



Petersburg Medical Center

CEO Board Report June 2024

Mission Statement: Excellence in healthcare services and the promotion of wellness in our community.

Guiding Values: Dignity, Integrity, Professionalism, Teamwork, Quality

Highlights:

- PMC made the Federal Senator Murkowski’s initial cut of the appropriation list for \$3M. Hopefully, we will make the final list. This will assist in hospital design completion but PMC still needs a substantial amount for the hospital and long term care building itself.
- Registration is now open for the 2024 Pedal/Paddle on July 27. Please show your support for this annual fundraiser by participating and/or donating to this fun event. PMC’s goal is to raise \$24,000 in 2024. Register here: <https://www.pmcak.org/paddle-battle-registration.html>.

Financial Wellness: Goal: To achieve financial stability and sustainability for the hospital.

FY23 Benchmarks for Key Performance Indicators (KPIs): Gross A/R days to be less than 55, DNFB < then 5 days, and 90 Days Cash on Hand

- **Accounts Receivables (AR) Update:** Unfortunately, Accounts Receivables (AR) is still hovering around 80 days. The revenue cycle team continues to work on improving this metric with a target of 55 days. To achieve this, we are actively changing our approach to bring more billing in-house, which should help reduce the AR days. We have posted positions to begin bringing these services within PMC.
- On June 19, I met with the leadership of HRG/Trubridge to discuss these challenges and formulate a plan of correction. He agreed to develop a plan of correction, and we will meet at the executive level every two weeks to monitor progress and make necessary adjustments.
- PMC has been awarded a total of \$116,375 in grants for Summer ORCA Camps, Teen Mental Health First Aid, and School-Based Health Services Grant. This is in addition to the four total continuing multi-year awards, including the \$20M Department of Treasury grant, \$8M for the HRSA grant, \$550K for falls prevention, and \$145K for tobacco cessation. A total of seven grants are pending for FY25-FY29 totaling \$7.8 million. See attached grant report summary.

Budget Review

The Capital and Operational Budget for FY25 are being reviewed by the resource committee and are presented for approval in the packet. The finance team has worked incredibly hard to achieve this goal, and I am pleased to see this result of their efforts.

New Facility: Goal: To expand the capacity and capabilities of the community borough-owned rural hospital through the construction of a new facility, while taking into account the needs and priorities of the local community.

Join the PMC Foundation in supporting continuing education for staff & scholarships for high school seniors!



Pedal/Paddle Battle

SCOW BAY TO SANDY BEACH

Saturday, July 27th
Start at Scow Bay
Paddlers @ 09:30 / Pedalers @ 11:00
BBQ & Prize Drawings at Finish

Register and/or Donate www.pmcak.org

Registration

- Kayaks, Canoes, SUPs, & Bikes welcome!
- www.pmcak.org to register
- \$20 registration (free for kids under 12)

Participant & Sponsor Drawing

- Participants entered for getting sponsors
- Sponsors entered by donating

HUGE PRIZES!

- AK Airlines Tickets
- Mountain Bike
- Rumpl Puffy Blanket

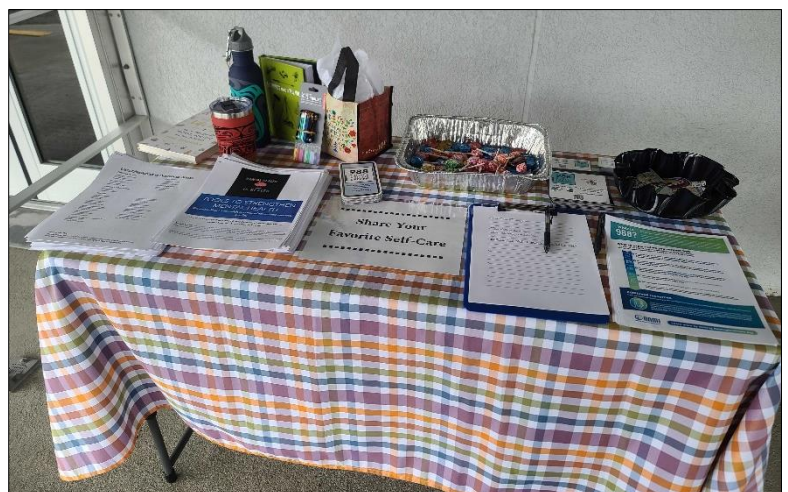


- **Site Preparation:** Site preparation is complete for the full 4.9 acres of wetlands permitting. A small section in the northeast corner of the lot connected to the ballfields will need additional permitting, excavation, and fill development. The WERC building is FULLY funded, on budget with (~\$1M) contingencies, and on time. We really have the “A” Team working on this project. By fall 2025, this building will be complete including an MRI service expansion.
- **Progress on WERC Building:** Progress continues on the WERC building. Here are some recent photos from the site.
- **Notice to Proceed:** The Borough Assembly authorized Petersburg Medical Center to issue a Notice to Proceed to Dawson Construction for full construction of the WERC Building, which adjusted the total Guaranteed Maximum Price to \$14,698,948. Funds for the Notice to Proceed are available from the \$20 million Department of Treasury grant awarded to PMC in December 2023.
- **Tour of the Sites:** The heavy equipment and site prep are largely complete. Upon request, we can take staff, board members, and community members to the site for tours. We are also happy and available to provide tours of our existing facility.
- **Funding:** PMC made Federal Senator Murkowski’s initial cut of the appropriation list for \$3M. This still requires approval but marks an important recognition of the project’s significance. As the state capital budget, Governor’s budget, and state bond approaches, I encourage the community to continue advocating for this project to maintain its status as the Borough’s top federal and state priority for the next fiscal year. This is crucial for securing grants and funding. Additionally, while a USDA direct loan remains an option, it should be considered only as a last resort.
- **Updates:** Project updates are available on the PMC website under the “[New Facility & Planning](#)” tab.



