



SEARHC

SOUTHEAST ALASKA REGIONAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM

Scope

MISSION

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 1976, SEARHC began operating with a clinic in Juneau.
- In 1986, SEARHC assumed operation of the hospital in Sitka.
- Today, healthcare is available in 27 communities across SouthEast Alaska.



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.



Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center Groundbreaking
June 2022

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Regional Hospitals



Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center, Sitka

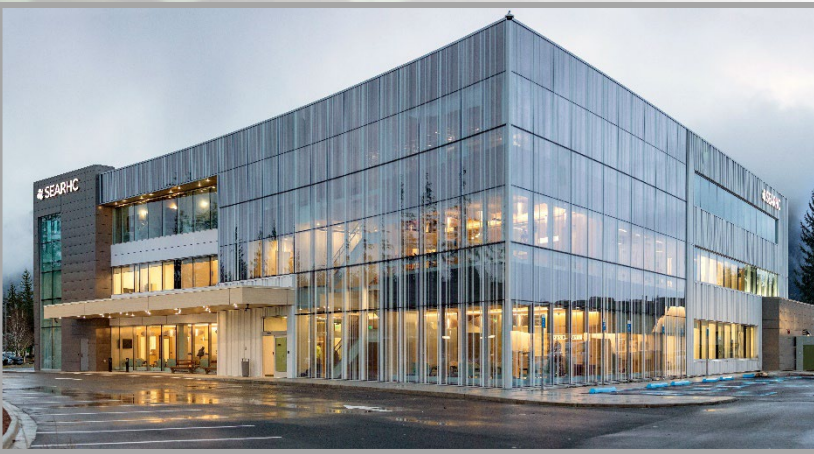
Population: 8,689
458 employees



Wrangell Medical Center

Population: 2,521
80 employees

Regional Clinics



Vintage Park Campus, Juneau

Population: 32,094

94 employees

*(Urgent Care, Imaging, Lab opened December 2023;
Primary Care, Pediatrics, Behavioral Health, Pediatric
Physical Rehab opened January 2024)*



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

- Audiology
- Ear, Nose and Throat
- Cardiology
- General Surgery
- Interventional Pain
- Obstetrics & Gynecology
- Orthopedics
- Sleep Studies
- Surgical Podiatry
- Wound Care

SEARHC | Strategic Partnerships



- Cardiology
- Dermatology
- ENT
- Neurology
- Rheumatology
- Sleep
- Surgical Podiatry



- Cardiology
- Dermatology
- Hepatology
- Neurology
- Ophthalmology
- Orthopedics
- Podiatry
- Rheumatology
- Urology



- Cardiology
- Endocrinology
- Neurology

SEARHC at a Glance

- SEARHC provides healthcare in **27** communities in Southeast Alaska
- SEARHC operates two hospitals:
 - **Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center (MEMC)**, a 25-bed critical access hospital providing acute care, critical care, obstetrics, surgery, perioperative care and swing beds.
 - 19 Long-Term care beds
 - **Wrangell Medical Center (WMC)**, an 8-bed critical access hospital providing acute care and swing beds.
 - 18 long-term care beds

1,600
SEARHC Employees

27
SEARHC Communities

140
SEARHC Providers

Strategic Growth

New Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center



Vintage Park Campus



Mt. Edgecumbe Medical Center (MEMC)

25 Bed Critical Access Hospital / Family Medicine Lead

- Level IV trauma center and 5 bed ER
- 2 Bed Open ICU
- 2 ORs with 24/7 Gen Surg and Ortho On-Call
- CRNA and Respiratory support
- 3 L&D rooms; 100 deliveries per year
- 24/7 High Risk OB Support
- Procedures: Thoracentesis, Paracentesis, Central /PICC lines, Cardioversions
- Peer Mentorship
- CME / ATLS, CALS, ACLS, ALSO, NRP / POCUS



Expanding Substance Use Treatment

- Rigorous wrap-around medical and behavioral services with daily medication support
- Evidence based treatment that maintains people in sustained treatment longer than other interventions
- Proven to reduce deaths, risk of overdose, HIV, Hepatitis C, unnecessary emergency and hospital visits
- Maximizes patient safety and minimizes diversion
- Helps break the destructive cycle and consequences of opioid addiction –
 - Restores family connections
 - Promotes safe and stable housing
 - Supports return to work
 - Provides purpose and direction
 - Reduces crime

Opioid Use Disorder Programs

- Juneau – Opened in February 2022
 - Front Street – Downtown
 - Front Street – Lemon Creek
- Sitka – Opened in March 2023
- Klawock – Opened in October 2023
- Staffed by Board Certified Addiction Medicine Physician, Addiction and Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners, Pharmacists, Nurses, and Skilled Substance Abuse Counselors, Case Managers, and Support Staff

Sitka Based Substance Abuse Services

- Supervised, supported recovery-based housing:
 - 20 beds
 - Clean, Safe, Respectful, Therapeutic Environment
 - Up to 16+ weeks of supported housing and active treatment
 - Open to all residents of SE Alaska
- Program is grounded in an evidence-based approach of psychoeducation and skill building promoting early recovery, relapse prevention, and preparing for long-term recovery.
- Incorporates nationally recognized Tribal White Bison Curriculum – culturally guided process combining power of traditional healing, teaching, and spirituality to support recovery.
- Offers 34 virtual and face to face group offerings per week – 7 days per week focused on building healthy relationships, coping and skill building, understanding thoughts and feelings, and creating pathways toward recovery.
- All individual and group offerings are available upon return to home community.

Thank you

