## Overview of UCHealth's Southern Colorado Region

Fiscal year 2023 (July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023)

Lonnie Cramer, President and CEO UCHealth Southern Colorado Region October 9, 2023



## UCHealth overview

Colorado-owned and operated, nonprofit health system and an independent and separate 501(c)(3) from University of Colorado.



**Mission** 

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In big ways through learning, healing and discovery.

In small, personal ways through human connection.

But in all ways, we improve lives.



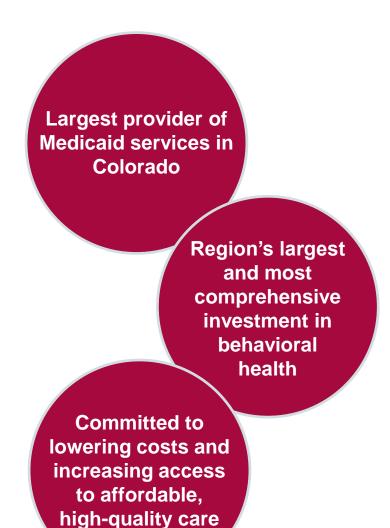
## UCHealth commitment to the community

UCHealth invests in the community through uncompensated care, research, education, partnerships, and health programs.



## \$378M

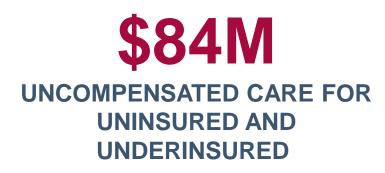
**MORE** PROVIDED IN COMMUNITY BENEFIT BEYOND OUR TAX EXEMPTION.

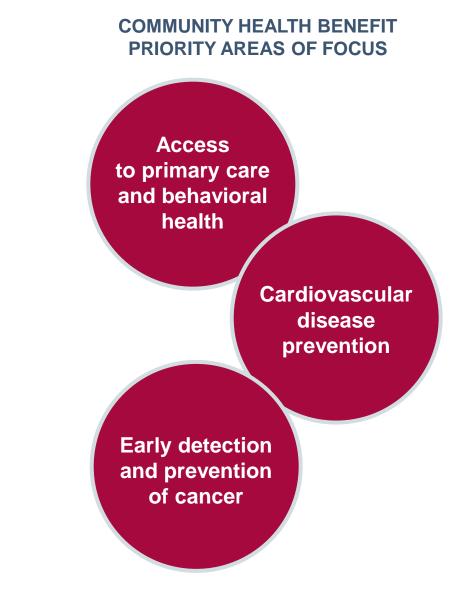


## UCHealth investment in Colorado Springs

FY2022 community benefit









## **Overview of Colorado Springs hospitals**

**47,300** admissions and observation visits<sup>1</sup> 4,900 deliveries

**25,400** surgeries



1,975,500 outpatient visits<sup>2</sup>

161,300 urgent care visits

218,600

emergency visits







# UCHealth Memorial Hospital ranked #1 in Colorado Springs, #4 in the state

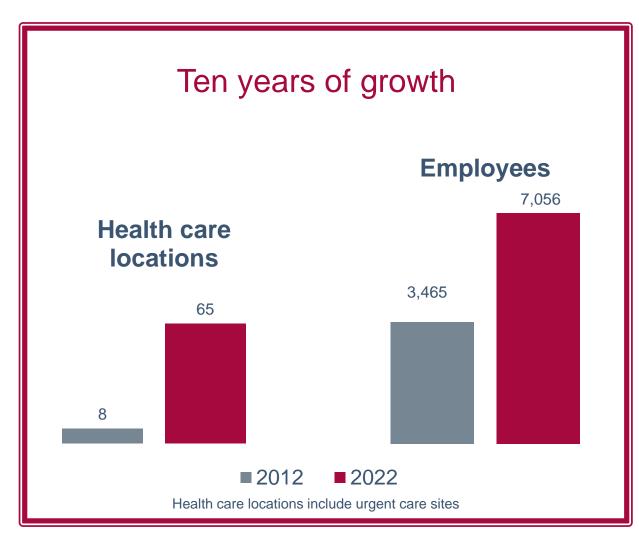
### Rated high performing in 10 procedures / conditions:

- Abdominal aortic aneurysm repair
- Aortic valve surgery
- Colon cancer surgery
- Heart attack
- Heart failure

- Hip replacement
- Leukemia, lymphoma, and myeloma
- Maternity care
- Pneumonia
- Stroke



## Growth and achievement



- Denver Post Top Workplace (2021, 2022, 2023)
- Forbes rankings
  - o Top Colorado Employer (2021, 2022, 2023)
  - Best Employer for Women (2023)
- Department of Defense awards:
  - Employer Support of the Guard (2021, 2022, 2023)
  - Military Friendly Employer (2022, 2023)



Best and Brightest Companies to Work for in the Nation
 (2021, 2022)
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ADA Best Place to Work for Disability Inclusion (2023)





## Workforce and well-being

- Initiatives to support staffing, recruitment, and retention
- UCCS partnership with nursing and social work departments
- Pikes Peak State College nursing
  program partnership

#### **UCHealth Ascend Career Program**

**\$50M** investment over five years.

Up to **100%** tuition-free education for select clinical certifications.

Up to **\$5,250** annually for all programs at accredited universities.

**1,214** enrolled in fully and partially funded programs. *(Feb 2022-Aug 2023)* 

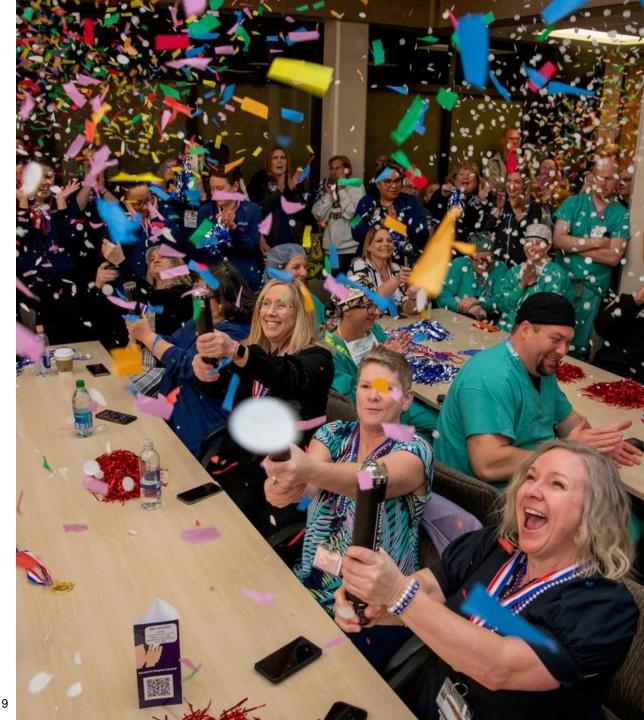


## **Magnet Designation**

- UCHealth Memorial Hospital Central and Memorial Hospital North jointly earned their first designation as an American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) Magnet hospital as of April 20, 2023
- This recognition is the highest and most prestigious credential an organization can achieve for nursing excellence and quality patient care<sup>1</sup>
- Received three ANCC exemplars<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Held by fewer than 10% of hospitals in the United States

<sup>2</sup>Outperformed national quality benchmarks for pressure injury prevention, low surgical errors, and percentage of nurses who have achieved a bachelor's degree or higher



## Expanded access to care

#### **Interquest Medical Center**

- Opened May 2023
- Orthopedic and primary care clinics, along with lab, rehab, and comprehensive imaging services

#### **Eastview Medical Center**

- Opened October 3, 2023
- Offers outpatient imaging, outpatient rehab, lab and pre-admissions testing, breast imaging, an ambulatory surgery center and multi-specialty orthopedics, urology, women's care, breast surgery, primary care, and ENT clinics

#### Memorial Hospital North

Added 16 beds



Interquest - corner of Interquest and Voyager (80921 zip code)



**Eastview** – located off of Powers between Barnes and N. Carefree (80917 zip code)



## Expanding access through virtual care

We continue to focus on offering video appointments to provide timely and convenient access to care for all our patients



unique primary care and specialty care clinics offering video appointments



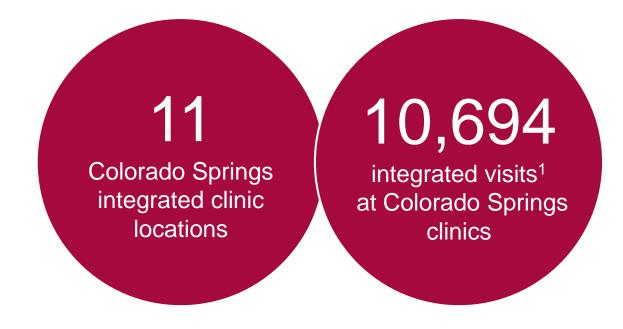
primary and specialty care video appointments



## Our commitment to behavioral health

## Integrated primary and behavioral health care

Comprehensive care in one location.



