

# Critical Access Hospital Profile Spotlight on: Cando, North Dakota

# **Towner County Medical Center**

## **Quick Facts**

#### **Administrator:**

Ben Bucher, FNP-BC, MBA, LNHA

#### **Chief of Medical Staff:**

Anil Potti, MD

**Board Chair:** Dave Wolsky

#### **City Population:**

1,083 (2019 estimate)1

#### **County Population:**

2,189 (2019 estimate)1

#### **County Median Household Income:**

\$52,300 (2019 estimate)<sup>1</sup>

#### **County Median Age:**

47.6 years (2019 estimate)<sup>1</sup>

#### **Service Area Population:**

60 mile radius of Cando

Owned by: Nonprofit

**Hospital Beds: 20** 

**Skilled Nursing Facility** 

**Beds:** 30

Trauma Level: V

**Critical Access Hospital** 

**Designation: 2007** 

**Economic Impact on the** County<sup>2</sup>

#### **Employment Impact:**

Direct – 95 Secondary – 36 Total – 131

#### **Financial Impact:**

Direct – \$6.35 million Secondary – \$1.5 million Total – \$7.8 million

#### Mission:

Towner County Medical Center (TCMC) provides: total quality comprehensive healthcare; caring and compassionate health services for patients, residents, families and healthcare workers; medical care for all life stages delivered by a professional and expert healthcare team, and a commitment to our communities to maintain and ensure the ongoing provision of quality health services.

County: Towner Address: PO Box 688

Cando, ND 58324

**Phone:** (701) 968-4411 or Toll-free (800) 943-3337

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Towner County Medical Center has many services available including inpatient and outpatient hospital care, long term care, clinical services, retirement housing, and child care.

#### Top quality care with a personal touch ...

Our staff of practitioners specialize in family practice, gynecology, pediatrics, and geriatrics.

The Cando Clinic offers robust family practice, and a full array of medical experts uniquely qualified to diagnose and treat you and your family for a broad spectrum of illnesses. When it is necessary, they will not hesitate to consult with or refer you to a sub-specialist.

We offer a hometown friendly atmosphere. We know our patients by name and many are our neighbors and friends. The medical center combines medical expertise with careful attention to each individual patient. This combination results in our thorough yet personal approach to medical diagnosis and treatment.

#### Services:

Towner County Medical Center provides the following services directly:

- Chiropractic
- Outpatient
- Laboratory
- Podiatry
- Independent senior housing
- Physical therapy
- Inpatient
- Advanced radiology
- Skilled nursing
- Fitness center
- Swing bed

- Daycare
- Nutritional services
- Endoscopy
- Surgery
- Basic care
- Massage therapy
- Pediatrics'
- Ophthalmology
- Telemedicine
- Oncology

# **Staffing**

Physicians:	0
<b>Nurse Practitioners:</b>	
PAs:	2
RNs:	20
LPNs:	
Total Employees:	

# **Local Sponsors and Grant Funding Sources**

- Center for Rural Health
  - SHIP Grant (Small Hospital Improvement Program)
  - Flex Grant (Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility Grant Program)

#### **Sources**

- <sup>1</sup> US Census Bureau; American Factfinder, Community Facts
- Economic Impact 2020
  Center for Rural Health
  Oklahoma State University
  and Center for Rural Health
  University of North Dakota



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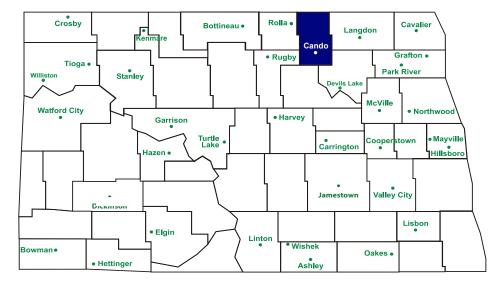
#### Services:

Towner County Medical Center provides the following services through contract or agreement:

- Cardiology
- Orthopedics

- Oncology
- Occupational therapy

### **North Dakota Critical Access Hospitals**



### **History:**

Towner County Memorial Hospital (TCMH) was first constructed on land donated by Phil and Julianne Belzer. The people of Towner County and the Order of the Sisters of St. Francis raised the needed funds to build the original 26-bed hospital. A few years later, a new chapel and chaplain's suite was completed. The size of the hospital nearly doubled in 1968 with an addition that included new patient rooms, an ambulance garage and emergency room, a new laboratory, and a radiology room.

The ownership and direction of the hospital changed in 1992 when the citizens of Towner County pulled together to insure continued access to healthcare. On May 11, 1995, a ground breaking ceremony was held to meet new regulations on handicapped accessibility. Construction began on land donated by the Terry and Babe Belzer Family that included a new medical clinic, dental clinic, emergency room, x-ray suite, physical therapy room, nursing station, a drive through emergency garage, laboratory, medical records, and birthing room. In addition to the new construction, the existing facilities have been renovated, creating a medical center that meets and exceeds all the standards in the industry today.

Special thanks to the patients of Towner County Medical Center for your loyalty to local services and for allowing us the opportunity to meet your healthcare needs today and into the future.

#### **Recreation:**

Cando, located in northeastern North Dakota, is the county seat of the largest durum wheat-producing county in the world. Access to major cities is within a reasonable driving distance of Cando. Winnipeg, Manitoba, is just three hours away, while access to major shopping and medical facilities in North Dakota is within 40 miles. The Cando public school system prepares students for vocational and post secondary training. Adult education courses are also offered. Numerous recreational activities are available for residents of Cando with its city parks, participatory and observational sports, athletic fields, swimming pool, and golf course. Some of the state's best fishing can be found within 40 miles, and the area is abundant with waterfowl, geese, and deer.