

Cook Children's Receives Verification as Level II Trauma Center

Cook Children's Medical Center remains one of 25 facilities in Texas to hold this designation.

FORT WORTH (May 31, 2019) – The trauma center at Cook Children's Medical Center has been verified, once again, as a Level II Trauma Center by the American College of Surgeons (ACS). This achievement recognizes the trauma center's dedication to providing optimal care for injured patients. In addition, this designation signifies Cook Children's commitment to quality care by having board certified physicians and surgeons available 24-hours a day. The ACS verification process occurs every three years with the current verification expiring April 26, 2022.

Verified trauma centers must meet essential criteria that ensure trauma care capability and institutional performance. In addition to having critical care coverage around the clock, Level II Trauma Centers must provide trauma prevention and continuing education programs for staff. They also must incorporate a comprehensive quality assessment program.

The ACS does not designate trauma centers. Rather, the program provides confirmation that a trauma center has demonstrated its commitment to providing the highest quality trauma care for all injured patients. The actual establishment and designation is made by the Texas Department of State Health Services. Cook Children's Medical Center is one of 25 facilities in Texas with this distinction.

About Cook Children's

Cook Children's Health Care System embraces an inspiring Promise – to improve the health of every child in our region through the prevention and treatment of illness, disease and injury.

Based in Fort Worth, Texas, we're proud of our long and rich tradition of serving our community.

Our not-for-profit organization encompasses nine companies – a medical center, two surgery centers, a physician network, home health services and a health plan. It also includes Child Study Center at Cook Children's, Cook Children's Health Services Inc., and Cook Children's Health Foundation. With more than 60 primary, specialty and urgent care locations throughout Texas, families can access our top-ranked specialty programs and network of services to meet their unique needs.

We've worked to improve the health of children from across our primary service area of Denton, Hood, Johnson, Parker, Tarrant and Wise counties for more than 100 years. Based on the exceptional care we provide, patients travel to Cook Children's from around the country and the globe to receive life-saving pediatric care built on leading technology, extraordinary collaboration and the art of caring.

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