

Our People

- Dr. John Hick recognized by Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and Governor Tim Walz for excellent service to the State of Minnesota and MDH
- Courtney LeClair, LP, PhD, awarded **Professional of the Year Award** by NAMI Minnesota
- Dr. Nneka Sederstrom, Chief Health Equity Officer, recognized as **TCB 100 for 2024** by Twin Cities Business. **TCB 100** list recognizes people in and around Minnesota businesses likely to make news and drive change in the year ahead.
- Angela Watts awarded **2023 Betty Hubbard maternal and Child Health Leadership Award** at the community level by the Minnesota Department of Health
- Britta Brown, RD, LD, CNSC awarded **2023 Excellence in Clinical Nutrition Practice Award** by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
- Talee Vang, PsyD, LP received American Psychological Association's **2023 Early Career Psychologists Achievement Awards** for her work on anti-racism efforts
- Minnesota Hospital Association awarded Hennepin Healthcare with the **2023 Quality and Safety Improvement Award for** partnership with Hennepin Health to reduce admissions and **2023 Volunteer of the Year Award** to Derek Williams.
- Drs. Sarah Lucken and Scott Velder received **Achievement Award for Outstanding Service to Children** by the Center for Safe and Healthy Children.
- Dr. Nneka Sederstrom, Chief Health Equity Officer, awarded **Women in Business Award** by the *Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal*
- Kentral Galloway, Next Step Program Director, received **Dr. William Kosiak Victim Service Professional Award** from the Office of Justice Programs
- Jennifer DeCubellis named **2023 Women Hospital Presidents and CEOs to Know** list by *Becker's Hospital Review*. This list honors female hospital executives for the dedication to bettering their hospitals for patients and providers alike.
- Four Hennepin Healthcare leaders: Dr. Elizabeth Alabi, OB/GYN, Bill Marks, Director of Food & Nutrition and Environmental Services, Mitchell Radin, PsyD, LP, Psychology Manager and Dr. Meghan Walsh, Chief Academic and Research Officer, named **2023 Healthcare Heroes** by *Minneapolis/St. Paul Business Journal*
- 46 Physicians in 24 specialties recognized as **2023 Top Docs** by *Mpls/StPaul* magazine
- 19 Physicians in 15 specialties recognized as **2023 Rising Stars** by *Mpls/StPaul* magazine
- Talee Vang, PsyD, LP, Health Equity VP, honored by Women's Health Leadership TRUST in the **Innovation** category

- Courageous Conversations and Compass work groups received **Organizational Culture Team Award** from Minnesota Hospital Association's Workforce Innovation Awards. The MHA Workforce Innovation Awards recognizes the outstanding work teams at Minnesota hospitals and health systems for what they are doing to invest in their staff.
- Chief People & Culture Officer, Tonya Jackman Hampton, Ed.D, MBA, named as **2023 Women in Business Career Achievement Honoree** by *Mpls/St Paul Business Journal*
- Dr. Meghan Walsh named first **Chief Academic and Research Officer** by Hennepin Healthcare Research Institute
- 6 Physicians awarded **Clinical Teaching Excellence Awards** by the University of Minnesota Graduate Medical Education.
- Dr. Ellen Coffey received the Charles Bolles **Bolles-Rogers Award**, recognized as a Physician of Excellence
- Dr. Dionne Hart named one of Minnesota's "**Visionary Women**" through the Minnesota African American Heritage Calendar
- Patient Financial Services Team awarded **Platinum Customer Excellence Award** from Change Healthcare for achieving revenue excellence through best practices beyond products and solutions. (RCM Technology Customer Awards for Excellence)
- Dr. Gaylan Rockswold received the **2022 Sheldon Berro, MD Clinical Service Award** by the Brain Injury Association of America
- Public Relations and Marketing Team awarded **1st Place Best in Marketing 2022 Award** for our *Level 1 Pediatric Trauma campaign* and **2nd Place Best in Public Relations 2022 Award** for the *Pediatric Mobile Health Clinic Campaign* by Minnesota Health Strategy and Communications Network (MHSCN)
- Dr. Courtney LeClair earned World Professional Association for Transgender Health **Certification** (WPATH)
- Chief People & Culture Officer, Tonya Jackman Hampton, Ed.D, MBA, earned **certification** as Certified Professional Labor Relations Leader (CLRL)
- Dr. María Verónica Svetaz awarded **2022 Innovation & Research Award** by Minnesota Academy of Family Physicians
- 25 Physicians in 27 specialties recognized as **2022 Rising Stars** by *Mpls/StPaul* magazine
- 42 Physicians in 27 specialties recognized as **2022 Top Docs** by *Mpls/StPaul* magazine
- Scott Anderson, PharmD, MS, CPHIMS, FASHP, recognized as a **Fellow** by the American Society of Health system Pharmacists (ASHP)
- Jessica Swanson, RN, MSN, CIC FAPIC, recognized as a **Fellow** by the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC)

