

SouthEast Alaska Regional Health Consortium

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SEARHC Organization

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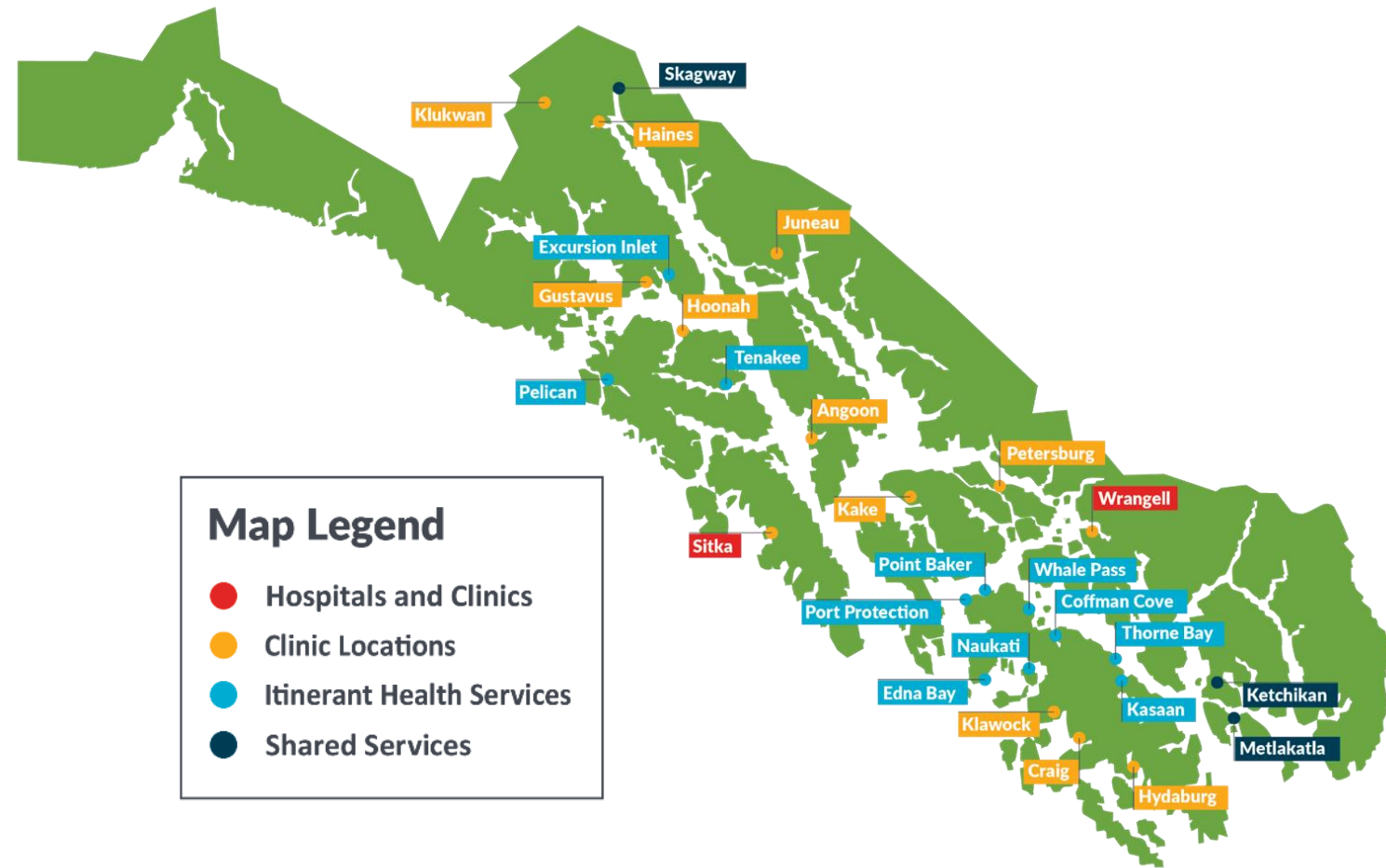
Alaska Native People working in partnership to provide the best healthcare for our communities

VISION

Partnering with our communities to promote a healthy balance of mind, body and spirit

