

PeaceHealth St. Joseph Medical Center

In 1891, PeaceHealth St. Joseph was the first hospital founded by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace and has provided care to the greater Whatcom County community ever since. The Bellingham medical center is the area's sole community hospital. It is a Level II trauma center providing comprehensive specialty care and centers of excellence in cardiovascular, cancer, spine and joint replacements. Providers at our clinics in Bellingham and Lynden provide a full range of primary and specialty care services.

Overview

Service Area

Whatcom County, Washington. Bellingham is the largest city in the county, representing approximately 40% of the county's population.

Facts & Figures (July 2023 to June 2024)

Total Licensed Beds	255	Inpatient Discharges	15,625
Average Daily Census.....	184	Clinic Visits	422,172
Average Length of Stay.....	4.3 days	Births	1,892
Caregivers	3,197	Surgeries.....	10,471
Physicians and Clinicians	771	ED Visits	69,986

Major Medical Services

- Integrated Cancer Center
- Cardiovascular Center
- Joint Replacement Center
- Spine Care Center
- Haggen Family Emergency & Trauma Center
- Behavioral Health Inpatient Center
- Childbirth Center
- Robotic Surgery
- Grabow Therapy & Wellness Center

Accreditations & Accomplishments

- ★ **Quality & Safety** – 2024 Medicare 4-star overall rating (out of 5) on a variety of patient care, patient experience and quality criteria
- ★ **Quality & Safety** – 2024 'A' rating Leapfrog Hospital Grades for overall quality and safety
- ★ **Cardiac Care** – Blue Distinction Center of Excellence, Blue Cross, Blue Shield Association
- ★ **Maternity Care** – Named an America's Best Maternity Hospital 2024 by Newsweek Magazine
- ★ **Heart Care** – 2024 Healthgrades America's 100 Best Hospitals for Coronary Intervention Award for superior clinical outcomes in coronary intervention procedures (angioplasty with stent)
- ★ **Gastrointestinal Care** – 2024 Healthgrades America's 100 Best Hospitals for Gastrointestinal Care Award for superior clinical outcomes in colorectal surgeries, gallbladder removal, upper gastrointestinal surgery, and treating bowel obstruction, gastrointestinal bleeds, and pancreatitis
- ★ **Gastrointestinal Care** – 2024 Healthgrades America's 100 Best Hospitals for Gastrointestinal Surgery Award for superior clinical outcomes in bowel obstruction treatment, colorectal surgeries, gallbladder removal, and upper gastrointestinal surgery
- ★ **Stroke Care** – 2024 Healthgrades Stroke Care Excellence Award for superior clinical outcomes in the care and treatment of stroke

Community Health

PeaceHealth collaborates with community partners and makes direct investments that improve wellness, access, quality and health justice. **In FY24, PeaceHealth provided \$396,000 in support to WhatcomCounty organizations.**


Community health needs define our priorities. Learn more about the community of Whatcom County in our [2022–2025 Community Health Needs Assessment](#). Community health needs define our priorities and guide us in partnering with community-based organizations to address critical social determinants of health: [food insecurity](#), [housing](#), [access to care](#), and [behavioral health](#).

 Learn more about [Community Impact Investments](#).

Foundation

With the help of generous donors, the [St. Joseph Medical Center Foundation](#) is able to meet each patient's many needs through their healthcare journey, including physical, emotional, financial and spiritual. Charitable support of our services changes lives and strengthens and comforts patients when they need it most.

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 **In FY24, St. Joseph Medical Center Foundation received \$16,854,419 in donations. [Learn more about their results and those of Whatcom Hospice.](#)**

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