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Four Shriners Children's Locations Recognized for Excellence in Pediatric Orthopedics by U.S. News & World Report

TAMPA, Florida (June 21, 2023) – Shriners Children's has once again been ranked nationally for pediatric orthopedics in the "[2023-2024 Best Children's Hospitals](#)" rankings published by U.S. News & World Report, the global authority in hospital rankings and consumer advice.

The "Best Children's Hospitals" rankings, which highlight the top 50 centers in 10 pediatric specialties, are designed to help families of children with rare or life-threatening illnesses find the best medical care available.

The following Shriners Children's locations ranked in [pediatric orthopedics](#):

- #13 – Shriners Children's St. Louis
 - (together with St. Louis Children's Hospital – Washington University)
- #20 – Shriners Children's Northern California
 - (together with UC Davis Children's Hospital)
- #42 – Shriners Children's Lexington
 - (together with Kentucky Children's Hospital)
- #43 – Shriners Children's Portland
 - (together with Doernbecher Children's Hospital)

The hospitals were ranked in pediatric orthopedics for treatment of conditions such as scoliosis and spina bifida, and injuries such as complex fractures or other sports injuries. Success with complex fractures, surgical complications and infection prevention accounted for most of each hospital's score.

"We are honored to be recognized as part of the 2023 U.S. News & World Report rankings," said Frances A. Farley, M.D., chief medical officer of Shriners Children's. "This significant accomplishment is a testament to the hard work, expertise and compassionate care provided by our entire staff. Together, we have created a culture of excellence that places our healthcare system at the forefront of pediatric orthopedics. We would like to thank all who participated in the process, and congratulate our ranked pediatric orthopedic programs, along with their affiliates."

To create the pediatric rankings, U.S. News & World Report gathers key clinical data through a detailed survey that looks at measures such as patient safety, infection prevention and adequacy of nurse staffing. In addition, part of each hospital's score is derived from surveys of thousands of pediatric specialists who are asked where they would send the sickest children in their specialty.

This year's rankings will be published in the *U.S. News & World Report's* "Best Hospitals Guidebook," which is expected to be available in stores this fall.

About Shriners Children's

Shriners Children's is a leader in providing care for orthopedic conditions, burn injuries, spinal cord injuries and other spine disorders, rehabilitation, sports injuries and craniofacial conditions. We also offer specialized services, including orthotics and prosthetics, and motion analysis. We strive to provide the care and support our patients need to reach their goals and discover their full potential. In addition, our healthcare system conducts research to improve our patients' quality of life and offers outstanding educational programs for medical professionals. All care and services are provided regardless of the families' ability to pay or insurance status.

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