

St. Joseph's Hospital

History

At the height of The Great Depression in 1934, the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany opened the doors to a Catholic hospital in the small port city of Tampa. Grounded in the Sisters' belief that all people should be cared for, regardless of race, age or ability to pay, **St. Joseph's Hospital** focused on making quality health care accessible for everyone. In 1967, the Sisters moved the hospital to its current home on Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. and experienced a renaissance of expansion and technological advancement.

Today, St. Joseph's Hospital is the largest not-for-profit health care provider in Hillsborough County, serving the needs of the community with enthusiasm, commitment and a forward-thinking approach to health care. St. Joseph's currently is in the midst of developing a new, state-of-the-art hospital, called St. Joseph's Hospital-North, in the rapidly growing area of northern Hillsborough County. The facility is scheduled to open in late 2009. St. Joseph's Emergency Center is one of the busiest in the region, often caring for the most seriously injured patients in the Tampa Bay area. St. Joseph's also features a helicopter transport program and Level II Trauma Center. In addition, St. Joseph's Cancer Institute, an affiliate of the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, diagnoses and treats more Hillsborough residents for cancer than any other facility in the region.

Statistics (2007)

Year Founded	1934
Beds	527
Heart Surgeries	562
Physicians On Staff	767
Employees	3,036
Outpatient Surgeries	11,192*
Discharges	26,132
ER Visits	82,050
Lab Tests	2,294,723**
Total Community Benefit	\$47 million***

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Cancer
Heart
Neurosciences

*Total includes endoscopy.

**Represents unreimbursed costs for traditional charity care, Medicaid and county welfare programs, indigent care fund payments and unbilled community services.

Fast Facts

- Awarded The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval for Primary Stroke Care and recognized as a Comprehensive Stroke Center by the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration
- Received two Thompson Top 100 Hospitals awards in 2007: National Benchmark Award and the Cardiovascular Benchmarks for Success.
- Named a "Distinguished Hospital" for Service Excellence by J.D. Power and Associates in 2005 and was the first in the Tampa Bay area to receive this distinction
- Named one of America's Best Hospitals in two categories in 2003 by "U.S. News and World Report"

On the Web: <http://www.sjbhealth.org>