Workforce Wellness: Goal: To create a supportive work environment and promote the physical and mental well-being of hospital staff, in order to improve retention rates and overall productivity.

- To celebrate Mental Health Awareness Month, the Behavioral Health & Community Wellness departments launched a Self-Care Campaign to emphasize the importance of self-care and encourage ongoing mental health conversations within our community. The team set up a table on May 31 for employees to share self-care tips from employees and a chance to win prizes. Employees were encouraged to visit, share their self-care practices, and learn more about maintaining their mental health.



- In addition to Bravo and BetterHelp offerings, PMC provides various activities and opportunities for employee wellness. These include a Parks and Recreation Discount, Healthy Snack Carts, a Lifestyle Balance Program, Health Challenges, Winter Safety Gear, and access to a fat tire bike. Additionally, we host various one-time events to promote health and well-being.
- As health insurance costs and premiums continue to rise nationwide, PMC has also experienced an increase. This year, PMC insurance premiums increased by 10.9%, reflecting a broader trend seen across the country. National statistics indicate similar hikes, underscoring the growing financial burden on both employers and employees in the healthcare sector.
- Employee engagement efforts this month included the new internal newsletter and monthly CEO office hours.

Community Engagement: Goal: To strengthen the hospital’s relationship with the local community and promote health and wellness within the community.

- June 3: PMC reported out at the Borough Assembly meeting and the Borough Assembly authorized Petersburg Medical Center to Issue a Notice to Proceed to Dawson Construction for Full Construction of the WERC Building.
- June 27: KFSK Radio PMC Live.
- July 27: Save the date for the PMC Foundation’s Pedal/Paddle Battle. At this annual event, participants bike or paddle from Scow Bay to Sandy Beach to raise funds to support staff education and HS scholarships. [Register](#) on the PMC website.

Patient-Centered Care and Wellness: Goal: To provide high-quality, patient-centered care and promote wellness for all patients.

- Registration for PMC’s ORCA Camps are now open. The camps include a wide variety of options for youth summer camps. Scholarships for ORCA Camps made possible thanks to WAVE Prevention funding. Register at: www.regpack.com/reg/PMCYouthPrograms.
- Volumes have rebounded in May and into June with summer influx of ER and Acute Care stays.



The graphic features a blue background with a white compass rose in the center. Inside the compass rose is a black silhouette of an orca. The text 'OUTDOOR RECREATION CREATION ADVENTURE' is written in a circle around the top of the compass, and 'PETERSBURG MEDICAL CENTER' is written around the bottom. To the right of the compass, the words 'ORCA CAMPS ENROLLMENT OPEN' are written in large, bold, yellow, block letters.

June 11 - July 3 -- **Run POD**

July 8 - Aug 3 -- **Theater ORCA Camp**

July 22 - July 26 -- **Kayaking Expedition**

Aug 6 - Aug 22 -- **Basketball POD**

August 14-16 & 21-23 -- **Fly-Fishing ORCA Camp**
**fly-fishing enrollment not yet open*

To Enroll: www.regpack.com/reg/PMCYouthPrograms

ED Visits

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Hospital Operations

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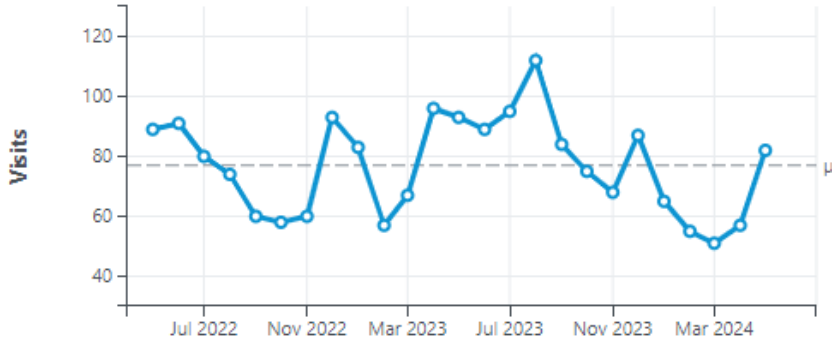
Visits
May 2024

25 (43.9%)

Change from
April 2024

77

Monthly Average
Past 25 Months



- ED Visits
- Benchmark (Critical Access Clients)

Total Encounters

Options ▾

Patient Visits

1,466

Encounters
May 2024

132 (9.9%)

Change from
April 2024

1,089

Monthly Average
Past 25 Months

View By: Aggregate ▾



- Total Encounters

Summary

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