In partnership with the city of Ketchikan, PeaceHealth Ketchikan Medical Center is a critical access hospital servicing rural, remote and patients. PeaceHealth Medical Group: Prince of Wales, in partnership with the City of Craig, provides primary care services, opportunities for telemedicine, and space for visiting specialists to meet with patients.

**Overview**

**Service Area:** Ketchikan Gateway Borough and Prince of Wales Island in southern Southeast Alaska.

**Facts and Figures (July 2021 to June 2022)**

- Total Licensed Hospital Beds: 25
- Total Long-Term Care Beds: 29
- Average Daily Hospital Census: 10
- Average Length of Stay: 3.8 days
- Employees: 468
- Active Medical Staff: 54
- Inpatient Discharges: 919
- Outpatient Clinic Visits: 37,040
- Births: 150
- Surgeries: 1,864
- ED Visits: 7,937

**Major Medical Services**

- Behavioral Health Clinic
- Diagnostic Imaging
- Emergency Medicine
- General Surgery
- Gastroenterologist (GI) Services
- Home Healthcare Services
- Infusion Therapies
- Laboratory
- New Beginnings Birthing Center
- New Horizons Long-Term Care Unit
- Orthopedic Surgery
- Pathology Services
- Rehabilitation (PT/OT/ST)
- Respiratory Therapy
- Sleep Center
- Visiting Specialty Care Clinics
- Urology

**Accreditations and Accomplishments**

- **Quality & Equity** – 2022 Alaska Hospital and Healthcare Association Health Safety / Patient Equity Award
- **Patient Experience** – 2020, Recognized by Becker’s Hospital Review as a top-rated Alaska hospital for patient experience
- **Nursing Excellence** – 2020, American Nurses Credentialing Center, named the first and only hospital and long-term care unit to achieve Pathway to Excellence® designation status at PeaceHealth and in Alaska in July 2020
- **Distinguished service** – 2021, Premier, Inc. QUEST Heroes award for distinguished service in putting patients first amidst the 2020-2021 COVID-19 public health emergency
- **Medical Education** – Accredited by the Washington State Medical Association to provide Category I Continuing Medical Education for physicians and others to improve personal and community health

**Community Health**

Learn more about the community health of Ketchikan in our 2022–2025 Community Health Needs Assessment

**History**

In 1923, the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace first opened the Little Flower Hospital in Ketchikan. The Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace, through their hospital services now known as PeaceHealth, continue to operate the hospital with the same lease agreement approved by the city council in 1960. In 2010, PeaceHealth Medical Group: Prince of Wales was opened in partnership with the City of Craig.

**Geography**

Set at the southern entrance to Alaska’s famed Inside Passage, Ketchikan is located amid the Tongass National Forest, a 17M-acre rainforest. Ketchikan and the surrounding area — composed of a network of waterways and remote island communities — are known for their stunning scenery and rich Alaska Native culture.