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Six Holy Family Hospital Physicians Named Top Doctors for 2017

Castle Connolly Medical Ltd. has announced its Top Doctors for 2017 and six physicians on staff at Holy Family Hospital made the list.

Holy Family Hospital's Top Doctors for 2017 are Orthopedic Surgeons Eric Arvidson, MD, Barry Bickley, MD, and Tahsin Ergin, MD; Urologist Steven Previte, MD; Plastic Surgeon George Chatson, MD; and Otolaryngologist Daryl Colden, MD.

Castle Connolly publishes its regional list of Top Doctors to help consumers find high quality health care providers. Castle Connolly Top Doctors are rated in the Top 10 Percent of physicians in their medical specialty in their geographic region, and considered physician leaders within their communities.

"We place a great deal of emphasis on quality at Holy Family Hospital, and it's gratifying to know that an outside organization such as Castle Connolly recognizes the qualifications of our medical staff," says John Alexander, MD, Holy Family Hospital's Chief Medical Officer and Vice President of Medical Affairs, Quality, and Safety. "Our exceptionally trained physicians pay close attention to detail and deliver high quality care to our patients."

Top Doctors are nominated by their peers, and each year the organization receives over 150,000 nominations from physicians nominating those they believe to be among the best in their regions and throughout the nation.

"Our goal is to deliver the best possible health care close to home, and to accomplish that we need outstanding physicians," says Holy Family Hospital President Craig Jesiolowski. "We are proud to have each of these physicians on our Holy Family Hospital team."

Once a physician is nominated, medical education, training, board certifications, hospital appointments, administrative posts, professional achievements, and malpractice and disciplinary histories are scrutinized by Castle Connolly's physician-led research team, which makes tens of thousands of phone

calls each year, to speak with leading specialists, chairs of clinical departments and vice presidents of medical affairs, to gather information.

Castle Connolly's research methodology is designed to identify doctors that will speed patient healing, minimize pain and discomfort, shorten recovery periods, and enhance and lengthen lives, to achieve the best possible outcomes for patients. When research is complete, the doctors among the very best in their specialties, and in their communities, are selected for inclusion.

About Holy Family Hospital

[Holy Family Hospital](#) is a 385-bed acute-care hospital with three campuses: Holy Family Hospital – Methuen, Holy Family Hospital- Haverhill and Andover Surgery Center. Both full-service hospital locations provide comprehensive inpatient, outpatient and 24/7 emergency services to the greater Merrimack Valley and southern New Hampshire. Holy Family Hospital is the proud recipient of the Gold Seal of Approval from The Joint Commission and is one of only 72 hospitals nationwide to earn straight A's since 2012 from independent healthcare industry watchdog The Leapfrog Group, for performance on national standards of safety, quality and efficiency. Holy Family Hospital is the first hospital in Massachusetts to earn Advanced Certification in Hip and Knee Replacement Surgery by The Joint Commission, the premier health care quality improvement and accrediting body in the nation. Holy Family Hospital is Nationally Recognized by BlueCross BlueShield of Massachusetts as a Blue Distinction Center® Plus for excellence in hip and knee replacements and as a Blue Distinction Center® for Spine Surgery. The hospital's strengths include orthopedic care, cancer care, neurology/neurosurgery, general surgery, thoracic and pulmonary care, wound care and hyperbaric medicine, maternity care, and behavioral medicine. Holy Family Hospital is part of the Steward Health Care Systems LLC, the largest integrated community care organization in New England, which combines over 3,0000 physicians, 10 hospital campuses, managed care, insurance programs, home care, an imaging operation, and a number of other post acute services, to provide the most cost effective and highest quality of integrated patient care.

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