Critical Access Hospital Profile
Spotlight on: Cavalier, North Dakota

Pembina County Memorial Hospital

Quick Facts

Administrator:
Everett Butler, CEO

Chief of Medical Staff:
Susan Thompson, MD

Board Chair:
Tom Ford

City Population:
1,322 (2008 estimate)

County Population:
7,419 (2008 estimate)

County Median Household Income:
$51,141 (2008 estimate)

County Median Age:
41.6 years (2000 estimate)

Area Population: 8,585 people

Hospital Beds: 25

Trauma Level: IV

Critical Access Hospital Designation: 2001

Economic Impact on the Community*

Financial Impact:
Primary – $4,126,946
Secondary – $2,063,473
Total – $6,190,419

Mission:
The mission of Pembina County Memorial Hospital and Wedgewood Manor is to provide a family centered approach to the delivery of health services and to promote a healthy lifestyle to those we serve.

Vision Paragraph:
The vision that guides Pembina County Memorial Hospital and Wedgewood Manor is to develop a Family Centered Integrated Healthcare Organization which provides services that meet the needs of the region, thereby making us their provider of choice.

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Services:
Pembina County Memorial Hospital and Wedgewood Manor provide the following services directly:

- Acute Care
- Care Coordination
- Inpatient and Ambulatory Surgery
- EGD’s and Colonoscopies
- Administration
- Business Office
- Clinic
- CliniCare
- Long-Term Care
- Wedgewood Manor
  Adult Day Care
  Respite Care
- Outpatient Services
  Ambulatory Services
  Cardiac Rehab
  Chemotherapy
  Diabetes Education Center
  Lab
  Physical Therapy
  Rehabilitative Services
  Radiology
  Sleep Apnea Testing
  Audiology

Pembina County Memorial Hospital provides the following services through contract or agreement:

- Anesthesia
- Dietician
- Social Worker
- Radiology Services

Visiting Physician Services Offered:

- Orthopedics
- Ophthalmology
- Ob/gyn
- Podiatry

* 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: 3
Board Certified General Surgeon: 1
Nurse Practitioners: 1
RNs: 18
LPNs: 9
Total Employees: 186

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

2007 City Population, U.S. Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau. Annual estimates (Table 4) (July 2008)
2008 County Population and 2007 County Median Household income
US Census Bureau: State and County QuickFacts.

History:
The history of Pembina County Memorial Hospital dates back to the Summer of 1945 when a group of area residents met to discuss the ways they might honor the veterans of World Wars I and II. The suffering, the devastation, and the loss of untold numbers of human lives—all products of armed conflicts—was still fresh on the minds of many; therefore, it was only natural and fitting that the group settled on building a “living” memorial. That memorial would be in the form of a county hospital. It would be a place of healing, a perfect tribute to the veterans of World Wars I and II. A planning committee, including representatives from each of the county’s townships, was formed and the project was set in motion. Given its central location, Cavalier was selected as the site of the facility, and in 1952, ground breaking took place. In 1953 Pembina County Memorial Hospital opened its doors to the public. Since that time, a 50-bed skilled nursing facility and a 20 unit senior apartment complex have been added.

Recreation:
Cavalier is the county seat of the state’s oldest county, Pembina. Recreational facilities include a swimming pool, tennis courts, bowling alley, city park, movie theatre, skating rink and golf course. The nearest major shopping center is in Grand Forks, ND 80 miles south or Winnipeg, Manitoba, 90 miles north. The Icelandic State Park is six miles west of Cavalier and is located on the north shore of Lake Renwick. A bike path connects the city of Cavalier to Icelandic State Park where camping, boating, swimming, hiking, cross-country skiing and fishing are popular activities. The campgrounds offer full amenities, including electrical hook-ups, modern comfort stations with showers and sleeping cabins. Within the park are the Pioneer Heritage Center, the Gunlogson Homestead and Nature Preserve and restored historic buildings. This early homestead preserves the state’s pioneer spirit, while the 200 acre natural wooded area along the Tongue River is a sanctuary for plants, birds and wildlife.