



# Petersburg Medical Center

Borough Assembly Report – September 2023 – Phil Hofstetter, CEO

## FY24-28 Strategic Plan Goals, Priorities, and Benchmarks

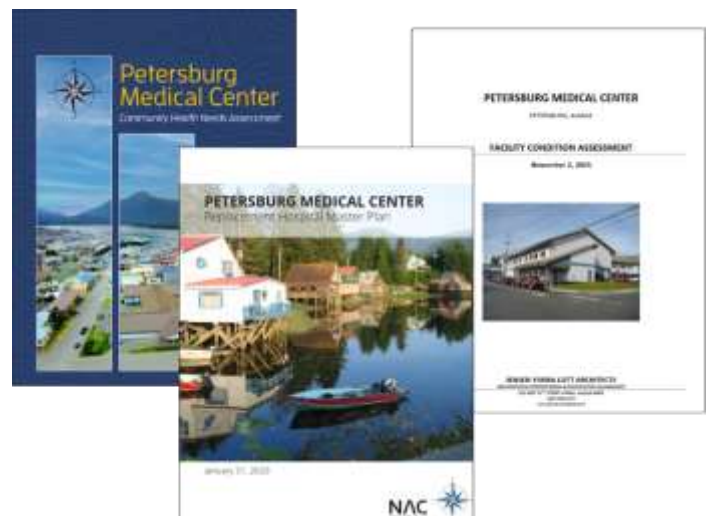
### Workforce Wellness:

- As part of advocacy, training and professional development, PMC staff and two board members will attend the annual Alaska Hospital & Healthcare Association (AHHA) conference in September. This conference brings together members and partners from facilities and communities throughout the state to discuss current topics, challenges, and opportunities across Alaska's healthcare system. It's a chance to share best practices, resources, and innovative solutions and to network with colleagues across the continuum of care.
- CEO "office hours" will be scheduled as an open-door opportunity for ALL staff. This will be a reinvention of the previous "Coffee with Phil" concept and an opportunity to have a rotation of managers, medical, subject matter experts and board members with the CEO available to staff. Specific day(s)/time(s) to follow which allows employees more access to leadership and the board.
- Using activities and the environment is such an excellent way to promote mental and physical well-being, and I want to congratulate PMC physical therapist Andrew Simmons for completing his swim across Fredrick Sound. He is one of only 2 people ever to do so. Read or listen to the [KFSK story](#).
- Congratulations to Don Bieber, who retired from PMC after 16 years.



### Community Engagement:

- In response to community input, the following documents are now on file at Petersburg Public Library for in-library as reference material for public review: (Note: These are also available on the [PMC website](#).)
  - [2015 Facility Condition Assessment](#)
  - [2020 Petersburg Medical Center Replacement Hospital Master Plan](#)
  - [2020 Petersburg Medical Center Replacement Hospital Master Plan Volume 2 Appendix](#)
  - [2022 Community Needs Health Assessment](#)



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- In response to community input, PMC hospital board meetings will now take place in the Borough Assembly Chambers. The standing meeting day continues to be on the fourth Thursday of the month. In order to accommodate KFSK broadcast of the board meeting, the hospital board moved the standard meeting start time to 5:30 pm. Meetings will be adjusted as needed to account for holidays or other scheduling conflicts, but standard notice will be provided should any scheduling changes occur.
- July-August: Home Health community cafes on July 20, 26 and August 3, 9.
- August 3: KFSK Radio PMC Live
- August 7: PMC reports out and provides input at Borough Assembly Meeting
- August 21: PMC provided input at Borough Assembly Meeting.
- September 4 (Labor Day): Registration is now open for the Rainforest Run 10K and half-marathon.



#### Facility:

- Considerable water damage and concern for mold and deterioration of floor and walls was found in the PMC long term care solarium. This area is currently closed due to safety and infection control issues and is being assessed for repair.



- Contract Amendment for Dawson Construction, Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP): At the August 21 Assembly meeting, upon PMCs request, the Borough Assembly authorized PMC to execute a GMP Amendment to the Dawson Construction contract for sitework, in an amount not to exceed \$5,898,643. This was the end result of a public bid process conducted by Dawson Construction during July and August. The bid was awarded to Rock-N-Road Construction, Inc. from Petersburg. PMC will now work with Dawson to determine and schedule the work, pending approval on permits and clearances and a final determination on the source of funding.
- PMC expects final NEPA clearance by early September.
- The new facility plan has been adjusted based on additional information and clarifications related to the \$20 million Treasury grant administered by the State of Alaska. Based on funding requirements, budget considerations, and input from the steering committee and key PMC staff, the overall design has changed, with the total building size for the Wellness, Education and Resource Center (WERC) building at 19,000 sq ft.

- The Primary, Acute and Long Term Care Facility (PALTC) building will be adjacent to the WERC building and be 59,000 sq ft. Note that while PMC plans to complete the PALTC in 2026, we cannot commit to a specific date for this portion of the project until final funding stack is secured.
- Updates: Project updates are available on the PMC website under the “[New Facility & Planning](#)” tab.

#### Financial Wellness:

- FY23 Audit is currently in process. The audit firm is working on data collection, with an expected completion date of October.
- PMC is still awaiting word from the State regarding Exceptional Relief Request. Further information was requested and submitted on 8/4/23 and still pending at this time.
- PMC is still awaiting word on the Treasury Grant following the last round of questions for submission.
- HRSA Grant \$300k for behavioral health was approved.
- Financial performance is improving slowly and will be reported out accordingly.

#### Patient-Centered Care:

- PMC will be implementing DiningRD to enhance menu and nutrition planning for long term care residents. PMC dietary staff will use this software-driven food and nutrition program to help monitor and improve dining and nutrition services for long term care residents.
- PMC received acknowledgment of a HRSA grant award for Rural Communities Opioid Response program which will be a part of the Behavioral Health department. This is a one year \$300k grant.
- Petersburg Medical Center has two exciting new programs to help people improve strength, improve balance and decrease fall risk: Bingocize and Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Better Balance. Classes start the week of September 11, with registration available at the first class. For more information, call 772 - 5580. Class times are as follows:
  - Monday/Wednesday: 10:00-11:00 am, Bingocize
  - Tuesday/Wednesday: 10:00-11:00 am, Tai Ji Quan