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Hartford Hospital Named 2009 Most Wired and Most Wireless Hospital
American Hospital Association Finds Patient Satisfaction Higher at Most Wired Hospitals

(Hartford, Conn.) – For the third consecutive year, Hartford Hospital has been named one of the nation’s 100 Most Wired hospitals according to *Hospitals & Health Networks* magazine, the journal of the American Hospital Association. In addition, Hartford Hospital has been named among the nation’s top 25 Most Wireless hospitals. Most Wired hospitals show better outcomes in patient satisfaction, risk-adjusted mortality rates and other key quality measures.

“Technology has played a leading role in our ability to deliver first-class patient care day in and day out,” said Stephan D. O’Neill, Vice President of Information Services at Hartford Hospital. “We are honored to be recognized by the American Hospital Association for the third year in a row as a Most Wired hospital and we are delighted to be recognized as a Most Wireless hospital. Hartford Hospital remains committed to using the latest technology to provide high-quality patient care.”

“As the health reform debate continues, it’s clear that IT will play an even more important role in the health system of tomorrow,” said Rich Umbdenstock, president and CEO of the American Hospital Association. “Most Wired hospitals help illustrate IT in action – improving efficiency, quality and safety of care while helping to control costs.”

The Most Wired survey is conducted annually and focuses on how the nation’s hospitals use information technologies for quality, customer service, public health and safety, business processes and workforce issues. This year, 1,314 hospitals were represented in the survey.

Hospitals & Health Networks conducted the 2009 survey in cooperation with McKesson Corp. and the College of Healthcare Information Management Executives. The July cover story detailing results is available at www.hhnmag.com.

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