

TOP GEORGIA HOSPITALS

FOR THE SECOND YEAR, *Georgia Trend* is publishing statewide hospital rankings, this time for 17 different categories, including cardiac care, stroke treatment and joint replacement.

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Top Ten in Georgia for Critical Care Services in 2012

1. Piedmont Fayette HospitalFayetteville
2. Athens Regional Medical CenterAthens
3. Northeast Georgia Medical CenterGainesville
4. Gwinnett Medical Center - LawrencevilleLawrenceville
5. WellStar Kennestone HospitalMarietta
6. Piedmont HospitalAtlanta
7. Memorial University Medical CenterSavannah
8. Oconee Regional Medical CenterMilledgeville
9. Houston Medical CenterWarner Robins
10. Hamilton Medical CenterDalton



Top Ten in Georgia for Vascular Services in 2012

1. Medical Center of Central GeorgiaMacon
2. Phoebe Putney Memorial HospitalAlbany
3. Saint Joseph's Hospital - SavannahSavannah
4. Saint Francis HospitalColumbus
5. Northeast Georgia Medical CenterGainesville
6. Emory University Hospital MidtownAtlanta
7. Gwinnett Medical Center - LawrencevilleLawrenceville
8. WellStar Kennestone HospitalMarietta
9. Memorial University Medical CenterSavannah
10. Saint Joseph's Hospital of AtlantaAtlanta

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Outpatient Surgery/Testing

Emergency Services

Plastic Surgery

Highest Patient Safety

Best Community Programs



Top Ten in Georgia for Overall Cardiac Services in 2012

1. Northeast Georgia Medical CenterGainesville
2. Piedmont HospitalAtlanta
3. Emory University Hospital MidtownAtlanta
4. Memorial University Medical CenterSavannah
5. WellStar Kennestone HospitalMarietta
6. Saint Joseph's Hospital of AtlantaAtlanta
7. Athens Regional Medical CenterAthens
8. Emory University HospitalAtlanta
9. Saint Francis HospitalColumbus
10. MCG Health Medical CenterAugusta

Top Ten in Georgia for Cardiac Surgery in 2012

1. Northeast Georgia Medical CenterGainesville
2. Piedmont HospitalAtlanta
3. WellStar Kennestone HospitalMarietta
4. Emory University HospitalAtlanta
5. Saint Joseph's Hospital of AtlantaAtlanta
6. Memorial University Medical CenterSavannah
7. South Georgia Medical CenterValdosta
8. Emory University Hospital MidtownAtlanta
9. MCG Health Medical CenterAugusta
10. Phoebe Putney Memorial HospitalAlbany

Top Ten in Georgia for Cardiology Services in 2012

1. Northeast Georgia Medical CenterGainesville
2. Emory University Hospital MidtownAtlanta
3. Piedmont HospitalAtlanta
4. Memorial University Medical CenterSavannah
5. WellStar Kennestone HospitalMarietta
6. Saint Joseph's Hospital of AtlantaAtlanta
7. Athens Regional Medical CenterAthens
8. Saint Francis HospitalColumbus
9. Emory University HospitalAtlanta
10. University HospitalAugusta

Top Ten in Georgia for Coronary Interventional Procedures in 2012

1. Northeast Georgia Medical CenterGainesville
2. Piedmont HospitalAtlanta
3. Emory University Hospital MidtownAtlanta
4. Piedmont Fayette HospitalFayetteville
5. Floyd Medical CenterRome
6. Saint Joseph's Hospital of AtlantaAtlanta
7. Satilla Regional Medical CenterWaycross
8. Southern Regional Health SystemRiverdale
9. WellStar Kennestone HospitalMarietta
10. Northside Hospital - ForsythCumming

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- #1 in Georgia for Cardiac Surgery
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Top Ten in Georgia for Overall Orthopedic Services in 2012

