

## *Proven Excellence*

Through diligent work toward a clear vision, our team of dedicated health professionals has built Aspirus Wausau Hospital into one of the nation's finest health care facilities. But don't take our word for it. See what others say about the care available at Aspirus Wausau Hospital:

### **Magnet Designation**

Aspirus Wausau Hospital was recognized by the American Nursing Credentialing Center (ANCC) as a Magnet Hospital – an elite provider of nursing care. Of about 6,000 hospitals in the nation, just 298 have achieved Magnet status. Regardless of an organization's size or location, Magnet designation serves two primary purposes: to attract and retain quality employees and to help consumers identify it as a hospital with a proven level of excellence in care. It's a seal of approval for quality care.

### **HealthGrades**

#### **2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 – HealthGrades Distinguished Hospital Award for Clinical Excellence**

HealthGrades identifies the highest-quality hospitals in the nation in terms of clinical excellence by analyzing federal Medicare patient data for common medical procedures and diagnoses, from hip replacement to bypass surgery. Aspirus Wausau Hospital is the only hospital in Wisconsin to receive this award six consecutive years.

*In 2005, HealthGrades recognized Aspirus Wausau Hospital's excellence in:*

- **Cardiac Care** – 2005 HealthGrades Cardiac Care Excellence Award; ranked among the Top 5% in the Nation for overall Cardiac Services; rated #1 in Wisconsin for overall Cardiac Services.
- **Pulmonary Care** – 2005 HealthGrades Pulmonary Care Excellence Award; ranked among the Top 10% in the Nation for Pulmonary Services; rated #1 in Wisconsin for Pulmonary Services.
- **GI Care** – Ranked among the Top 10% in the Nation for GI Surgery.
- **Orthopedics** – Received five-star rating (highest mark) for Spinal Fusion Surgery.
- **Critical Care** – Received five-star rating for Treatment of Respiratory Failure.

*In 2006, HealthGrades recognized Aspirus Wausau Hospital's excellence in:*

- **Cardiac Care** – 2006 HealthGrades Cardiac Care Excellence Award; ranked among Top 5% in the Nation for overall Cardiac Services; rated #1 in state for Cardiac Services;
- **General Surgery** – Ranked among the top 10 percent nationally, and among the top five hospitals in Wisconsin. Aspirus is a recipient of the 2007 HealthGrades General Surgery Excellence Award™.
- **Critical Care** – 2006 HealthGrades Critical Care Excellence Award™; ranked among the top 10 percent nationally, and best in the Northern WI, for critical care services.
- **Neurosciences** – Ranked among the 10 best in Wisconsin for treatment of stroke.
- **Orthopedic Care** – Ranked among the 10 best hospitals in Wisconsin for overall orthopedics. Aspirus is also among the top five hospitals in the state for spinal surgery.

- **GI Care** – Ranked among the top 5 percent nationally, No. 2 in Wisconsin and the best in Northern Wisconsin for gastrointestinal surgery.

*In 2007, HealthGrades recognized Aspirus Wausau Hospital's excellence in:*

- **Cardiac Care** – 2007 HealthGrades Cardiac Care Excellence Award; ranked among Top 5% in the Nation for overall Cardiac Services; rated #1 in state for Cardiac Services;
- **Critical Care** - 2007 HealthGrades Critical Care Excellence Award<sup>TM</sup>; ranked among the top 10% nationally, and best in the Northern Wisconsin, for critical care services.
- **General Surgery** - 2007 HealthGrades General Surgery Excellence Award<sup>TM</sup>.
- **GI Care** - Ranked among the top 5 percent nationally, No. 2 in Wisconsin and the best in Northern Wisconsin for gastrointestinal surgery.

*In 2008, HealthGrades recognized Aspirus Wausau Hospital's excellence in:*

- **Cardiac Care** – 2008 HealthGrades Cardiac Care Excellence Award; ranked among top 5% in the Nation for overall cardiac services, cardiac surgery, coronary interventions, and pulmonary services; rated #1 in state ranking in cardiac services for the fifth straight year.
- **Stroke Care** – 2008 HealthGrades Stroke Care Excellence Award.
- **Pulmonary Care** – 2008 HealthGrades Pulmonary Care Excellence Award.
- **General Surgery** – 2008 HealthGrades General Surgery Excellence Award.
- **Critical Care** – Ranks #1 in northern Wisconsin for overall critical care.

*In 2009, HealthGrades recognized Aspirus Wausau Hospital's excellence in:*

- **Cardiac Care** – 2009 HealthGrades Cardiac Care Excellence Award.
- **Critical Care** - 2009 HealthGrades Critical Care Excellence Award.
- **Pulmonary Care** - 2009 HealthGrades Pulmonary Care Excellence Award.
- **Stroke Care** – 2009 HealthGrades Stroke Care Excellence Award.

### ***US News & World Report Top 50***

***2005 – Nation's 50 Best Hospitals for:***

- Cardiac Care and Cardiac Surgery (the only Wisconsin hospital to make the list).
- GI Care – Treatment of Digestive Disorders.

***2002 – Nation's 50 Best Hospitals for:***

- Cardiac Care and Cardiac Surgery (the only Wisconsin hospital to make the list).

***2000 – Nation's 50 Best Hospitals for:***

- Respiratory Care

### ***Thomson Reuters Top 100 Hospitals***

***2008 – Cardiovascular Care***

***2007 – Cardiovascular Care***

***2006 – Cardiovascular Care***

***2003 – Cardiovascular Care***

***2002 – Cardiovascular Care***

***2001 – Cardiovascular Care***

***2000 – Stroke Care***

***1994 – Top Urban Hospital***

### ***U.S. Department of Health and Human Services***

***2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 – Medal of Honor for Organ Donation***