The annual U.S. News & World Report rankings for Best Children’s Hospitals for 2019–20 were announced today, and we are pleased to share that Johns Hopkins Children’s Center was once again named among the best in the U.S. The Children’s Center is ranked #9 nationally, and it remains the highest-ranked pediatric hospital in Maryland.

This ranking is a testament to the dedication of our exceptional physicians, nurses and staff members. We thank you for your commitment to excellence and for the innovative, compassionate care you deliver every day to our young patients and their families.

As in previous years, our Children’s Center is ranked among the top children’s hospitals in all 10 specialties surveyed by U.S. News & World Report. Eight of our specialties are ranked among the top 20 nationally, with four in the top 10 and one in the top five. Six of our specialties improved their rankings from last year.

In addition, Johns Hopkins All Children’s Hospital in St. Petersburg, Florida, ranked nationally in two specialties: Cancer and Pulmonology. We appreciate the high-quality care that our colleagues there deliver to our pediatric patients.

We also congratulate our peers at Boston Children’s Hospital, which ranked #1 this year. For a complete list of the 2019–20 Best Children’s Hospitals, visit the U.S. News & World Report website at health.usnews.com/best-hospitals/pediatric-rankings.

The pediatric care at Johns Hopkins Children’s Center and Johns Hopkins All Children’s Hospital is among the best in the nation. We want to thank the caregivers and staff members at both hospitals for their commitment to clinical excellence and patient- and family-centered care.

Congratulations, and thank you again for all that you do to care for our young patients and the communities we serve.

Sincerely,

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Johns Hopkins All Children’s Hospital Rankings

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This year, points were given to a hospital based on its rank in each specialty, and the points were totaled. The 10 hospitals with the most points were placed on the Honor Roll, with their ranking determined by their point totals. U.S. News adjusts its methodology each year. In 2019, the organization made a few changes to the measures and weights, such as reducing the weight placed on bloodstream infections and pressure ulcers. More changes are expected in 2020.

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