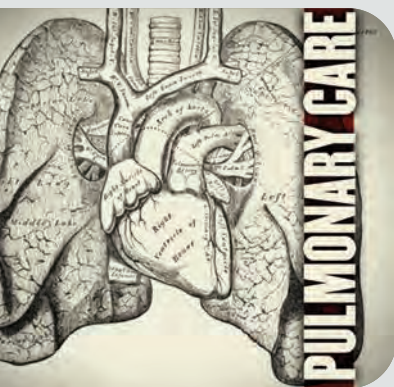
1. Tanner Medical Center - CarrolltonCarrollton
2. Saint Joseph's Hospital - SavannahSavannah
3. Piedmont Fayette HospitalFayetteville
4. Redmond Regional Medical CenterRome
5. University HospitalAugusta
6. Doctors Hospital of AugustaAugusta
7. DeKalb MedicalDecatur
8. Southeast Georgia Health System - BrunswickBrunswick
9. Saint Joseph's Hospital of AtlantaAtlanta
10. Saint Mary's Health Care SystemAthens

Top Ten in Georgia for Joint Replacement in 2012

1. Saint Joseph's Hospital of AtlantaAtlanta
2. Saint Joseph's Hospital - SavannahSavannah
3. Piedmont Fayette HospitalFayetteville
4. Saint Mary's Health Care SystemAthens
5. University HospitalAugusta
6. Tanner Medical Center - CarrolltonCarrollton
7. The Doctors Hospital of TattnallReidsville
8. Trinity Hospital of AugustaAugusta
9. Fannin Regional HospitalBlue Ridge
10. Hughston HospitalColumbus

Top Ten in Georgia for Spine Surgery in 2012

1. Redmond Regional Medical CenterRome
2. University HospitalAugusta
3. Northside HospitalAtlanta
4. South Georgia Medical CenterValdosta
5. Saint Joseph's Hospital - SavannahSavannah
6. Memorial University Medical CenterSavannah
7. DeKalb MedicalDecatur
8. Phoebe Putney Memorial HospitalAlbany
9. Hughston HospitalColumbus
10. Tift Regional Medical CenterTifton



Top Ten in Georgia for Overall Pulmonary Services in 2012

1. Houston Medical CenterWarner Robins
2. Piedmont Fayette HospitalFayetteville
3. Piedmont HospitalAtlanta
4. Northeast Georgia Medical CenterGainesville
5. Perry HospitalPerry
6. Eastside Medical CenterSnellville
7. Candler HospitalSavannah
8. Floyd Medical CenterRome
9. Hamilton Medical CenterDalton
10. Gwinnett Medical Center - LawrencevilleLawrenceville



Top Ten in Georgia for Overall Gastrointestinal Care in 2012

1. Northeast Georgia Medical CenterGainesville
2. Piedmont HospitalAtlanta
3. Saint Mary's Health Care SystemAthens
4. Colquitt Regional Medical CenterMoultrie
5. Redmond Regional Medical CenterRome
6. Hamilton Medical CenterDalton
7. Athens Regional Medical CenterAthens
8. WellStar Kennestone HospitalMarietta
9. Saint Francis HospitalColumbus
10. Medical Center of Central GeorgiaMacon

Top Ten in Georgia for GI Medical Treatment in 2012

1. Northeast Georgia Medical CenterGainesville
2. Piedmont HospitalAtlanta
3. Hamilton Medical CenterDalton
4. Athens Regional Medical CenterAthens
5. Saint Francis HospitalColumbus
6. John D. Archbold Memorial HospitalThomasville
7. Saint Joseph's Hospital of AtlantaAtlanta
8. Eastside Medical CenterSnellville
9. Memorial University Medical CenterSavannah
10. Piedmont Newnan HospitalNewnan

Top Ten in Georgia for General Surgery in 2012

1. Piedmont HospitalAtlanta
2. Northeast Georgia Medical CenterGainesville
3. Athens Regional Medical CenterAthens
4. Saint Mary's Health Care SystemAthens
5. Redmond Regional Medical CenterRome
6. Colquitt Regional Medical CenterMoultrie
7. Saint Francis HospitalColumbus
8. Spalding Regional Medical CenterGriffin
9. WellStar Kennestone HospitalMarietta
10. Medical Center of Central GeorgiaMacon