UCHealth is investing more than \$150M in behavioral health, the largest and most comprehensive investment in the region



## Behavioral Health Connect (BHCON) co-responder program

- Partnership with local government agencies including El Paso County Sheriff's Office, Fountain Police Department, and Manitou Police Department
- Pairs a licensed behavioral health clinician with law enforcement for a coordinated response to behavioral health-related emergency calls
- Aims to prevent unnecessary hospitalization and/or incarceration of individuals with behavioral health needs
- Facilitates crisis intervention and other behavioral health-related trainings for local law enforcement agencies
- Provides follow-up communication to support access to resources and the continuum of care

#### **Program statistics** Calendar year 2022 410 1,560 911 calls for referrals from internal and service external agencies 1,335 1,550 people diverted people diverted from emergency from jail department

## Supporting our veterans and armed forces

- Lead agency in "Next Chapter" program providing services for Veteran Suicide Prevention pilot program<sup>1</sup>
- Signed formal training agreement with the Defense Health Agency's Colorado Military Health System to increase training opportunities for military health care personnel to develop or maintain vital high acuity clinical skills<sup>2</sup>
- Expanded training agreements with U.S. Air Force, Evans Army Community Hospital, and Army Special Forces
- Developing an outpatient program to support service members and veterans with high-risk behavioral health needs
- Dedicated efforts to recruit military members and spouses, including the development of a Military Spouse and Significant Other Committee<sup>3</sup>
- Established Military Friendly Committee focused on support for employed military members and families



Lonnie Cramer, President and CEO of Memorial Hospital, and Col. Edward Mandril, Evans Army Community Hospital Commander and Colorado Military Health System Director, sign a formal training agreement May 2, 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Focused on employment at Peterson Space Force Base, Schriever Space Force Base, the U.S. Air Force Academy, and Fort Carson



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Community partners include Mt. Carmel Veterans Service Center, UCCS Veterans Health and Trauma Clinic, Family Care Center, and NAMI

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Personnel from Fort Carson, the U.S. Air Force Academy, Buckley Space Force Base, Peterson Space Force Base, and Schriever Space Force Base will participate in the training

## Forensic Center of Excellence (FCOE)

- Opened first fully in-house Forensic Nurse Examiner program in Colorado April 2023
- Supports patients who have experienced sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and assaults like strangulation
- Funded by a \$2.8M grant through the Office of Victims of Crime
- The first and only hospital-based FCOE in the world
  - o 5 complete exam rooms
  - o State-of-the-art telehealth office
  - Fully-outfitted conference room for educational offerings



2019 – launched the first telehealth program for sexual assault patients in rural communities 2021 – partnered with Safe Passage to create the first and only co-located Child Advocacy Center in Colorado



## Vision for southern Colorado

#### **Primary Care**

- Opening three new primary care locations to address the primary care shortage
- Locations include Interquest Medical Center, Fountain, and Black Forest

#### Memorial Hospital Central

- Adding 40 beds to Memorial Hospital Central; expected to open in Winter 2023
- Continue to develop as a specialized, regional medical center by investing in sub-specialized services such as surgical oncology and cardiac surgery



## Mobile Stroke Treatment Unit (MSTU)

- Unit was among only three in the nation when it went into service in Colorado Springs in 2016
  - MSTU study published in the New England Journal of Medicine (2021) showed patients treated in MSTUs are 2.5x more likely to have good outcomes
- Colorado Springs to have a dedicated UCHealth MSTU
  - o January 2024
  - Over \$731,000 raised so far





Thank you to our providers and employees for their commitment to our patients.

They make extraordinary possible, each and every day.



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