PeaceHealth St. John Medical Center, Cowlitz County

Longview-based PeaceHealth St. John Medical Center and Medical Group: Longview provide comprehensive specialty care for more than 185,000 patients per year in Cowlitz County, Washington. PeaceHealth St. John is the area’s sole community hospital and is a Level III trauma center providing dozens of medical specialty services and programs including emergency, trauma, heart, behavioral health, bone and joint, cancer, birthing and women’s services.

Overview

Service Area: Cowlitz County, Washington. The largest population center is Longview, home to more than 35% of Cowlitz County residents, followed by Kelso with approximately 11%.

Facts and Figures (July 2018 – June 2019)

- Total Licensed Beds: 346
- Average Daily Census: 84
- Average Length of Stay: 3.98 Days
- Employees: 1,586
- Active Medical Staff: 176
- Inpatient Discharges: 7,722
- Outpatient Clinic Visits: 188,219
- Births: 783
- Surgeries: 4,015
- ED Visits: 54,511

Major Medical Services

- Advanced Heart & Vascular Care
- Level III Trauma Center
- Kearney Breast Center, Advanced Imaging Services, 3-D Mammography
- Birthing Center
- Outpatient Surgery
- Joint Replacement Center
- Cancer Care
- Behavioral Health Services for Adults/Children
- Women’s Health Services
- Sleep Disorders Center

Accreditations and Accomplishments

- **Stroke Program** - Level III Stroke Center certification and recipient of the American Heart Association’s 2019 Get With The Guidelines® – Stroke Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award for high standard of stroke care
- **Breast Imaging** - Accredited by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers and the American College of Radiology as a Breast Imaging Center of Excellence
- **Critical Care** - 1 of 3 hospitals in Washington to receive the Silver Beacon Award from the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses for top-notch ICU care
- **Breastfeeding Friendly** - The Women’s Wellness & Birth Center is recognized by the Washington State Department of Health as a “Breastfeeding Friendly Washington” Center

Community Benefit

July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019

- Charity Care: $5,154,000
- Unpaid Cost of State Programs: $14,149,000
- Total Community Benefit: $19,981,000

History

Serving the community’s healthcare needs for more than 70 years, PeaceHealth St. John is a community-governed, nonprofit organization established by the Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace in 1943. Today, as one of the community’s largest employers, PeaceHealth employs approximately 1.5% of Cowlitz County’s population.

Geography

Cowlitz County is located on the Columbia River in southern Washington, adjacent to the Portland metropolitan area. A predominantly rural area, Cowlitz County is home to the stunning Mt. St. Helen’s National Volcanic Monument.