

DESCRIPTION OF HOSPITALS IN THE GREATER HARTFORD AREA

Connecticut Children's Medical Center

[Connecticut Children's Medical Center](#) is a nationally recognized, 187-bed not-for-profit children's hospital serving as the primary teaching hospital for the University of Connecticut School of Medicine department of pediatrics. Connecticut Children's Medical Center is consistently named among the best in the nation for several of its pediatric specialties in the annual *U.S. News & World Report* "Best Children's Hospitals" rankings.

The history of Connecticut Children's spans more than 100 years. Founded as a 10-bed hospital for children who suffered incurable conditions such as cerebral palsy, spina bifida and polio, Connecticut Children's is now one of only two freestanding children's hospitals in New England—the only freestanding children's hospital in Connecticut—that offers comprehensive, world-class health care to children and adolescents in a patient- and family-centered environment with a focus on research, education and advocacy.

A comprehensive array of pediatric services are available at our hospitals in Hartford and Waterbury, with neonatal intensive care units in Hartford (Level 4) and the UConn Health (Level 3), along with a state-of-the-art ambulatory surgery center, five specialty care centers and 10 practices across the state and in Massachusetts.

Our Level 1 Pediatric Trauma Center and Primary Care Center are the busiest between Boston and New York.

Connecticut Children's has 2,200 employees with a medical staff of nearly 1,100, practicing in more than 30 specialties.

Hartford Hospital/Institute of Living

[Hartford Hospital](#) is central Connecticut's leading tertiary medical center with a world-class medical staff, supported by over 7,000 extraordinary [nurses](#) and staff members.

Hartford Hospital is the one of the [major teaching hospitals](#) affiliated with the University of Connecticut Medical School, serving the New England region. With a reputation for providing complex and innovative care to those in need is built on the foundation of excellence in patient care, teaching and research. The Center for Education, Simulation, and Innovation (CESI) is one of the few Level 1 accredited simulation centers in the United States and is recognized as a leader in simulation innovation.

Hartford Hospital performed the [first successful heart transplant in the state](#), and [pioneered the use of robotics in surgery](#). We maintain the only Level 1 Trauma Center in the region, and operate the state's air ambulance system, [LIFE STAR](#). We are not the only air ambulance system in Connecticut anymore.

UConn John Dempsey Hospital

The University Hospital, John Dempsey Hospital provides specialized and routine inpatient and outpatient services for adults. It is widely recognized for its high quality care and was named by The Joint Commission as a top performer in the care of patients with heart failure, heart attack, pneumonia and surgical needs. UConn's centers of excellence include:

- [Geriatrics](#)
- [Maternal-fetal medicine](#)
- [Cardiology](#)
- [Cancer](#)
- [Orthopaedics](#)

In addition, the John Dempsey Hospital is home to the only full service Emergency Department in the Farmington Valley.

St. Francis Hospital and Medical Center

[Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center](#) has been an anchor institution in north central Connecticut since 1897. In 2015, Saint Francis became part of Trinity Health - New England, an integrated health care delivery system that is a member of Trinity Health, Livonia, MI, one of the largest multi-institutional Catholic health care delivery systems in the nation. Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center is licensed for 617 beds and 65 bassinets, is a major teaching hospital and the largest Catholic hospital in New England. Other Saint Francis entities include the Comprehensive Women's Health Center, the Connecticut Joint Replacement Institute, the Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute of Connecticut, Smilow Cancer Hospital Yale-New Haven at Saint Francis, and Saint Francis Medical Group. A regional referral center and major teaching hospital, Saint Francis provides sophisticated, contemporary medicine with major clinical concentrations in women's and children's services, oncology, cardiology, orthopedics, and rehabilitation including:

- CyberKnife®
- Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute of Connecticut
- Women's Heart Program at Saint Francis
- Connecticut Joint Replacement Institute (CJRI)
- Mount Sinai Rehabilitation

In addition to its centers of excellence, Saint Francis offers a full range of expert medical and dental care with respected programs in:

- Stroke care
- Surgery
- Surgical weight loss
- Diabetes management
- Orthopedic and sports medicine
- Pain management
- Integrative medicine

The Hospital of Central Connecticut

[The Hospital of Central Connecticut \(THOCC\)](#) is a 414-bed, 32-bassinets, acute-care community teaching hospital with campuses in New Britain and Southington. The hospital was created with the 2006 merger of the former New Britain General and Bradley Memorial hospitals.

Affiliated with the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, The Hospital of Central Connecticut provides comprehensive inpatient and outpatient services in general medicine and surgery and a wide variety of specialties. Specialty centers include the Endocrine and Bone Health Center, Cancer Services, Cardiology, Clinical Research, Family BirthPlace, Joslin Diabetes Center Affiliate, Joint and Spine Center, Psychiatry and Behavioral Health, Sleep Disorders Center, Vascular Center, Center for Bariatric Surgery, Weigh Your Options Weight Loss Center, Wolfson Palliative Care Consult Services, and Wound Care Center.

The Hospital of Central Connecticut has a medical staff of more than 400 physicians. Through the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, the hospital participates in residency programs for primary care internal medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, otolaryngology, and general surgery.

The Hospital of Central Connecticut is a member of the Central Connecticut Health Alliance, a system of healthcare affiliates that provides a wide array of services throughout the region, caring for patients from birth through the end of life.

The Department of Veterans' Affairs

[The Veterans' Affairs \(VA\) Hospital](#) (VA) encompasses an inpatient facility and Ambulatory Care Center in West Haven; an Ambulatory Care Center in Newington; and six primary care Community Based Outpatient Clinics:

- Danbury CBOC
- John J. McGuirk VA Outpatient Clinic - New London
- Stamford CBOC
- Waterbury CBOC
- Willimantic CBOC
- Winsted CBOC

Affiliation with the University of Connecticut School of Medicine allows the VA Connecticut to participate in the education and training of more than 600 physicians each year.