

# Nemours Recognized for its Electronic Health Record

## *Only One Percent of Hospitals in the World Earn HIMSS Stage 7 Designation*

The largest trade organization for healthcare information technology just revalidated [Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children](#) as demonstrating the-most sophisticated use of electronic health records. The Health Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS) Stage 7 designation is the highest-possible level and only achieved by 5 percent of hospitals in the U.S. and 1 percent in the world.

"Nemours was among the first health systems in the country to make significant investments in our electronic health record capabilities, because we knew it would help our care teams deliver the safest possible care," said Gina Altieri, senior vice president and chief of strategy integration for Nemours Children's Health System. "This recognition from HIMSS Analytics is a wonderful honor and validation that Nemours' early leadership places us among a small and elite group within the healthcare field."

The Stage 7 designation is for both inpatient and outpatient electronic health records. Reviewers from HIMSS Analytics assessed Nemours' data warehouse, strategic analytics, disaster recovery and information security before issuing the revalidation. Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children first earned the designation in 2012.

"Taking care of children is a special responsibility; Nemours Alfred I duPont Hospital for Children is taking that responsibility seriously as demonstrated by their exceptional use of healthcare information technology and re-validation at HIMSS Analytics EMRAM Stage 7," ssaid James Gaston, senior director, healthcare advisory services group, HIMSS Analytics. "Nemours demonstrated an exceptional use of data-driven decision making with the prolific use of huddle boards showing up to date KPIs and trends for every department from critical care units to environmental services."

[In February 2011](#), Nemours received the prestigious [HIMSS Organizational Davies Award of Excellence](#) for 2010. It is presented to healthcare systems and facilities that effectively use health information technology, such as electronic health records, to improve the safety and quality of patient care.

The other hospital in the system, Nemours Children's Hospital in Orlando, earned the HIMSS Stage 7 designation in 2013.

Nemours is an internationally recognized children's health system that owns and operates the [Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children](#) in Wilmington, Del., and [Nemours Children's Hospital](#) in Orlando, Fla., along with outpatient facilities in six states, delivering pediatric primary, specialty and urgent care. Nemours also powers the world's most-visited website for information on the health of children and teens, KidsHealth.org and offers on-demand, online video patient visits through Nemours CareConnect.

Established as [The Nemours Foundation](#) through the legacy and philanthropy of Alfred I. duPont, Nemours provides pediatric clinical care, research, education, advocacy, and prevention programs to families in the communities it serves.

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