

U.S. News & World Report's 2026 Best Nursing Homes Names University Place Among Best in Indiana for Short-Term Rehab

WEST LAFAYETTE, IN, UNITED STATES, December 30, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- West Lafayette, Ind. – December 30, 2025 – [University Place, A Franciscan Ministries' community](#), is pleased to announce that it has been recognized as a [Best Nursing Home for 2026](#) for Short-Term Rehabilitation in Indiana by U.S. News & World Report. Since 2009, U.S. News' annual Best

Nursing Homes ratings have assisted families in need of either short-term rehabilitation or long-term care for themselves or a loved one.



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University Place earned its U.S. News Best Nursing Home status by achieving a rating of “High Performing,” the highest possible rating, for Short-Term Rehabilitation. U.S. News gives the designation of Best Nursing Home only to care facilities that satisfy U.S. News' proprietary assessment of consistent performance in quality

measures.

“We are deeply honored that University Place has been recognized as a Best Nursing Home for 2026 by U.S. News & World Report. For families, this recognition offers reassurance and trusted guidance when choosing a community for short-term rehabilitation. For our team, it affirms what we strive to live every day – caring for each person with love, dignity, compassion and respect,” said David Kinder, Executive Director of University Place.

For the 2026 edition, U.S. News evaluated nearly 15,000 nursing homes on patient and resident outcomes. This includes items such as, infection rates, staffing levels, potentially inappropriate reliance on antipsychotic drugs, health inspection results and other indicators of quality.

“U.S. News' Best Nursing Homes ratings put patient well-being at the forefront and provide families with the objective information they need to make confident decisions about their loved ones' care,” said Ben Harder, chief of health analysis and managing editor at U.S. News. “These annual ratings recognize U.S. nursing homes that deliver high-quality care, earning consistent positive outcomes, and support American families in finding local nursing homes that prioritize safety and well-being.”

To calculate the Best Nursing Homes ratings, U.S. News evaluated each facility's performance using a variety of quality measures obtained from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). The publication's methodology factors data such as resident care, safety and outcomes. Both short- and long-term ratings include data on nurse staffing, use of antipsychotic drugs and success in preventing emergency room and hospital visits. The long-term care rating also includes measures of whether a home changed ownership and how well it was staffed on weekends.

A Legacy of Compassionate Care

Rooted in a longstanding tradition of service and guided by a mission to Celebrate Life and Serve with Joy, University Place has a rich history of providing trusted, compassionate care. As part of Franciscan Ministries, the community is supported by the strength, oversight, and resources of a nationally respected nonprofit ministry with more than 130 years of experience in senior living and healthcare. This connection reinforces University Place's commitment to quality, accountability and continuous improvement – giving residents and families confidence and peace of mind in the care they receive. For more information, visit universityplace.org.

About Franciscan Ministries

Franciscan Ministries, sponsored by the [Franciscan Sisters of Chicago](#), is a mission-driven, nonprofit Catholic senior living organization offering independent living, assisted living, memory care, skilled nursing, post-acute rehabilitation and community-based services. In addition, Franciscan Ministries provides third-party management services through Franciscan Advisory Services, a senior housing consulting and real estate development organization that designs, develops, markets and operates a multi-brand portfolio of senior living communities. Franciscan Ministries' charitable programs include a domestic violence prevention center and shelter, as well as a Scholars Program that awards scholarships and provides educational support for students attending all-girls Catholic high schools in the Chicagoland area. For more information, visit franciscanministries.org or call 331.318.5200.

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