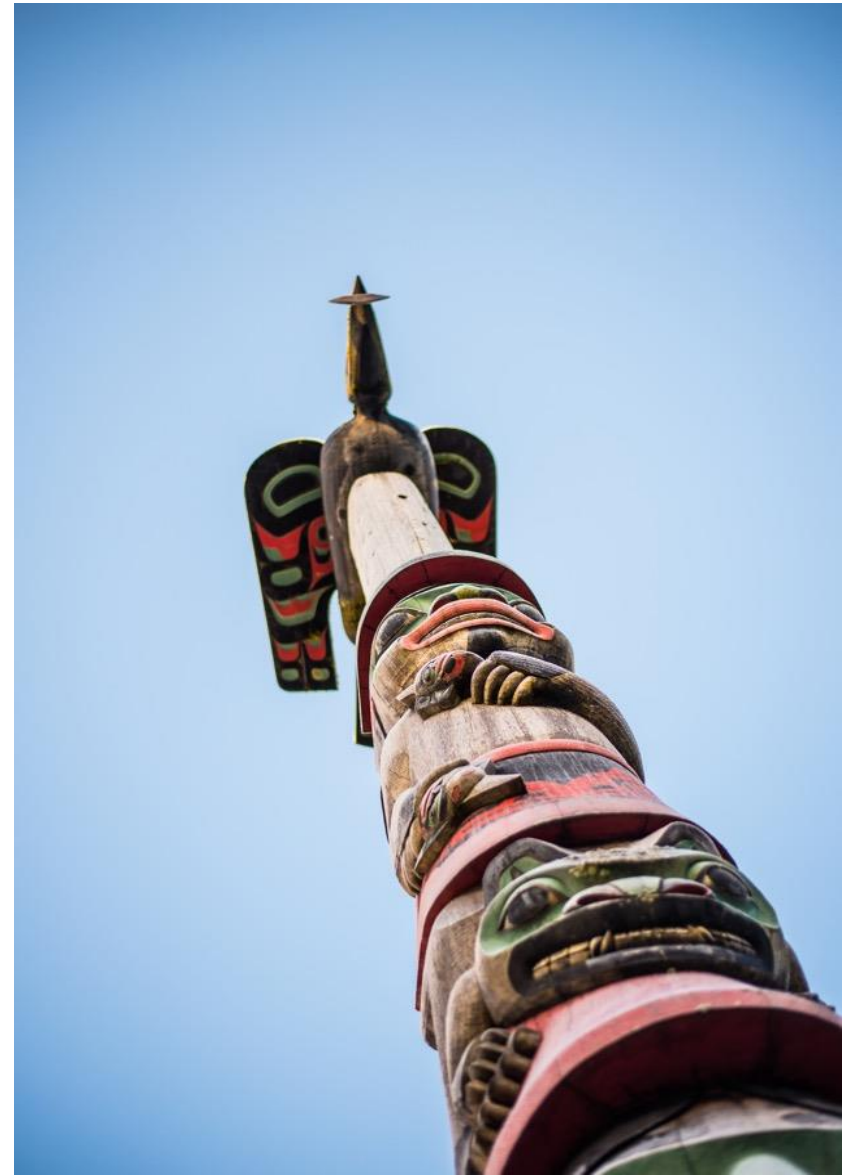
VALUES

- Respect
- Cultural Identity
- Service
- Professionalism
- Compassion



SEARHC History

- In 1975, Congress passed the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act
- This gave Alaska Native tribes the option of assuming the operation of health services in their communities
- In 1976, SEARHC was one of the first organizations to contract with the Indian Health Service, the federal agency responsible for ensuring that comprehensive public health services are available to American Indian and Alaska Native people
- In 1982, the contract was expanded to include the operations of the Indian Health Service Juneau clinic, now the Ethel Lund Medical Center
- In 1986, SEARHC assumed operation of the hospital in Sitka, now Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center



About our Board

- SEARHC Board of Directors (Board) serves as the Consortium's chief policy-making body
- The Board comprises 15 individuals who oversee all functions and programs
- Board representatives are elected by the tribal governing body in each participating community
- The Board is guided by the Consortium's values, vision and mission that are inclusive of all people living in the Southeast region



SEARHC Board of Directors



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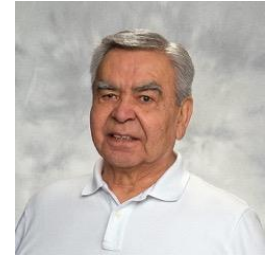
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*Director, Behavioral
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SEARHC at a Glance