- Talee Vang, PsyD, L.P., Director of Health Equity & Education, appointed to statewide **Culturally Informed and Culturally Responsive Mental Health Task Force** by Governor Tim Waltz
- Dr. María Verónica Svetaz awarded the **2022 Paul & Sheila Wellstone Public Health Achievement Award** by the Minnesota Public Health Association
- Jessica Holm, APRN, CNM, Director of Nurse Midwife Services, inducted as a **Fellow** of the American College of Nurse Midwives (ACNM). Fellowship in the ACNM is bestowed upon those midwives whose demonstrated leadership, clinical excellence, outstanding scholarship, and professional achievement have merited special recognition both within and outside of the midwifery profession.
- Tonya Jackman Hampton, Ed.D, MBA, Chief People & Culture Officer, named as one of *Twin Cities Business Top 100 People to Know in 2022*
- Paramedic John Sylvester named *2022 Mpls/St Paul Business Journal Health Care Hero* in the First Responder category. John was recognized for organizing the Sock Drive for the Homeless
- 23 Physicians in 15 Specialties named **2022 Rising Stars** by *MplsStPaul* magazine
- Dr. Gavin Bart awarded **Physician of the Year** by MN Association of Resources for Recovery and Mental Health
- Kolleen Amon, BSN, MA, APRN-CNP; Neonatal Nurse Practitioner, named Vanderbilt University's School of Nursing **2021 Preceptor of the Year**
- 118 Hennepin Healthcare physicians representing 43 specialties named as **2021 Top Doctors** by *Minnesota Monthly* magazine
- Women's Health Leadership TRUST recognized Arti Prasad, MD, FACP, ABOIM in the **Leadership** category and Jessica Holm, APRN, CNM in the **Health & Wellbeing** category
- Chanon Ridore, CNP received the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners-Minnesota Chapter, **Pediatric Nurse Practitioner of the Year Award**
- Dr. Kirsten Johansen awarded the **2021 J Michael Lazarus Award** by the National Kidney Foundation, for dedication to kidney health
- CFO Derrick Hollings and Dr. Deepti Pandita nominated as **2021 Black Indigenous People Of Color (BIPOC) Executives** by *Twin Cities Business Magazine*
- CEO Jennifer DeCubellis (Health Care Executive) and Violence Prevention Specialist Jalilia Abdul-Brown (Health Equity Champion) named as **2021 Health Care Heroes** by *Minneapolis/St Paul Business Journal*
- 40 Physicians in 24 Specialties named **2021 Rising Stars** by *MplsStPaul* magazine
- Paramedic Ernie Roettger **recognized** by *Board of Peace Officers Standards & Training* for training of police and his work with Autism and other spectrum disorders. This training will now be part of standardized training given to all member of law enforcement in Minnesota.