Top Ten in Georgia for Prostatectomy in 2012

1. Redmond Regional Medical CenterRome
2. Trinity Hospital of AugustaAugusta
3. WellStar Kennestone HospitalMarietta
4. Wayne Memorial HospitalJesup
5. Saint Joseph's Hospital of AtlantaAtlanta
6. Northside HospitalAtlanta
7. Doctors Hospital of AugustaAugusta
8. Henry Medical CenterStockbridge
9. Meadows Regional Medical CenterVidalia
10. Saint Mary's Health Care SystemAthens

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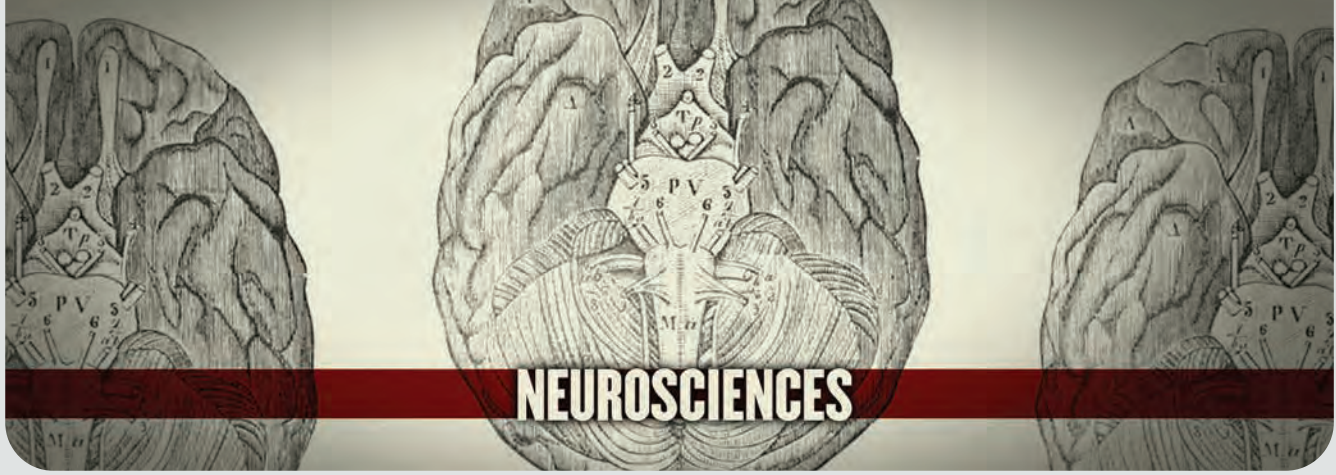
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Top Ten in Georgia for Neurosciences in 2012

1. Memorial University Medical Center	Savannah
2. Gwinnett Medical Center - Lawrenceville	Lawrenceville
3. North Fulton Hospital	Roswell
4. WellStar Kennestone Hospital	Marietta
5. Northeast Georgia Medical Center	Gainesville
6. Eastside Medical Center	Snellville
7. Saint Mary's Health Care System	Athens
8. Emory University Hospital Midtown	Atlanta
9. Piedmont Hospital	Atlanta
10. University Hospital	Augusta

Top Ten in Georgia for Neurosurgery in 2012

1. WellStar Kennestone Hospital	Marietta
2. Memorial University Medical Center	Savannah
3. North Fulton Hospital	Roswell
4. Eastside Medical Center	Snellville
5. Piedmont Hospital	Atlanta
6. Emory University Hospital Midtown	Atlanta
7. Northeast Georgia Medical Center	Gainesville
8. Southern Regional Health System	Riverdale
9. Gwinnett Medical Center - Lawrenceville	Lawrenceville
10. Floyd Medical Center	Rome

Top Ten in Georgia for Treatment of Stroke in 2012

1. Saint Mary's Health Care System	Athens
2. Gwinnett Medical Center - Lawrenceville	Lawrenceville
3. Hamilton Medical Center	Dalton
4. Memorial University Medical Center	Savannah
5. Northside Hospital - Forsyth	Cumming
6. North Fulton Hospital	Roswell
7. Coliseum Northside Hospital	Macon
8. Northeast Georgia Medical Center	Gainesville
9. Piedmont Fayette Hospital	Fayetteville
10. WellStar Kennestone Hospital	Marietta





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