## **Best Nursing Homes in Connecticut: 2022 Ratings Released**

The annual list compiled by U.S. News & World Report rates thousands of nursing homes based on care, rate of complaints and more.

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In order to help families choose the right nursing home, U.S. News rated more than 15,000 nursing facilities providing care to 1.1 million people in the United States. (Shutterstock)

CONNECTICUT — the last two years have proved a challenging time for nursing homes in Connecticut. While many facilities continue to face an ongoing battle against the coronavirus, families in Connecticut are still likely to turn to nursing homes to provide short-or long-term care for their loved ones.

One in 10 Americans over the age of 85 is a nursing home resident, according to U.S. News & World Report, which released its 2021-22 list of Best Nursing Homes on Tuesday. Nearly one-third of older Americans spend time in a nursing home during their final months of life.

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This year's list rated 209 facilities in Connecticut. Thirty-five of those received an "Overall High Performing" grade.

To compile rankings, U.S. News analyzed available public data through the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Researchers looked at several outcomes, including COVID-19 vaccination requirements for residents and staff, flu and pneumonia vaccination rates, and infection control violations listed on the resident safety summary.

Ratings were generated based on data publicly available as of July 2021, with additional COVID-19 vaccination data publicly available as of October 2021.

More on the methodology used to compile this year's list of best nursing homes can be found <u>here</u>.

Each facility was then rated on quality of long- and short-term care. Ratings range from high-performing to below average. Facilities were also assigned an overall rating ranging from high-performing to below average.

Out of more than 13,100 nursing homes rated for long-term care, 1,063 were designated as high-performing. Approximately 13,500 facilities received a short-term rating, of which only 1,651 homes earned a high-performing rating.

Here's how nursing homes in Connecticut fared:

CT	Nursing	<b>Home</b>	Ran	kings
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Town	Facility	Overall Rating	Short Stay Rating	Long Stay Rating
Orange	Orange Health Care Center	Better than Average	Average	High Performing

There are 54 nursing homes in the Orange, metropolitan area. Of these, 10 received an overall rating of 5 out of 5.

Orange Health Care Center

225 Boston Post Rd., Orange, CT 06477

SHORT-TERM REHAB Average

LONG-TERM CARE High Performing

Regalcare at West Haven

310 Terrace Ave., West Haven, CT 06516

SHORT-TERM REHAB Average

LONG-TERM CARE Average

West River Rehabilitation Center

245 Orange Ave., Milford, CT 06460

SHORT-TERM REHAB Average

LONG-TERM CARE Average

Gardner Heights Health Care Center

172 Rocky Rest Rd., Shelton, CT 06484

SHORT-TERM REHAB Average

LONG-TERM CARE Average

Bishop Wicke Health & Rehabilitation Center

584 Long Hill Ave., Shelton, CT 06484

SHORT-TERM REHAB High Performing

LONG-TERM CARE High Performing

Hewitt Health & Rehabilitation Center

45 Maltby St., Shelton, CT 06484

SHORT-TERM REHAB Average

LONG-TERM CARE Average

Apple Rehabilitation West Haven

308 Savin Ave., West Haven, CT 06516

SHORT-TERM REHAB Average

LONG-TERM CARE Average

Lord Chamberlain Nursing & Rehabilitation Center

7003 Main St., Stratford, CT 06614

SHORT-TERM REHAB Average

LONG-TERM CARE Average