- CEO Jennifer Decubellis, Drs. John Hick, David Hilden and Mark Linzer selected as for of **Minnesota's 100 Most Influential Health Care Leaders in 2021** by *Minnesota Physician Publications*
- 118 Hennepin Healthcare physicians representing 40 specialties named as **2020 Top Doctors** by *Minnesota Monthly* magazine
- 41 Hennepin Healthcare physicians in 22 specialties named as **2020 Top Docs** by *MplsStPaul* magazine
- 6 Hennepin Healthcare nurses named as Finalists for March of Dimes **Nurse of the Year Award**, 2 named winners: Kari Abraham – Pediatric category and Julie Philbrook – Trauma Services, Innovative & Non-traditional nursing category
- Paramedics Kelly Munn, Erik Ollila, Don Wolfe and Scott Crawford receive **Minneapolis Chief's Award of Merit**
- 3 Hennepin Healthcare leaders recognized as **Notable Healthcare Leaders** by Twin Cities Business Magazine: Syl Jones, Equity & Inclusion Director; Chris George, Sr. Administrative Directory/Ambulatory; and Dr. Glen Hansen, Director of Clinical Microbiology & Molecular Diagnostic Laboratories
- Dr. Meghan Walsh, Chief Academic Officer, awarded the **Parker J. Palmer Courage to Lead Award** from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME)
- Hennepin Healthcare clinic system recognized by UCare in annual A **Salute to Excellence Award**, for improved outcomes in the care of population enrolled in PMAP/MNCare product
- Dr. Diana Cutts, received the **Health & Well Being Award** by Women's Health Leadership TRUST
- Dr. John Hick, Emergency Medicine, one of four physicians to receive **President's Award** from the Minnesota Medical Association for his work on the frontlines of the COVID-19 response
- Jessica Johnson, Director of Middle Revenue Cycle, named **2020 Health Information Management Trust Builder Award** winner by Trust HCS
- Dr. Fred Apple awarded the International Federation of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine (IFCC) **Distinguished Award for Contributions to Cardiovascular Diagnostics**
- Medical/Surgical/Orthopedics nurse Melissa Walker honored with Minnesota Hospital Association's (MHA) quarterly **Good Catch for Patient Safety Award**
- Heather Clifton and Megan Nelson of Nutrition Therapy awarded certificates for **Outstanding Contribution in Promoting Patient Safety with Medical Devices** by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for their reporting of concern with tube feel lines, which resulted in manufacturer action.

Our Programs

CURRENT AWARDS AND ACCREDITATIONS

- Hennepin Healthcare recertified as **Gold Level Sleep Hospital** by Cribs for Kids
- Hennepin Healthcare recognized as **2023 Community Partner** by Achieve Twin Cities
- Hennepin Healthcare designated as “**Birthing-Friendly**” health system by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)
- Hennepin Healthcare awarded **Gold** in 2023 by the American Heart Association for outpatient recognition programs: **Check.Change.Control Cholesterol.** and **Target: Type 2 Diabetes**
- Hennepin Healthcare named **2022-2023 Outstanding Community Partner Award** by Center for Community-Engaged Learning
- Hennepin Healthcare received **2023 Eric C. Dick Memorial Health Policy Partner Award** from the Minnesota Medical Association for partnership on recuperative care.
- Comprehensive Stroke Team recognized by American Heart Association with 3 award: **Get With The Guidelines-Stroke Gold Plus, Target: stroke Honor Roll Elite** and **Target: Type 2 Diabetes Honor Roll**
- Sleep Center recognized by American Academy of Sleep Medicine for **40-Year Accreditation** milestone
- Jail Health Services receives **reaccreditation** by American Correctional Association
- Hennepin Healthcare achieves **Gold Re-Certification of Safe Sleep Hospital for 2023**, by Cribs for Kids
- Cardiac Rehab Program received **Innovation Award** from the MN Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehab for their Home-Based Cardiac Rehab Program
- Hennepin Healthcare earned **Health Equity Accreditation Plus** accreditations by National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA). NCQA awards Accreditation to organizations that meet or exceed its rigorous requirements for health equity. 2022 was the first time NCQA has accredited healthcare systems.
- Specialty Pharmacy/Mail Services received full Joint Commission **accreditation**.
- MN Electronic Health Record Consortium awarded **Bull’s Eye Award for Innovation and Excellence in Immunization** by the Association of Immunization Managers (AIM). Hennepin Healthcare is a leader in the state’s consortium.
- Pediatric Mobile Health Clinic, Redleaf Center for Family Healing and Talent Garden awarded **2022 Commissioners Circle of Excellence Award** from the Minnesota Department of Human Services
- Richfield Clinic passes Commission on Office Laboratory Accreditation (COLA) inspection with no deficiencies and awarded **Laboratory Excellence Award**

