

Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center fills care gap with nationally recognized maternity care

Annual list helps patients make informed decisions on where to find nation's best maternal care

ROME, GA., Dec. 18, 2025 – Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center has been recognized by U.S. News & World Report in its annual listing of the [“Best Hospitals for Maternity Care.”](#) This annual list helps patients make informed decisions on where to find the nation’s best maternal care based on well above average outcomes of quality measures, such as rates of unexpected complications, C-sections and exclusive breast milk feeding.

Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center was also designated a “Maternity Care Access Hospital” for providing quality care to expectant parents in areas that would otherwise have inadequate access to maternity services. Of the 901 hospitals U.S. News evaluated, only 92 earned both the maternity access destination and a ‘Best Hospital for Maternity Care’ rating.

“These two prestigious honors are a reflection of our dedication to supporting expectant parents through one of the most memorable moments in their lives and a signal of our commitment to rural health,” said Kurt Stuenkel, president of Atrium Health Floyd. “More than 160,000 babies have been delivered at Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center over the past eight decades. We are proud of that history. And we are committed to providing safe, high-quality care to families in our local community while also being a place where parents can feel empowered and well-informed.”

U.S. News began evaluating maternity care hospitals in 2021, rating hospitals that provide labor and delivery services and submit detailed data to the publication for analysis. The U.S. News Best Hospitals for Maternity Care methodology is based entirely on objective measures of quality, such as cesarean section rates in lower-risk pregnancies, severe unexpected newborn complication rates, exclusive breast milk feeding rates, birthing-friendly practices and reporting on racial/ethnic disparities, among other measures.

Across Advocate Health, which Atrium Health is a part, a total of 25 hospitals received the honor of ‘Best Hospital for Maternity Care’, and six hospitals were given the maternity access destination.

About Atrium Health Floyd

The [Atrium Health Floyd](#) family of health care services is a leading medical provider and economic force in northwest Georgia and northeast Alabama. Atrium Health Floyd is part of Charlotte, North Carolina-based [Advocate Health](#), the third-largest nonprofit health system in the United States, created from the combination of [Atrium Health](#) and Advocate Aurora Health. Atrium Health Floyd strategically combined with Harbin Clinic in 2024 and employs more than 5,200 teammates who provide care in over 40 medical specialties at four facilities: Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center – a 361-bed full-service, acute care hospital and regional referral center in Rome, Georgia; Atrium Health Floyd Polk Medical Center in Cedartown, Georgia; and Atrium Health Floyd Cherokee Medical Center in Centre, Alabama; and Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center Behavioral Health, also in Rome. Together, Atrium Health Floyd and Harbin Clinic provide primary care, specialty care and urgent care throughout northwest Georgia and northeast Alabama. Atrium Health Floyd also operates a stand-alone emergency department in Chattooga County, the first such facility to be built from the ground-up in Georgia.

About Atrium Health

[Atrium Health](#) is a nationally recognized leader in shaping health outcomes through innovative research, education and compassionate patient care. Based in Charlotte, North Carolina, Atrium Health is part of [Advocate Health](#), the third-largest nonprofit health system in the United States. A recognized leader in experiential medical education and groundbreaking research, [Wake Forest University School of Medicine](#) is the health system’s academic core. Atrium Health is renowned for its top-ranked pediatric, cancer and

heart care, as well as organ transplants, burn treatments and specialized musculoskeletal programs. Atrium Health is also a leading-edge innovator in virtual care and mobile medicine, providing care close to home and in the home. It is ranked nationally among U.S. News & World Report's Best Hospitals in eight pediatric specialties and for rehabilitation. With a commitment to redefine care for every community it serves, Atrium Health provides nearly \$3 billion in free and uncompensated care and other community benefits.

About Advocate Health

[Advocate Health](#) is the third-largest nonprofit, integrated health system in the United States, created from the combination of Advocate Aurora Health and Atrium Health. Providing care under the names [Advocate Health Care](#) in Illinois; [Atrium Health](#) in the Carolinas, Georgia and Alabama; and [Aurora Health Care](#) in Wisconsin, Advocate Health is a national leader in clinical innovation, health outcomes, consumer experience and value-based care. Headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina, Advocate Health services nearly 6 million patients and is engaged in hundreds of clinical trials and research studies, with [Wake Forest University School of Medicine](#) serving as the academic core of the enterprise. Advocate Health is nationally recognized for its expertise in heart and vascular, neurosciences, oncology, pediatrics and rehabilitation, as well as organ transplants, burn treatments and specialized musculoskeletal programs. Advocate Health employs more than 160,000 teammates across 69 hospitals and over 1,000 care locations and offers one of the nation's largest graduate medical education programs with over 2,000 residents and fellows across more than 200 programs. Committed to redefining care for all, Advocate Health provides more than \$6 billion in annual community benefits.

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