

Sunway Medical Centre, Sunway City in Petaling Jaya, Selangor, Malaysia, Named Malaysia's No 1 In Paediatrics in Newsweek's World's Best Specialised Hospitals 2027

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Tower F is thoughtfully designed with a child and family-centred approach, featuring age-appropriate furnishings and vibrant, child-friendly spaces for a comfortable environment. Photo courtesy of SMC.

Sunway Medical Centre (SMC) has achieved a major recognition with its first-time inclusion in *Newsweek's* World's Best Specialised Hospitals 2027 ranking.

The hospital was ranked as No 1 in Malaysia for paediatrics, with oncology recognised as a standout treatment within the specialty.

The milestone comes as SMC expands its specialised paediatric services with the opening of Tower F, the hospital's dedicated Children's Tower, further strengthening its ability to provide comprehensive, integrated and family-centred care for children.

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"The debut recognition in *Newsweek's* World's Best Specialised Hospitals ranking is a significant milestone for our flagship hospital, reflecting our advancements in paediatric, oncology, and neurology in the region," said Lau Beng Long, president of Sunway Healthcare Group (SHG).

"This recognition in paediatrics is particularly meaningful and timely as we mark the opening of our purpose-built 216-bedded Children's Tower, which brings together paediatric

subspecialty services, including paediatric haematology and oncology, supported by a multidisciplinary paediatric team.”

Children’s Health and Development Centre

Building on this commitment to specialised care, SMC also houses a Children’s Health and Development Centre encompassing comprehensive paediatric subspecialties among hospitals in Malaysia.

The newly opened Children’s Tower further enhances SMC’s paediatric capabilities with an expanded range of paediatric subspecialties and services within a purpose-designed environment.

The private hospital also pioneered the country’s first dedicated 24-hour Children’s Walk-in and Emergency Department providing urgent, comforting care for infants, children, and adolescents, a comprehensive Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU), and specialised inpatient wards.

Erica Lam, Chief Executive Officer of SMC, said that the recognition reaffirms the hospital’s commitment to clinical excellence and patient-centred care, reinforcing SMC’s position as leader in health care, especially in paediatric services.

“The ranking reflects the depth of our specialised clinical capabilities. With our newly opened Children’s Tower, patients now have access to integrated and comprehensive ecosystem of paediatric care spanning consultations, diagnosis, and treatments, supported by multidisciplinary teams.

“We remain committed to advancing clinical excellence and strengthening specialised health care services to deliver the highest standards of patient safety, satisfaction and outcomes,” she said.

Recognition in paediatrics

The recognition in paediatrics is particularly significant as SMC expands its dedicated services and facilities to meet the health care needs of children across different stages of care.

Beyond clinical capabilities, Tower F has been thoughtfully designed with a child- and family-centred approach, featuring age-appropriate furnishings, vibrant child-friendly environments and views of surrounding green spaces and attractions.

Together, these features support SMC’s holistic approach to paediatric care, considering the needs of both children and their families.

This latest achievement in the World’s Best Specialised Hospitals 2027, which also ranked SMC at No. 1 in Malaysia for neurology and earned high ranking for oncology, further strengthens SMC’s standing across *Newsweek’s* health care rankings.

This follows SMC's recognition for the fourth consecutive year in *Newsweek's* Best Specialised Hospitals Asia Pacific 2026 rankings, earning distinctions across eight specialties, including paediatrics, oncology, and neurology.

SMC was also ranked No. 1 in Malaysia in *Newsweek's* World's Best Hospitals rankings in both 2025 and 2026, and was recognised as Malaysia's top hospital in *Newsweek's* World's Best Smart Hospitals 2026 ranking.

As Malaysia's largest private quaternary hospital and the flagship hospital of SHG, SMC is home to more than 300 resident medical consultants across 80 medical specialties and 28 Centres of Excellence.

Following the opening of Tower F, the hospital's licensed bed capacity has expanded to 961 beds, further strengthening its capacity to provide complex and specialised care across a broad range of medical disciplines.

SMC is also the first private hospital in Malaysia to attain three major hospital-wide accreditations: the Joint Commission International (JCI) Gold Seal of Approval from the United States, Australian Council on Healthcare Standards (ACHS) International accreditation, and Malaysian Society for Quality in Health (MSQH).

The World's Best Specialised Hospitals 2027 ranking assessed hospitals based on three key pillars: international peer recommendations from health care professionals, relevant speciality-specific accreditations and certifications, and the implementation of Patient-Reported Outcome Measures (PROMs). The methodology provides a global benchmark for specialised expertise. -By CodeBlue, codeblue.galencentre.org | 25 September 2026