Forty-Nine National Jewish Health Physicians Nationally Recognized

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Denver, CO — Forty-nine National Jewish Health physicians have been named among the best in their specialty by two separate national organizations. The doctors are being recognized by Best Doctors, Inc.® on its “The Best Doctors in America® 2015” national survey and by Castle Connolly Medical, Ltd in its annual “America's Top Doctors” ranking. Seventeen physicians were recognized by both organizations and several were listed in more than one specialty.

The Best Doctors in America® 2015 national database is compiled and maintained by Best Doctors, Inc. More than 45,000 doctors across the country are asked “If you or a loved one needed a doctor in a certain specialty, whom would you choose?” The final list represents the top 5 percent of physicians most frequently recognized by their peers.

Castle Connolly receives more than 100,000 nominations to compile their list of physicians recognized by their peers for excellence in different specialties.

The 49 National Jewish Health physicians selected as the best in their field include:

- Rafeul Alam, MD, PhD, Best Doctors – allergy and immunology
- S. Allan Bock, MD, Best Doctors – allergy and immunology, pediatric allergy and immunology; Castle Connolly – pediatric allergy and immunology
- Mark Boguniewicz, MD, Best Doctors – allergy and immunology, pediatric allergy and immunology; Castle Connolly – pediatric allergy and immunology
- Kevin K. Brown, MD, Best Doctors – critical care medicine, pulmonary medicine; Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
- Susan Brugman, MD, Best Doctors – pediatric pulmonology
- J. Kern Buckner, MD, Best Doctors – cardiovascular disease
- Kenny Chan*, MD, Best Doctors – pediatric otolaryngology
- Carlyne D. Cool, MD, Castle Connolly – pathology
- Gregory P. Cosgrove, MD, Best Doctors – critical care medicine, pulmonary medicine
- Ronina A. Covar, MD, Best Doctors – pediatric allergy and immunology
- Charles L. Daley, MD, Best Doctors – pulmonary medicine; Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
- James J. Fenton, MD, Best Doctors – critical care medicine, pulmonary medicine; Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
- Stephen K. Frankel, MD, Best Doctors – critical care medicine, pulmonary medicine
- Erwin W. Gelfand, MD, Castle Connolly – pediatric allergy and immunology
- Anne Getz*, MD, Best Doctors – otolaryngology
- James T. Good Jr., MD, Best Doctors – pulmonary medicine; Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
- Kari Hayes*, MD, Castle Connolly – pediatric radiology
- Gwen A. Huitt, MD, Best Doctors – infectious disease; Castle Connolly – infectious disease
- William J. Janssen, MD, Best Doctors – critical care medicine
- James R. Jett, MD, Best Doctors – pulmonary medicine; Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
- Robert S. Kantor, MD, Castle Connolly – medical oncology
- Rohit K. Katial, MD, Best Doctors – allergy and immunology; Castle Connolly – allergy and immunology
Jeffrey Kern, MD, Best Doctors – pulmonary medicine; Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
Todd T. Kingdom*, MD, Best Doctors – otolaryngology; Castle Connolly – otolaryngology
Teofilo L. Lee-Chiong Jr., MD, Best Doctors -- sleep medicine; Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
Donald Y. M. Leung, MD, PhD, Best Doctors – pediatric allergy and immunology; Castle Connolly – pediatric allergy and immunology
Steven E. Lommatzsch, MD, Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
David A. Lynch, MD, Best Doctors – radiology; Castle Connolly – diagnostic radiology
Lisa A. Maier, MD, Best Doctors – occupational medicine
Barry J. Make, MD, Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
Richard J. Martin, MD, Best Doctors – pulmonary medicine
Richard T. Meehan, MD, Best Doctors – rheumatology; Castle Connolly – rheumatology
John Mitchell*, MD, Best Doctors – thoracic surgery; Castle Connolly – thoracic and cardiac surgery
Jerry A. Nick, MD, Best Doctors – pulmonary medicine
Amy L. Olson, MD, Best Doctors – pulmonary medicine; Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
Karin A. Pacheco, MD, Best Doctors – allergy and immunology, occupational medicine
William T. Pluss, MD, Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
Donald R. Rollins, MD, Best Doctors – pulmonary medicine
Cecile S. Rose, MD, Best Doctors – occupational medicine, pulmonary medicine; Castle Connolly – occupational medicine
Milene Saavedra, MD, Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
Robert A. Sandhaus, MD, PhD, Castle Connolly – pulmonary disease
Michael D. Schwartz, MD, Best Doctors – critical care medicine, pulmonary medicine
Jeffrey J. Swigris, DO, Best Doctors – pulmonary medicine
Jennifer L. Taylor-Cousar, MD, Best Doctors – pulmonary medicine
Frederick Wamboldt, MD, Best Doctors – psychiatry; Castle Connolly – psychiatry
Mary Laird Warner, MD, Best Doctors – critical care medicine, pulmonary medicine
Richard W. Weber, MD, Best Doctors – allergy and immunology; Castle Connolly – allergy and immunology
Howard D. Weinberger, MD, Best Doctors – cardiovascular disease; Castle Connolly – cardiovascular disease
Michael Weyant*, MD – Best Doctors – thoracic surgery


*These doctors’ primary practices are at The Children’s Hospital and/or University Hospital and have privileges at National Jewish Health.

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Media Resources

We have many faculty members, from bench scientists to clinicians, who can speak on almost any aspect of respiratory, immune, cardiac and gastrointestinal disease as well as lung cancer and basic immunology.

- Accomplishments & Awards
- Annual Report
- Financials

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