- SEARHC provides healthcare in **27** communities in Southeast Alaska
- SEARHC operates two hospitals:
 - **Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center**, a 25-bed critical access hospital providing acute care, critical care, obstetrics, surgery, perioperative care, swing beds, rehabilitation and ancillary services.
 - **Wrangell Medical Center**, a critical access hospital with eight acute care/swing beds and 14 long term care beds, rehabilitation and ancillary services
- Employs approximately **140** providers
- **1,400** employees and contractors
- Annual revenue of **\$344 million** and net operating income of **\$113 million** for fiscal year (FY) 2021

Total Clinic Visits – **130,000**
Specialty Clinic Visits – **10,000**
Telehealth Encounters – Medical **6,875**
Telehealth Encounters - Behavioral Health **21,000**
Rehabilitation (PT, OT, Speech) Visits – **24,500**
Optometry Visits – **6,300**
Dental Clinic Visits – **38,000**
Outpatient Behavioral Health Visits – **35,500**
Prescriptions Filled – **270,000**
Lab Tests Performed – **663,000**
Hospital Bed Days – **4,500**
Swing Bed Days – **2,300**
Babies born at Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital – **80**
Surgeries at Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital – **1,650**

Regional Hospitals

Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center, Sitka

Population: 8,689

458 employees



Wrangell Medical Center

(new facility opened in February 2021)

Population: 2,521

80 employees

Regional Clinics



Ethel Lund Medical Center, Juneau

Population: 32,094

207 employees



Haines Health Center

Population: 2,526

49 employees

Alicia Roberts Medical Center, Klawock

Prince of Wales Population: 5,000

47 employees



Specialty Care & Partnerships

SEARHC Employed Specialists

- Orthopedics
- Ear Nose and Throat
- General Surgery
- Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Interventional Pain
- Audiology

SEARHC Strategic Partnerships

- Swedish Medical Center
- Alaska Native Medical Center
- Seattle Children's Hospital
- Neurology, Rheumatology, Cardiology, ENT, Dermatology, Podiatry, Urology, Sleep, Hepatology, Ophthalmology, Orthopedics
- Pediatric Endocrinology, Pediatric Neurology, Pediatric Cardiology



SEARHC Strategic Plan

SEARHC Strategic Plan 2022-2024

Employer and Provider of Choice

SEARHC will attract and retain the best employees and providers. SEARHC believes that a strong and engaged workforce will better enable the organization to deliver consistent, high-quality care and service to its communities.

Goal 1 - Employer of Choice

Goal 2 - Provider of Choice

Goal 3 - SEARHC Awareness

Seamless Healthcare Delivery

SEARHC will partner with its providers, communities and other organizations in enhancing the system of care for our patients to best support positive health outcomes.

Goal 1 - Continue to Expand Specialty Services at SEARHC

Goal 2 - Complete Primary Care Redesign

Goal 3 - Complete Behavioral Health Redesign

Goal 4 - Identify ways to continue to utilize technology to enhance our care delivery model and patient experience

Intentional and Strategic Growth

SEARHC will thoughtfully evaluate and plan for new growth opportunities, ensuring strategic alignment.

Goal 1 - Juneau Expansion

Goal 2 - Complete Construction of New Hospital in Sitka

Goal 3 - Continue to Build on Current Strategic Partnerships

Goal 4 - Evaluate Other Strategic Growth Opportunities

Why SEARHC?

Benefits of an Affiliation with SEARHC:

Expedited path to a new hospital in Petersburg

Access to coordinated and advanced specialty care close to home

Economy of scale for shared services

- Practice Management
- Financial Operations
- Regulatory Oversight/Compliance
- Performance Improvement
- Human Resources
- Recruitment Assistance
- Information Technology
- Marketing
- Strategic Planning
- Business Development
- Grant Support
- Revenue Cycle
- Accounting
- Procurement and Supply Chain
- Facilities Oversight
- Biomedical Support



Past SEARHC Mergers and Affiliations

- Haines Medical Center
- Sitka Medical Center
- Lynn Canal Counseling
- Alaska Islands Community Services – Wrangell, Gustavus, Front Street Clinic
- Wrangell Medical Center
- Sitka Community Hospital
- Petersburg Mental Health
- Dental Clinic in Petersburg





 **SEARHC**
healthy is **here.**