- For the 5th consecutive year, Comprehensive Stroke Center receives **Get With the Guidelines – Stroke Gold Plus and Target: Stroke Honor Roll Elite** awards from the American Heart/American Stroke Association
- Brooklyn Park Clinic certified as a **Silver Level Adolescent Centered Environment** by the Michigan Adolescent Health Initiative (AHI)
- Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory recognized by *USA News Best Hospitals* association for **participation** in the American College of Cardiology registry work
- Lactation Program received **Global recognition** from the IBCLC Award
- East Lake Clinic selected as a **Top Project 2021** by *Finance & Commerce*
- Comprehensive Cancer Center **recertified** with Quality Oncology Practice Initiative
- Hennepin Healthcare **recognized** by Healthcare Financial Management Association for **Excellence in Patient Communications** about their finances-demonstrating we are following nearly 100 Best Practices covering financial interactions that take place in a variety of care settings
- Burn Center successfully **re-verified** as an Adult and Pediatric Burn Center by American Burn Association and American College of Surgeons
- Hennepin Healthcare Stroke Center **re-certified as a Comprehensive stroke Center** by DNV Healthcare, delivering the highest quality of care to the most complex cases
- Golden Valley Clinic received **Readers Choice Award for Best Medical Clinic** from *Golden Valley Sun Post*
- Echo Lab received **Certificate of Accreditation** from Intersocietal Accreditation Commission of Echocardiography (IAC), demonstrating commitment to quality and excellence in Adult Transthoracic, Adult Transesophageal and Adult Stress Tests.
- Cardiology Clinic **recognized** by the American Heart Association for Target BP. Target BP recognition is given to practices that have intentional measures to reduce uncontrolled blood pressure in adults.
- Hennepin Healthcare Burn Center successfully **re-verified** by the American Burn Association
- Comprehensive Weight Management Centers **passes reaccreditation survey** for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Accreditation and Quality Improvement Plan (MBSAQIP), **achieves reaccreditation** by American College of Surgeons
- Poison Control Center **receives several recognitions** at the 2021 North American Congress of Clinical Toxicology conference (NACCT): awarded **Most Helpful Regional Poison Center Staff**; Associate Medical Director Ben Orozco won **Best Case Discussant** at the Clinical Pathological Case Presentation Competition.
- Cardiac Rehab receives **recertification** by the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation, signifying excellence in improving the quality of life for patients with cardiac disease or post-operative heart surgery patients

- For the 4th consecutive year, Comprehensive Stroke Center receives **Get With the Guidelines – Stroke Gold Plus and Target: Stroke Honor Roll Elite** awards from the American Heart/American Stroke Association
- Hennepin Healthcare’s project: Reducing 30-Day Readmissions in a Population Experiencing Homelessness, is the **winner** in the Quality division in the America’s Essential Hospitals **2021 Gage Awards Program**
- Hennepin EMS awarded **accreditation** through the Commission on Accreditation for Pre-Hospital Continuing Education
- Poison Control Center received **7-year accreditation** from the American Association of Poison Control Centers
- Hennepin Healthcare Family Health department **reaccredited** by Healthy Families America (HFA) for long term evidence-based home visiting model. Team successfully implemented all 153 best practices.
- Chiropractic Services at Be Well, Brooklyn Park, Golden Valley and Whitter clinics recognized as **2020 ChiroCare Centers of Excellence** by Fulcrum Health
- Hennepin Healthcare Heart Center receives **Heart Failure Gold Plus Award** from the American Heart/American Stroke Association (AHA/ASA). The Heart Center was also recognized as a recipient of the AHA/ASA’s **Target: Type 2 Diabetes Honor Roll Award**
- Comprehensive Stroke Center receives **Get With the Guidelines – Stroke Gold Plus and Target: Stroke Honor Roll Elite** awards from the American Heart/American Stroke Association
- ECMO Program (Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation) receives highest honors, the **Award for Excellence in Life Support – Platinum Level**, by Extracorporeal Life Support Organization (ELSO)
- Hennepin Healthcare’s Family Health department, first public health agency in Minnesota to implement and receive **Provisional Certification in the Family Connects Model**, accredited by Family Connects International
- Knapp Rehab and TBI Outpatient Program achieves 3-year **reaccreditation** by Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF): inpatient rehabilitation, stroke, and brain injury for adults and adolescents and outpatient brain injury for adults and adolescents.
- Hennepin Healthcare Pediatric Dentistry Residency program is **accredited** by the Commission on Dental Accreditation
- Hennepin Healthcare is **accredited** by The Joint Commission for hospital accreditation
- Hennepin Healthcare Behavioral Health Care Program is **accredited** by The Joint Commission for Behavioral Health
- MVNA/Hospice is **accredited** by The Joint Commission for home health care and hospice services
- Hennepin Healthcare is **verified a Level I Adult Trauma Center** by American College of Surgeons

