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■ For the 13th consecutive year, U.S. News & World Report

has ranked Yale-New Haven Hospital as one of the nation's top hospitals in its annual "America's Best Hospitals" issue, published Monday. Yale-New Haven Hospital was named in 12 of the 17 medical specialties evaluated, including cancer, cardiology, gastroenterology, geriatrics, gynecology, hormonal disorders, kidney disease, otolaryngology, pediatrics, psychiatry, respiratory disease and urology. Of those, Yale-New Haven's geriatrics and psychiatry departments ranked among the nation's Top 10, while cancer, cardiology, gastroenterology, gynecology, hormonal disorders, pediatrics and respiratory disease specialties were all ranked among the top 25. Yale-New Haven Hospital placed second among all New England hospitals, ranking behind Massachusetts General, which was named in 14 specialties.

■ Imperial Capital Express has opened an office in Branford, at 19 S. Main St. A division of Imperial Capital Bank, the company provides multi-family and commercial lending.

■ Chapel Haven in New Haven will receive a gold Connecticut Quality Improvement Award Innovation Prize in October for its Entrepreneurship Program for Persons with Cognitive Disabilities. The Connecticut Quality Improvement Award Partnership's 17th Annual Conference on Quality and Innovation will take place Oct. 13 at the Water's Edge Resort in Westbrook.

■ Easy Spirit, a footwear store for men, women and children, has opened at the Clinton Crossing Premium Outlets off Interstate 95 in Clinton.

■ Barker Specialty Co. Inc. of Cheshire won a 2004 Counselor Top 40 Distributors Award from the Advertising Specialty Institute recently. The annual awards, named for Counselor magazine, recognizes the 40 top sellers of promotional products based on sales for the preceding year.

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