

# PeaceHealth United General, Skagit County Community Profile



Located in Sedro-Woolley, PeaceHealth United General Medical Center (UGMC) is a 97-bed critical access hospital serving United General District #304, which covers more than 2,000 square miles in Skagit and Whatcom\* counties, Wash. PeaceHealth Medical Group, with clinics in Sedro-Woolley and Burlington, provides experienced primary care and specialty clinicians. The community also benefits from PeaceHealth United General's close proximity to additional PeaceHealth services in Bellingham.

## Overview

**Service Area:** Skagit County, Wash., including the communities of Sedro-Woolley, Burlington, Concrete, Bow, Lyman, Marblemount, Rockport, Clear Lake, and Hamilton.

### Facts & Figures (July 2016 to June 2017)

Total licensed beds	25
Average daily census	6
Average length of stay	3.46 days
Employees	320
Active medical staff	192
Volunteers	40
Inpatient admissions	607
Outpatient clinic visits	24,753
ED visits	12,294
Surgeries	1,422

### Major Medical Services

- Breast Care Suite
- Cardiology
- Cancer Center
- Diagnostic Imaging
- Gastroenterology
- Nutrition Services
- Pulmonary Rehabilitation
- Pulmonology
- Orthopedics
- Rehabilitation Services
- Surgical Services
- Level IV Trauma
- Urology
- Neurology



## Accreditations & Accommodations

- ★ **Radiation** - 2015, American College of Radiation accreditation for high practice standards
- ★ **Cancer Care** - 2017, Commission on Cancer, Certificate of Accreditation
- ★ **DNV – NIAHO** - 2015-2018, Det Norske Veritas - National Integrated Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations

\* For additional information on Whatcom County, please refer to the PeaceHealth St. Joseph, Whatcom County Community Profile



## Community Benefit

July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

\$347,000.00 Charity Care	(\$870,000.00) Unpaid Cost of State Programs	(\$501,000.00) Total Community Benefit
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## History



United General joined PeaceHealth in 2014 to ensure continued local access to specialized, sustainable and innovative healthcare.

## Region & Economic Profile



Sedro-Woolley's population is approx. 11,476. The area around Sedro-Woolley is surrounded by evergreen mountains, fertile valleys and vistas of the San Juan Islands. The most common employment sectors are Healthcare & Social Assistance, Manufacturing, and the Retail trade.



# Skagit County Community Health Overview

## Service Area Demographics >

41% + of Skagit County residents live in the UGMC service area which is approx. 48,007 residents. Skagit County has approx. 123,681 residents.

- 50.4% ..... adult females
- 49.6% ..... adult males
- 6.1% ..... under age 5
- 22.0% ..... under age 18
- 10.4% ..... adults 18-24
- 14.8% ..... adults 25-34
- 15.1% ..... **adults 35-44+**
- 17.6% ..... **adults 45-54+**
- 19.4% ..... **adults 55-64+**
- 22.7% ..... adults 65+
- 11.6% ..... Veterans (approx. 10,660)

## Race/Ethnicity

- 18% ..... **Hispanic**<sup>++</sup> (WA: 12.4%)
- 2.7% ..... American Indian/Alaska Native<sup>++</sup>

## Socioeconomics

- 36% of all county households in are in poverty or cannot afford basic household expenses (WA: 32%)
- 88.2% adults have a high school diploma (WA: 90.6%)
- \$56,433 median household income (WA: \$62,848)
- 11.3% in Skagit County live below the Federal Poverty Level (WA: 11.3%). Burlington, Hamilton and Concrete having the highest poverty rates

## Top Community Health Concerns

- ✓ Opiate abuse, including heroin and prescription drug use
- ✓ Obesity, diabetes, hypertension
- ✓ Access to behavioral health and mental health services
- ✓ Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)
- ✓ Disparities in healthcare coverage based on race/ethnicity

## Major Health Problems/Gaps, Key Health Indicators & Strategies

Pillar	Major Health Problems/Gaps*	Key Health Indicators <sup>^</sup>	Prioritized Evidence-Based Strategies
Healthy, Active Living	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Obesity, diabetes, hypertension</b></li> <li>• <b>Low fruit and vegetable consumption</b></li> <li>• <b>Youth marijuana use</b></li> <li>• <b>Opioid use</b></li> <li>• <b>Chlamydia rate</b></li> <li>• <b>Lack of places to exercise</b></li> </ul>	Major issues identified include abuse of opiates and associated negative effects. The rate of treatment for opiate addiction is by far the highest in the state.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comprehensive continuum of behavioral health services</li> <li>• Food security initiative</li> <li>• Community Health Worker Program</li> </ul>
Child & Family Wellbeing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Childhood immunization</b></li> <li>• <b>Prenatal care</b></li> <li>• <b>Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)</b></li> <li>• <b>Domestic violence</b></li> <li>• <b>Youth violence</b></li> <li>• <b>Youth depression and suicide</b></li> </ul>	Inequities in readiness to learn among kindergarteners make it harder for children of low-income families and with limited English skills to do well in school. Lower rates of vaccine completion in Skagit County relative to the state negatively impact the health of the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhance primary care and behavioral health integration/coordination</li> <li>• Comprehensive continuum of behavioral health services</li> <li>• Tax levy to support early childhood services</li> </ul>
Health Delivery Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Unaffordable healthcare</b></li> <li>• <b>Lack of mental and behavioral healthcare providers</b></li> <li>• <b>Lack of preventive medical care and primary care</b></li> <li>• <b>Too little case management/care coordination</b></li> </ul>	While overall access to care in Skagit County appears similar to state as a whole, data show that there are significant differences in rates of being insured by race/ethnicity. Addressing these inequities is vital to the health of the community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integration of medical care with dental and mental health</li> <li>• More primary care and dental providers that accept Medicaid and Medicare</li> <li>• Incentives for providers to accept Medicaid patients</li> </ul>

> Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Skagit County 2016; PeaceHealth 2016 CHNA; CentraForce Health.

+ Above avg. populations of middle aged adults (ages 35-44, 45-54, 55-64) compared to rest of Northwest Network, Wash. Sources: CentraForce Health; U.S. Census Bureau, Skagit County 2016.

++ Above avg. Hispanic population compared to the rest of the Northwest Network and Wash. state. Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Skagit County 2016.

+++ Above avg. American Indian/Alaska Native population. Wash. avg. is 1.9%. Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Skagit County 2016.

\* Summarized from interviews with organizations throughout the county representing public health and minority health.

<sup>^</sup> Based on primary data from Robert Wood Johnson's 2016 County Health Rankings and other state sources.