



CHRISTIANA CARE HEALTH SYSTEM

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Christiana Care wins national award

Christiana Care wins Top Hospitals Performance Improvement Leader award

Wilmington, Del. – Thomson Healthcare—a nationally recognized provider of health care information—named Christiana Care Health System one of its 2006 “Thomson 100 Top Hospitals Performance Improvement Leaders.”

With its Wilmington and Christiana Hospitals, Christiana Care ranks among the top 100 U.S. hospitals—and among the top 15 *major teaching hospitals*—for the fastest and most consistent performance improvement over five consecutive years. Regarded as its most distinguished honor, Thomson analyzed publicly available Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) clinical, financial and operational data from more than 2,800 U.S. hospitals to identify 100 hospitals that improved the most from 2001 to 2005.

“This honor belongs to the people of Christiana Care – the doctors, nurses, all 10,000 employees whose commitment to our focus on excellence is making a difference every day in the lives of those we serve. This honor is just one of the many ways that their commitment is recognized and valued,” said Christiana Care’s President, Dr. Bob Laskowski.

Formerly the Solucient 100 Top Hospitals Program, the name was changed when Thomson Corporation acquired Solucient LLC and integrated it into Thomson Healthcare.

For more information about the award, please visit www.100tophospitals.com.

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About Christiana Care Health System

Christiana Care Health System, which dates back to 1888, is one of the region's largest not-for profit health care providers, serving the people of Delaware as well as neighboring areas of Maryland, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. A teaching hospital, Christiana Care is recognized as a regional center for excellence in cardiology, cancer and women's health services, as well as Level-I trauma care and Level-3 neonatal intensive care (both highest intensity). Christiana Care operates two hospitals, transitional care services, preventive medicine and rehabilitation services, a network of primary care physician offices and an extensive range of outpatient and home health services. Christiana Care provided \$32.4 million of charity care last year.