Critical Access Hospital Profile
Spotlight on: Hillsboro, North Dakota

Sanford Hillsboro Medical Center

Quick Facts

CEO: Jac McTaggart
Chief of Medical Staff: Charles J. Breen, MD
Board President: Jeff McInnes
City Population: 1,692 (2014 estimate)
County Population: 8,106 (2014 estimate)
County Median Household Income: $53,641 (2014 estimate)
County Median Age: 42.2 (2014 estimate)
Service Area Population: 8,000
Owned by: Nonprofit
Hospital Beds: 16
Skilled Nursing Facility Beds: 36
Trauma Level: V
Critical Access Hospital Designation: 2004

Mission:
Sanford Hillsboro is dedicated to the work of health and healing.

County: Traill
Address: 12 Third Street SE, PO Box 609
Hillsboro, ND 58045
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Sanford Hillsboro has been a vital part of the Hillsboro community for many years. In 2007, a $12.5 million expansion and remodeling project added assisted living services to complement existing medical and living services in Hillsboro and provide a continuum of care for aging residents. Hillsboro joined Sanford Health in 2013 and is the second largest employer in the community. Sanford Hillsboro has services for every member of the family at every stage of life including Sanford clinic, medical center, Comstock Corner assisted living apartments and a long-term, skilled care facility.

Services:
Sanford Hillsboro Medical Center provides the following services directly:

- General acute care
- Emergency room
- Laboratory
- Radiology
- Psychiatric consult
- IV therapy
- Lymphedema management
- Nutrition consult
- Respite care
- Restorative nursing
- Pharmacy consult
- Speech therapy
- Swing Bed
- Bariatric
- Long Term Care/Assisted Living

Sanford Hillsboro Medical Center provides the following services through contract or agreement:

- Physical Therapy
- Pathology
- Radiology
- Chiropractic
- Psychiatry
- Occupational therapy

Economic Impact on the Community*

Jobs:
Primary – 140
Secondary – 70
Total – 210

Financial Impact:
Primary – $4.9 million
Secondary – $2.45 million
Total – $7.35 million

* The impact of jobs and expenditures generated by the hospital within the community was estimated using payroll information and an economic multiplier of 1.5.
### Staffing

- **Physicians:** 2
- **PAs:** 1
- **RNs:** 17
- **LPNs:** 8
- **Total Employees:** 140

### Local Sponsors and Grant Funding Sources

- BNSF Foundation
- Dakota Medical Foundation
- Center for Rural Health
  - SHIP Grant (Small Hospital Improvement Program)
  - Flex Grant (Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility Grant Program)
  - Blue Cross Blue Shield HIT Grant
- Department of Emergency Services - State Homeland Security Grant Program
- Nodak Electric Trust
- North Dakota Community Foundation
- North Dakota Department of Health
- North Dakota Department of Human Services

### Sources

1. US Census Bureau; American Factfinder; Community Facts

### North Dakota Critical Access Hospitals

![Map of North Dakota Critical Access Hospitals]

### History

In 1892, a Norwegian pastor and physician converted a schoolhouse into a hospital. Through the years, the facility has seen many changes in location and names, but has continued to serve the people of the Hillsboro community.

The present facility stands in the heart of Hillsboro on land donated by the Comstock family. Rich in history and proud of its community support, the hospital was built in the 1950’s by volunteers and community funds. In 1964, a skilled nursing home was added and in 1969, ambulance services were added. A Foundation was established in 1986 to serve as the fundraising arm in support of the mission of the facility. In the fall of 1994, a $1.5 million capital campaign helped to build clinic space leased by MeritCare Health System and an attached ambulance garage, physical therapy department and remodeling of the hospital.

In 2006, a community health needs assessment identified assisted living as a needed service to complement the medical and living services available in Hillsboro and provide a continuum of care for aging residents. In 2009, a $12.5 million expansion and remodeling project was completed.

In 2013, Hillsboro Medical Center merged with Sanford Health to create Sanford Hillsboro with a full continuum of service including clinic, hospital, assisted living and long term care.

### Recreation

Hillsboro is in northeastern North Dakota, only 40 miles from two of North Dakota’s largest cities – Grand Forks and Fargo. The economic base of this community is agriculture and contains some of the world’s richest farm soil. Hillsboro’s education system provides services for students K-12. Higher education opportunities are also available at a state university in Traill County as well as four other colleges or universities within 45 miles of Hillsboro which include a medical university and vocational training colleges. Hillsboro takes pride in its many recreational opportunities which feature a nine-hole golf course, large city park with modern municipal swimming pool, shelters, picnic and playground areas. Hillsboro also boasts of many historical facilities which include a restored Victorian home, heritage park with one-room schoolhouse, ag pioneer building and country church.

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