- Hennepin Healthcare is **verified a Level I Pediatric Trauma Center** by American College of Surgeons
- Hennepin Healthcare Stroke Center **certified a Comprehensive Stroke Center** by DNV GL, delivering the highest quality of care to the most complex cases
- Hennepin Healthcare Center for Hyperbaric Medicine receives **re-accreditation from the Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society**
- Hennepin Healthcare is a verified **Burn Center** by the American Burn Association and American College of Surgeons
- Hennepin Healthcare is designated a **Gold Safe Sleep Champion**, certified as a safe sleep hospital, by Cribs for Kids
- Comprehensive Cancer Center is **accredited** by Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons
- Comprehensive Cancer Center is **accredited** by American College of Surgeons National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers
- Comprehensive Cancer Center is **certified as Survivorship Training and Rehab (STAR) Program** by Oncology Rehab Partners. The Cancer Center is only STAR Program in the state to offer premium cancer rehabilitation and survivorship services by a multidisciplinary team
- **Comprehensive Cancer Center** recognized by Quality Oncology Practice Initiative Certification Program for outpatient hematology-oncology practices that meet the highest standards for quality cancer care
- Hennepin Healthcare EMG Laboratory **fully accredited with exemplary status** through American Association of Neuromuscular and Electrodiagnostic Medicine. EMG Laboratory is one of only two accredited laboratories in Minnesota and the first in the state to achieve accreditation with exemplary status
- Hennepin Healthcare Toxicology Laboratory **accredited** by American Board of Forensic Toxicology. The Toxicology Laboratory is the first laboratory in Minnesota and one of only five in the Midwest to receive ABFT accreditation
- Minnesota Regional Sleep Disorders Center **accredited** by American Academy of Sleep Medicine
- Hennepin Healthcare OB testing achieves **American Institute for Ultrasound Medicine (AIUM) re-accreditation** in multiple ultrasound specialties
- Hennepin Healthcare received **Silver Level** designation for ECMO by Extracorporeal Life Support Organization
- Nine primary care clinics certified as **Health Care Homes** by Minnesota Department of Health: Whittier Clinic, Brooklyn Center Clinic, Brooklyn Park Clinic, East Lake Clinic, Richfield Clinic, the downtown Pediatric Clinic, Positive Care Clinic, Aqwi Para Ti, and the Coordinated Care Clinic
- Nine clinics named **accredited diabetes education program** by American Association of Diabetes Educators: Diabetes Center, downtown Medicine Clinic, Internal Medicine Clinic at Parkside, Whittier Clinic, East Lake Clinic, Richfield Clinic, Brooklyn Center Clinic, Brooklyn Park Clinic, and St. Anthony Village Clinic
- Hennepin Healthcare is a **designated Adult Renal Transplant Center**, CMS certified and Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network/United Network of Organ Sharing member in good standing

- Hennepin Healthcare Foundation awarded "**Meets Standards**" seal by Charities Review Council
- MVNA earns Health Families America **Accreditation** (HFA). HFA pairs at-risk pregnant youth and young women with a public health nurse.