

# SOUTHWESTERN NEWS

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## UT SOUTHWESTERN PHYSICIANS' WORK RECOGNIZED BY *U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT*

DALLAS – August 23, 2000 – Parkland Health & Hospital System, staffed by UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas physicians, was recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* for having national distinction in eight medical specialties.

No other Texas hospital received recognition in as many specialties, although 11 other Texas facilities also appeared in the rankings.

Parkland is the teaching hospital for UT Southwestern physicians, residents and medical students. The two institutions have been affiliated since the medical school opened in 1943.

UT Southwestern physicians were recognized as the best in the state for their work in digestive disorders, geriatrics, kidney disease, orthopaedics and rheumatology. They also were recognized in gynecology, neurology and urology. The distinctions appeared in the July 17 "America's Best Hospitals" issue of the magazine.

In Dallas Baylor University Medical Center received recognition in four areas, and Methodist Medical Center received recognition for one specialty.

*U.S. News and World Report* analyzed 6,247 medical centers to arrive at the 173 that made the final cut as "America's Best Hospitals." The publication asked 150 board-certified physicians in 17 specialties – 2,250 total – to identify the five best hospitals in their specialty. Besides the physicians' recommendations, mortality and other factors, such as technology and nursing care, determined the rankings.

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