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**Montrose Regional Health Receives Awards for Quality Maternity and Obstetrics Care**

Awards highlight MRH's dedication to high-quality women's health services for the region

MONTROSE, Colo. (December 15, 2025) – Montrose Regional Health (MRH) has received two national awards recognizing its commitment to high-quality women's health care. The hospital earned the Women's Choice Award for Obstetrics and the 2026 Best Hospital for Maternity Care designation from U.S. News & World Report.

Both awards place MRH among the top-performing hospitals in the nation for women's health. The Women's Choice Award helps patients make informed decisions by identifying hospitals that provide strong clinical outcomes and positive birth experiences. Hospitals are evaluated using clinical performance, patient satisfaction, and other quality measures. This year's designation places MRH in the top 12 percent of more than 4,600 U.S. hospitals offering OB-GYN services. MRH is one of 591 hospitals nationwide to receive the award.

The Best Hospitals for Maternity Care award from U.S. News & World Report recognizes hospitals that deliver high-quality labor and delivery care for uncomplicated pregnancies. Evaluation criteria include C-section rates, newborn severe complication rates, breast milk feeding rates, and other quality indicators. MRH performed strongly across these measures, including a C-section rate of 15.6 percent, which is well below the national average.

U.S. News also recognized MRH for offering several important maternity care practices linked to better outcomes, including breastfeeding support, rooming-in, advanced newborn care, and VBAC (vaginal birth after C-section) services. These measures help families compare hospitals using objective quality and safety data.

In addition to being named a Best Hospital for Maternity Care, U.S. News & World Report also recognized MRH as a Maternity Care Access Hospital. This distinction is awarded to hospitals that provide maternity services in communities that might otherwise have limited access to obstetric care. MRH is one of 147 hospitals nationwide to earn this honor and one of only two hospitals in Colorado to receive the designation.

"These recognitions carry special meaning for our community," Jeff Mengershausen, MRH CEO, said. "Women's health has been an important topic on the Western Slope, and families deserve care they can trust close to home. Our team continues to step up for mothers across the region, including families who now travel from Delta and surrounding areas. I am proud of the compassion and skill our caregivers bring to every birth, and we remain committed to providing safe, high-quality maternity care for every patient who walks through our doors."

To learn more about MRH's OB/GYN team and women's health services, please visit [montrosehealth.com/women](https://montrosehealth.com/women).

[Additional Resources:](#)

- Women's Choice for Obstetrics: <https://womenschoiceaward.com/best-hospitals-for-obstetrics>
- U.S. News & World Report Best Hospitals for Maternity Care: <https://health.usnews.com/best-hospitals/hospital-ratings/maternity>
- Maternity Care Access Hospital list: <https://health.usnews.com/best-hospitals/best-regional-hospitals/maternity-access-hospitals>

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### **About Montrose Regional Health ([montrosehealth.com](http://montrosehealth.com))**

Montrose Regional Health (MRH) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) healthcare system serving Montrose, San Miguel, Ouray, Gunnison, Delta, Hinsdale, and San Juan counties. Licensed for 75 beds, MRH offers a wide range of inpatient and outpatient services, including cardiology, oncology, minimally invasive surgery, laboratory services, medical imaging, Mountain View Therapy, a Level III Trauma Center, an Acute Rehabilitation Unit, a Spine and Pain Center, advanced respiratory and pulmonary care, and a family birthing center. Known for adopting advanced technologies such as robotic-assisted surgery and UVC disinfection, MRH is the second-largest employer in Montrose County, with more than 950 employees and over 188 providers representing 32 medical specialties. MRH is recognized for its warm, personalized care and lives its tagline: "Caring for you like family."



Photo caption: MRH is recognized nationally for high-quality obstetrics and maternity care.