

NOVEMBER 2020 Hot Topics

Cancer Support

Patients can find relief from the stressful financial burden of a cancer diagnosis through our assistance with gas and groceries, free screenings, and support groups.

Orthopedic Services

Our hospital is known for its award-winning Orthopedic Services for bone and joint issues. Ranked among the **top 10%** in the nation for joint replacement surgery by HealthGrades. Nearly **500** knee surgeries and **300** hip surgeries are performed per year.

Emergency Department Over **85%** of patients are seen by a Board-certified physician in under **30** minutes, exceeding nationwide average wait time by 15 minutes. Over **2,000** patients are seen per month.

Imaging Services A new outpatient diagnostic center with state-of-the-art technology including a CT scanner, X-ray machine, ultrasound and bone density (DEXA) scanner provides readily accessible care in a comfortable setting.

Expanded Cancer Care Services Services are being expanded in a space completely dedicated to cancer treatment, recovery and education with a care team including oncologists, a nurse navigator, dietician, social worker and pharmacist.

Dignity Health's Five Core Values

Compassion • Inclusion • Integrity • Excellence • Collaboration

Acute Rehabilitation

The **20-bed** Acute Rehabilitation Center is the only one of its kind within a 100-mile radius.

Stroke Certified since 2015

Received Advanced Primary Stroke Center Certification by the Joint Commission. Offers specialized services for stroke patients.

Opened in **1962** by four pioneering, community-focused physicians with the same spirit that guides the hospital strategy today.

2019 #'s

2,672 admissions
23,573 ER visits
602 inpatient surgeries
808 outpatient surgeries
8,724 CT scans
1,576 MRI scans

Beds: 67 (39 General Care, 20 Acute Rehabilitation, 8 Intensive Care) **Overview**

Employees: 387

Medical Services Available: Acute Rehabilitation;

Cancer Care; Emergency Services; Surgery; Imaging; Intensive Care; Laboratory Services; Medical/Surgical Inpatient Care; Neurological Care; Orthopedic Services; Physical, Speech and Respiratory Therapy

Service Area Cities: Arroyo Grande, Oceano, Grover Beach, Pismo Beach, Nipomo Population: 79,811
In 2015, the South County service area was declared a

Medically Underserved Area/Population

by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This means that residents in the area have a shortage of health services and the area includes large groups of people who face economic, cultural, or linguistic barriers to health care. This makes AGCH an important

Last month we learned:

Randall Hallett of Gobel Consulting discussed fundraising during a pandemic. More people are giving to nonprofit hospitals than before the current pandemic. Many are unsure of where to give, so they give to organizations that reach out to them. The best way to engage prospects is through frequent communication.

Our Hospital

Mission Dignity Health and Arroyo Grande Community Hospital are committed to furthering the healing ministry of Jesus. We dedicate our resources to delivering compassionate, high-quality, affordable health services, serving and advocating for our sisters and brothers who are poor and disenfranchised, and partnering with others in the community to improve the quality of life.

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AGCH Foundation

began operating in 2006 to support the mission of the hospital.

Arroyo Grande Community Hospital Foundation

SupportArroyoGrande.org



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Upcoming Dates

CPPF and HTSS Celebration (Zoom): Sunday, November 15th

Next Board Meeting: December 3rd

Call-a-thon: December 8th

Comedy Night: March 13th, 2021

Our Current Funding Priorities:

- Emergency Support Fund
- Mission Hope Arroyo Grande:
 - Cancer Care Fund
 - Cancer Rehabilitation Program
 - Transport to Treatment Program
- Acute Rehabilitation Center:
 - Recreational Therapy Program
- Behavioral Health Services
- Parking Solution
- Surgical Services
- Spiritual Care Services

Breast Cancer Awareness Month Fundraising

Trilogy Bows Up for Hope Campaign – nearly \$25,000 raised so far to benefit the Cancer Care Fund



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Cypress Ridge Campaign for Cancer Awareness – nearly \$5,000 so far to benefit the Cancer Care Fund, Transport to Treatment Program, and Cancer Rehabilitation Program

Call-a-thon

Help us make critical upgrades to the OR!

If you are available to help on December 8, please contact Kim Goodwin at 805-310-3065.

If you or someone you know would like to make a seed gift, please contact the Foundation at 805-994-5421.

