

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Amerinet Members Prominent Among Top 100 IHNs

ProMedica, Intermountain Lead Member Facilities on Annual List

Success ... breeds success.

Two nationally recognized healthcare leaders once again top the list of Amerinet member facilities in the annual rating of the nation's most integrated providers.

ProMedica Health System of Toledo, Ohio, and Intermountain Healthcare of Salt Lake City are ranked second and third, respectively, in SDI's Top 100 Integrated Healthcare Networks, leading a total of 20 Amerinet member facilities on this year's list.

"Amerinet congratulates all of these facilities for being recognized for their commitment to excellence and integrated solutions," said Todd C. Ebert, Amerinet's president and chief executive officer. "Amerinet is privileged to provide the resources that enable these organizations to reduce the cost and improve the quality of the care they provide. We take great pride in the achievements of our member facilities."

Being rated among the most integrated healthcare networks has become an annual honor for ProMedica and Intermountain. ProMedica has been in the top four each of the past six years, including two years at No. 1, while Intermountain has ranked No. 1 five times and was No. 2 on three occasions.

A number of other Amerinet member facilities also are returnees to the SDI list, including:

- MultiCare Health System – seventh consecutive year
- Gundersen Lutheran Health Care Network – sixth consecutive year
- OSF HealthCare – 11th consecutive year
- Geisinger Health System – seventh year on list
- Altru Health System – third time in rankings

The rating system analyzes each IHN's performance level in eight categories, including integration, financial stability, hospital utilization, services and access, and physicians. The eight categories comprise 33 weighted attributes that SDI has determined to be the key indicators for assessing the current and future success of an IHN.

The Amerinet member organizations in the 2009 rankings, along with this year's place:

2. ProMedica Health System – Toledo, Ohio
3. Intermountain Healthcare – Salt Lake City
6. MultiCare Health System – Tacoma, Wash.
10. University Hospitals – Cleveland
20. North Shore – Long Island Jewish Health System – Great Neck, N.Y.
23. Gundersen Lutheran Health Care Network – La Crosse, Wis.
25. OSF HealthCare – Peoria, Ill.
30. OhioHealth – Columbus, Ohio
35. UPMC – Pittsburgh
41. Baylor Health Care System – Dallas
43. Covenant Health – Knoxville, Tenn.
61. Geisinger Health System – Danville, Pa.
65. Lahey Clinic – Burlington, Mass.
74. Fletcher Allen Health Care – Burlington, Vt.
75. WellSpan Health – York, Pa.
82. NorthShore University Health System – Evanston, Ill.
89. Memorial Health System – Springfield, Ill.
94. Lifespan – Providence, R.I.
96. University of Chicago Medical Center – Chicago
97. Altru Health System – Grand Forks, N.D.

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