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U.S. News Ranks 16 Swisslog Customers Among Nation's Top 17 Hospitals

DENVER, Colo. (July 22, 2011) – Swisslog, a leading provider of automated materials transport and medication management solutions for hospitals, today announced that 16 of the 17 best hospitals in the United States according to *U.S. News & World Report* are its customers, including all of the top 10.

U.S. News evaluated almost 5,000 hospitals to compile its [Best Hospitals 2011](#) list. Death rates, patient safety, and reputation among more than 10,000 specialists went into the rankings. Just 17 hospitals are featured in an [Honor Roll](#) of the very best hospitals in the country.

A place on the Best Hospitals Honor Roll is reserved for medical centers that demonstrate unusually high expertise across multiple specialties, scoring at or near the top in at least six of 16 adult specialties.

Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore was again ranked as the best hospital in the country, as it has been for the past 21 years.

U.S. News publishes its annual ranking of the best hospitals “to help guide patients who need high-stakes care because of the complexity or difficulty of their condition or procedure,” according to the magazine.

“Successful outcomes for those with complex conditions often come down to how quickly and reliably doctors and nurses get the items they need to diagnose and treat their patients,” said Charlie Kegley, president of Swisslog Healthcare Solutions North America. “Whether it be the speedy return of verified lab results or the reliable transport of medicine from the pharmacy to the nursing stations, our [pneumatic tube systems](#) allow hospitals to deliver quality healthcare faster, safer and with greater efficiency. As a result, we are proud to have played a role in helping 16 of our customers achieve *U.S. News* Honor Roll status.”

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[Swisslog Healthcare Solutions](#) is the leading supplier of logistics automation solutions for healthcare facilities. Swisslog has installed [automated materials transport](#) and [medication management systems](#) in more than 3,000 hospitals around the world, including more than 2,000 in North America. Swisslog offers total systems design, manufacturing, installation and customer support providing a complete supply chain management approach to the logistics challenges of hospitals. The North American division of Swisslog Healthcare Solutions is based in Denver, CO. Stay connected with Swisslog Healthcare Solutions on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#).

About Swisslog

Swisslog is a global provider of integrated logistics solutions for warehouses, distribution centers and hospitals. Its comprehensive services portfolio ranges from building complex warehouses and distribution centers to implementing Swisslog's own software to intra-company logistics solutions for hospitals.

Swisslog's solutions optimize customers' production, logistics and distribution processes in order to increase flexibility, responsiveness and quality of service while minimizing logistics costs. With years of experience in the development and implementation of integrated logistics solutions, Swisslog provides the expertise that customers in more than 50 countries rely on.

Headquartered in Buchs/Aarau, Switzerland, Swisslog currently employs over 2,000 staff in about 20 countries worldwide. The group's parent company, Swisslog Holding AG, is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (security number: 1232462, Telekurs: SLOG, Reuters: SLOG.S). For more information, visit www.swisslog.com.

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The logo for Swisslog, featuring the word "swisslog" in a lowercase, sans-serif font. The letters are a dark red or maroon color. The "i" and "s" are connected, and the "l" is a simple vertical bar. The "o" is a simple circle. The "g" has a small tail that curves upwards and to the right.