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Seattle Met **Top Doctors and Nurses** 2012



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doctors and nurses in

72

specialties

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Seattle Met's annual **Top Doctors** rankings are in. Over 4,500 doctors in the Seattle metropolitan area participated in our 2012 survey, the result of a partnership between *Seattle Met* and Avvo. Avvo rates and profiles 90 percent of doctors in the U.S., including every doctor in Washington state.

The 2012 survey is more comprehensive than ever, with active participation from almost 40 percent of doctors practicing in King, Kitsap, and Snohomish counties, and parts of Pierce County. Avvo's proprietary algorithms rate doctors on a 10-point scale, employing not only peer endorsements but factors such as experience, education, training, disciplinary history, fellowships, hospital privileges, and awards. Avvo's dynamic ratings of the 12,583 doctors in the survey area are regularly refreshed based on new information gleaned from doctors as well as from certifying and licensing boards. The doctors on the pages that follow represent the top 4 percent of practitioners in their fields as of May 2012.

For specialists not included in Avvo's service—advanced registered nurse practitioners in nine specialties, acupuncturists, chiropractors, naturopaths, and optometrists—the rankings are based on nominations by doctors, nurses, physician's assistants, and other health care professionals. Our survey asked those professionals to name the colleagues they would choose to treat themselves and their loved ones.

The resulting list of 586 top practitioners in their fields is presented here alphabetically by specialty. As of press time, all the top-ranked doctors and nurses were certified to practice in their fields by the Washington State Department of Health.

Seattle Met researchers gave medical professionals the opportunity to specify areas of focus within their practice or exemplary cases recently treated. For example, a doctor in the field of cardiology might list cardiovascular risk assessment, preventive cardiology, diagnostic cardiology, and cholesterol management to provide the reader with more context regarding her practice. This in no way indicates that the doctor's practice is limited to those areas of focus.

We've given close attention to creating a comprehensive and detailed list, but this reference is best used as just one step in the careful journey toward finding doctors who are right for you.



EMERGENCY TREATMENT

Freestanding ERs

When a prominent Eastside community member suffered a relatively serious eye injury during a local basketball game, it seemed guaranteed that he'd spend the rest of the day in the emergency room. In Washington, the average ER visit lasts five hours. Instead, he visited one of Swedish's Eastside freestanding ERs and was back at the gym before the game was over. "The freestanding ERs are built around a zero-wait philosophy," says Dr. John Milne, Swedish's vice president for medical affairs on the Eastside. "Patients are brought in and treatment is initiated right away. The average stay is 75 to 80 minutes." Since only 6 or 7 percent of ER visits in outlying, underserved areas result in hospital stays, it is more cost effective to build standalone ERs rather than full-service hospitals. Swedish Medical Center led the way locally with the Issaquah site in 2005 and subsequent locations in Redmond and Mill Creek. MultiCare Health System opened a Covington site in April. —Deanna N. Duff

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