where to receive care for challenging health conditions or for common elective procedures. The *U.S. News Best Hospitals* methodologies in most areas of care are based largely on objective measures such as risk-adjusted survival and discharge-to-home rates, volume, and quality of nursing, among other care-related indicators.

For the 2021-2022 rankings, *U.S. News* evaluated more than 4,750 medical centers nationwide in 15 specialties and 17 procedures and conditions. In the 15 specialty areas, 175 hospitals were ranked in at least one specialty. In rankings by state and metro area, *U.S. News* recognized hospitals as high-performing across multiple areas of care.

“For over 30 years, *U.S. News* has strived to make hospital quality more transparent to healthcare consumers nationwide,” said Ben Harder, managing editor and chief of health analysis at *U.S. News*. “By providing the most comprehensive data available on nearly every hospital across the United States, we give patients, families and physicians information to support their search for the best care across a range of procedures, conditions and specialties.”

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About Atlantic Health System

Atlantic Health System is at the forefront of medicine, setting standards for quality health care in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and the New York metropolitan area. Powered by a workforce of more than 18,000 team members and 4,800 affiliated physicians dedicated to building healthier communities, Atlantic Health System serves more than half of the state of New Jersey including 11 counties and 4.9 million people. The not-for-profit system offers more than 400 sites of care, including seven hospitals: Morristown Medical Center in Morristown, NJ, Overlook Medical Center in Summit, NJ, Newton Medical Center in Newton NJ, Chilton Medical Center in Pompton Plains, NJ, Hackettstown Medical Center in Hackettstown, NJ, Goryeb Children's Hospital in Morristown, NJ, and Atlantic Rehabilitation Institute in Madison, NJ.

Atlantic Medical Group, comprised of 1,000 physicians and advanced practice providers, represents one of the largest multi-specialty practices in New Jersey and joins Atlantic Accountable Care Organization and Optimus Healthcare Partners as part of Atlantic Alliance, a Clinically Integrated Network of more than 2,500 health care providers throughout northern and central NJ.

Atlantic Health System provides care for the full continuum of health care needs through 16 urgent care centers, Atlantic Visiting Nurse and Atlantic Anywhere Virtual Visits. Facilitating the connection between these services on both land and air is the transportation fleet of Atlantic Mobile Health.

Atlantic Health System leads the Healthcare Transformation Consortium, a partnership of seven regional hospitals and health systems dedicated to improving access and affordability and is a founding member of the PIER Consortium – Partners in Innovation, Education, and Research – a streamlined clinical trial system that will expand access to groundbreaking research across five health systems in the region.

Atlantic Health System has a medical school affiliation with Thomas Jefferson University and is home to the regional campus of the Sidney Kimmel Medical College at Morristown and Overlook Medical Centers and is the official health care partner of the New York Jets.

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