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United Hospital District Receives the 2023 Women's Choice Award® as one of America's Best Small Hospitals Under 25 Beds

Blue Earth, MN, September 4, 2023 – United Hospital District (UHD) has been named one of America's Best Small Hospitals Under 25 Beds by the Women's Choice Award®, America's trusted referral source for the best in healthcare. The award signifies that UHD is in the top six percent of 566 U.S. hospitals under 25 beds offering a broad selection of medical services and high patient recommendation scores.

"Patient satisfaction and clinical excellence is foundational in providing outstanding care, without exception," said UHD's CEO Rick Ash. "Our patients are very important to us. They are our family, neighbors, friends, and peers. Receiving this award validates the ongoing work of our entire staff, especially our physicians and advanced practice providers, who strive every day to provide the very best care for those we serve, and to keep quality care as close to home as possible."

The methodology used to select United Hospital District as one of the Best Small Hospitals Under 25 Beds is unique in that qualifying hospitals must offer Emergency Department services and at least three of the following services (Cardiac Rehab, CT scan, Diagnostic Mammography, Dialysis, Helipad, ICU, Inpatient Surgery, Joint Replacement, MRI, Obstetrics, Physical Therapy, Trauma, Wound Care). UHD provides 12 of the 14 qualifying services. Hospitals were then ranked by their patient recommendation rating from the Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems ([HCAHPS](#)) [survey results](#).

"Very small hospitals, many of which have extremely limited resources, offer a broad selection of different medical services to their community." said Delia Passi, founder and CEO of the Women's Choice Award. "Women want to be confident that they know which hospital in their communities will take care of their loved ones quickly and with the best possible care. Knowing the Women's Choice Award has already placed their seal of excellence on a hospital is immediate validation that they have made the right decision, easing their concern during a very stressful time. UHD not only provides

necessary medical services close to home, but they also have a high recommendation rating, which is very important to women when it comes to health-related decisions” says Passi.

For the full list Best Small Hospitals Under 25 beds, please visit:

<https://womenschoiceaward.com/small-hospitals-under-25-beds>

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ABOUT UNITED HOSPITAL DISTRICT

United Hospital District (www.uhd.org) is an independent and award-winning system of care with three clinic locations across two counties. UHD offers more than 30 primary and specialty care services, and proudly partners with numerous local and county organizations to promote good health and other meaningful initiatives that benefit the communities served. UHD advocates a patient-centered care approach and strives to keep quality healthcare local.

ABOUT THE WOMEN’S CHOICE AWARD®

The Women’s Choice Award for Best Hospitals™ is a trusted referral source and coveted credential that identifies the nation’s best hospitals based on robust criteria that includes relevant clinical performance, patient satisfaction and appropriate accreditations. The Best Hospitals demonstrate exceptional ratings, providing the highest level of care and commitment to their patients’ health and well-being. The Women's Choice Award is the only designation that takes into consideration the preferences of women when selecting a hospital. Visit <http://www.womenschoiceaward.com/> to learn more.

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