

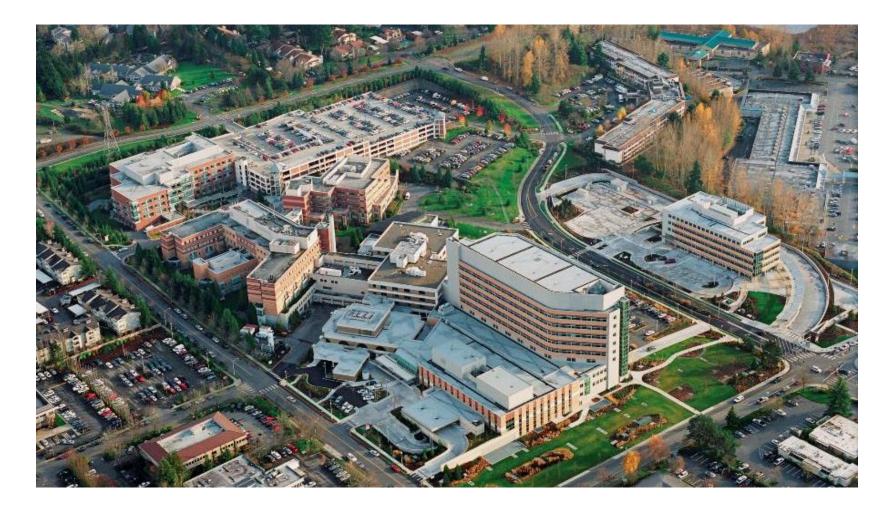
Your Community-Owned Hospital

# An Update from EvergreenHealth

**Redmond City Council** 

June 6, 2023





### King Country Public Hospital District #2: EvergreenHealth

**318**-bed acute care hospital serving Kirkland, Redmond, Duvall, Woodinville, Sammamish, Bothell and Kenmore















**4,529** Babies Welcomed

**15,000** Inpatient Admissions

9,600 4 Home O Health Patients

413,0002 EmergencyOutpatient<br/>VisitsDepartments<br/>7 Urgent<br/>Care Centers

**15**-bed Hospice Care Center

**330**physician Multispecialty Group

13 Primary Care Practices

**48** Specialty Practices

Post Acute Care – largest Home Health / Hospice Care in Puget Sound Region

• Home Care Services include Hospice, Home Health, Behavioral Health







### **Recognition of Our Care**



PULMONARY CARE DISTINCTION

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AMERICA'S 100 BEST

FIVE-STAR RECIPIENT

**EXCELLENCE AWARD** 

Pulmonary Care (2014-2023)

Pulmonary Care (2011-2023)

Treatment of Pneumonia (2006-2023)

Treatment of Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (2012-2023)

**PATIENT SAFETY** 

PATIENT SAFETY EXCELLENCE AWARD

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# **Our Commitment to the Community**

\$34 million total in Community Benefit programs

- Example of longstanding community programs, including:
  - Healthline, 24/7 nurse triage call line for everyone
  - Commitment to Youth Mental Health
    - Partnership with Northshore School District
    - Youth Mental Health Taskforce
  - Community Healthcare Access Team
  - Community Advisors Program
  - Community Health Education Programs
  - Support for Senior Centers on the Eastside



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# What's New?

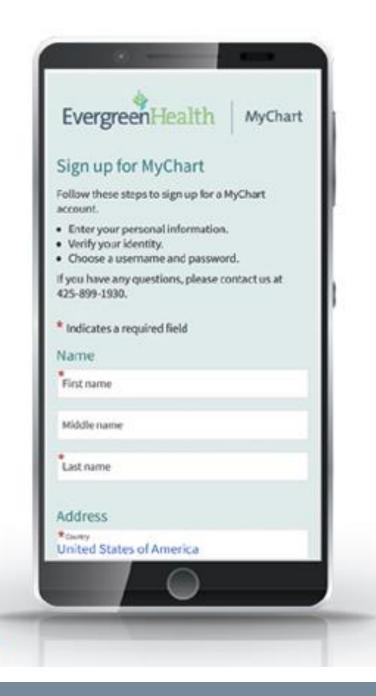
# Family Maternity Center Construction Upgrades

- Renovation of Labor and Delivery Unit and OB Emergency Department
- Expansion of NICU beds
- Adding spaces: classroom, family lounge, and staff work rooms to support team-based care delivery model



## **New Software**

- Last October, EvergreenHealth transitioned to a new electronic medical record (EMR) platform, Epic.
- Epic provides a seamless and integrated health care experience for patients and families.
- EvergreenHealth patients can now sign up for the online patient portal, MyChart.
- MyChart makes it easier than ever to communicate with your health care providers, schedule appointments and pay your bills – all from a single account, accessible from any device.



## **Access to Care is a Big Concern**

#### **Longer Stays**

- Ageing population means sicker patients who need more care.
- Lack of post-acute care options creates a backup in the hospital.

#### **Staffing Constraints**

- Professionals leaving healthcare faster than new people being trained.
- Labor costs are extremely high, causing an instability in hospital finances.



#### **Limited Bed Capacity**

- Puget Sound region is under bed capacity per capita.
- Population on Eastside continues to grow.
- Behavioral health patients don't have many other care options.

#### **Negative Patient Impact**

- Longer wait to be seen in the E.R. because of back-up in the hospital.
- Longer wait times to get apts. for surgeries.
- Potential for certain services to close.

## **Public Opinion Research (June 2022)**

Residents are clear on funding priorities: expanding available beds and mental health care are top concerns. EvergreenHealth priorities\*

Top priority | high priority Capacity for mental health 25% 70% Hospital capacity and 23% 70% beds Emergency preparedness 64% 24% plans Programs for high-risk 24% 60% groups 53% Clinic space / easier appts 14% Technology to improve 15% 48% access

\*If EvergreenHealth were to have more funding, here are some different ways that funding could be used. Please tell me how big a funding priority you think each of the following is...



### **EvergreenHealth Must Grow**

- Inpatient and intensive care hospital bed capacity is currently inadequate in our region.
- We must also be ready for pandemics, earthquakes, mass casualty events and other emergencies.
- We need to start soon to be ready for the decade ahead.

Independent not for profit hospitals generate small margins. It's thus hard to do capital projects. But public hospital districts have a unique advantage - facility investments can be funded by taxpayers who care about having excellent accessible health care close to home.

The Board of Commissioners determined not to place a levy measure on the ballot until the hospital finances are more stable.

# **Questions?**



### We are a resource to you!

### How can we best support you and our shared community?

- Speakers & Presentations
- Addressing Youth Mental Health Issues
- Sharing EvergreenHealth's service lines with your organization
- Volunteering

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