

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Member hospitals honored for overall performance

Twenty-five facilities named in 100 Top Hospitals study

Reducing healthcare costs. Improving healthcare quality.

That's what Amerinet does every day for its 33,000 member organizations nationwide. Through its Total Spend Management Solutions, Amerinet touches every aspect of a healthcare setting to help providers optimize their resources and achieve their objectives.

And one of the most respected barometers of reaching goals and achieving success in healthcare is the annual Thomson Reuters' 100 Top Hospitals study, which examines changing performance levels in U.S. hospitals and objectively identifies 100 benchmark hospitals based on their overall organizational performance.

This year's 15th annual study included 25 Amerinet member hospitals. Each of the five categories featured at least three hospitals from Amerinet's more than 2,400 acute care organizations.

"Amerinet congratulates these facilities for being recognized for their commitment to excellence," said Todd C. Ebert, president and chief executive officer of Amerinet. "We understand the important place that quality occupies for our members and are privileged to provide the resources that enable these hospitals to meet the unique needs of their communities. We take great pride in the achievements of our member facilities."

The study ranks hospitals based on their performance in nine key clinical and financial areas —mortality, medical complications, patient safety, average length of stay, expenses, profitability, cash-to-debt ratio, patient satisfaction and adherence to clinical standards of care. A total of 3,000 hospitals were included in this year's study.

Three of the Amerinet member facilities honored – Western Pennsylvania Hospital in Pittsburgh, Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre, Pa., and Silver Cross Hospital in Joliet, Ill. – also were recognized for delivering the greatest rate of improvement over a five-year period.

By category, the Amerinet member facilities honored were:

Major Teaching Hospitals

- Northwestern Memorial Hospital – Chicago
- NorthShore University HealthSystem – Evanston, Ill.
- Advocate Lutheran General Hospital – Park Ridge, Ill.
- Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center – Boston
- Western Pennsylvania Hospital – Pittsburgh
- University of Virginia Medical Center – Charlottesville, Va.

Teaching Hospitals (200 or more acute-care beds)

- Union Memorial Hospital – Baltimore
- MidMichigan Medical Center-Midland – Midland, Mich.
- Riverside Methodist Hospital – Columbus, Ohio
- Bryn Mawr Hospital – Bryn Mawr, Pa.
- Hamot Medical Center – Erie, Pa.
- Lancaster General Hospital – Lancaster, Pa.
- Robert Packer Hospital – Sayre, Pa.
- Avera McKennan Hospital & University Health System – Sioux Falls, S.D.
- Gundersen Lutheran Health System – LaCrosse, Wis.

Large Community Hospitals (250 or more acute-care beds)

- Silver Cross Hospital – Joliet, Ill.
- Central DuPage Hospital – Winfield, Ill.
- King's Daughters Medical Center – Ashland, Ky.

Medium-size Community Hospitals (100-249 acute-care beds)

- Middlesex Hospital – Middletown, Conn.
- Riverside Medical Center – Kankakee, Ill.
- Marion General Hospital – Marion, Ind.
- Gratiot Medical Center – Alma, Mich.

Small Community Hospitals (25-99 acute-care beds)

- Desert Valley Hospital – Victorville, Calif.
- Major Hospital – Shelbyville, Ind.
- Jamestown Hospital – Jamestown, N.D.