

LOGAN HEALTH

Report to the Community

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HALL OF HEROES GIVES HOPE TO PEDIATRIC PATIENTS

On July 1, 2024, former patients and families, staff, and community members gathered to celebrate Logan Health Children's 5th birthday and unveil an inspirational photo gallery called the Hall of Heroes. This gallery features pediatric patients who have braved medical challenges and now share their stories to inspire hope in others. The featured patients unveiled their photos in front of their loved ones, hospital staff, and community members. Following the unveiling, attendees mingled, enjoyed cupcakes and spent time with Huck and Cliff, the mascots of the Glacier Range Riders. As the Logan Health Children's teams continue to celebrate the impact of the children's hospital over the past five years, they also look to the future with excitement, ready to serve children and families from across the state for years to come.

RUN CEDAR CREEK TO BENEFIT SUICIDE PREVENTION IN THE FLATHEAD VALLEY

On September 21, 2024, Logan Health will host the third annual Run Cedar Creek event in Columbia Falls. This year, race registration fees will directly support the Nate Chute Foundation and aid suicide prevention initiatives in the Flathead Valley. As a part of the Let's Talk About It campaign, Logan Health is committed to educating and empowering Montanans about the importance of prioritizing mental health. By spreading awareness and breaking the stigma surrounding suicide, community members can help create a supportive environment where individuals feel comfortable seeking help.

The Run Cedar Creek event includes a full marathon, half marathon, 10k and a 5k, providing something for everybody. The scenic course borders Glacier National Park and the Flathead River and finishes in downtown Columbia Falls.

For more information on the event, visit logan.org/runcedarcreek.



FAITH COMMUNITY NURSING PROGRAM INSPIRES WHOLEHEARTED WELLNESS

The Faith Community Nursing program at Logan Health began in 2023 as a community-based ministry to promote health and wellness within the values, beliefs and practices of local faith communities. Logan Health's faith community nurses nurture local congregations and communities through ministries of service, prayer, and outreach, while also promoting physical, emotional and spiritual wellness. This involves hosting interactive health education and wellness classes with a variety of focuses, including balance and strength training, Alzheimer's and Dementia and mental health resources. These classes

have proved invaluable to community members, many of whom are midlife or older adults who enjoy the opportunity to gather with others and pursue the healthiest version of themselves. This program is completely funded through philanthropy, and those involved look forward to inspiring wholehearted wellness across the Flathead Valley.



— News Briefs —

Spring Into Safety

In May, Logan Health hosted their 8th Annual Spring Into Safety event. More than 700 helmets were given away courtesy of Flathead Electric's Roundup for Safety program. The event also included a life jacket giveaway, bike maintenance, a bicycle road safety course, CPR training, fun and informational kids' activities and more.

Logan Health Medical Center to Become Affiliated with Planetree International

LHMC is excited to engage with Planetree International, a framework implemented in health care for improving patient-centered excellence through a cultural transformation. This philosophy places patients and caregivers at the center of the care experience and will unite our community around health and wellness, while improving quality, care, retention and recruitment.

46th Annual A.L.E.R.T. Banquet

The 46th Annual A.L.E.R.T. Banquet, held on Saturday, April 20, was a resounding and record-setting success, raising more than \$635,000. With 820 incredible supporters in attendance and the generous backing of 35 community sponsors, Logan Health ensured that A.L.E.R.T. crews have the training and tools necessary to meet their mission of providing life-saving rescues and transportation wherever and whenever needed. The Logan Health Foundation is grateful for the generosity and collaborative partnerships that help build a healthier future for Montana.

To help support this life-saving program, visit logan.org/alertbanquet to donate.

— Upcoming Events —

- AUGUST 27** Let's Talk About It night with the Glacier Range Riders
- SEPTEMBER 7** National Grateful Patient Day
- SEPTEMBER 14** Logan Health at Kalispell Health and Wellness Fair; 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Flathead County Fairgrounds Expo Building
- SEPTEMBER 21** Run Cedar Creek Marathon/Half/10K/5K. Step up for suicide prevention. Register at logan.org/runcedarcreek.
- OCTOBER** Breast Cancer Awareness Month

LOGAN HEALTH MEDICAL CENTER NAMED TOP HOSPITAL FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Out of more than 2,700 acute care hospitals, LHMC ranked 37th in the country

For the second year in a row, Logan Health Medical Center (LHMC) in Kalispell has been named one of the top hospitals in the United States for social responsibility, according to the Lown Institute, a national nonpartisan and independent healthcare think tank. LHMC was listed as one of just 5% of hospitals in the country to earn Honor Roll status with "A" grades across all top categories: Social Responsibility, Health Equity, Value of Care, Patient Outcomes, Community Benefit, Avoiding Overuse and Cost Efficiency. In addition, LHMC was also ranked a Top Hospital for Fair Share Spending and the #1 hospital in Montana for Social Responsibility, Clinical Outcomes and Community Benefit.

"Our commitment will always be to provide the highest quality of care to our patients and our community," said Kevin Abel, president of Logan Health Medical Center. "This recognition is a testament to the conscious and sustained efforts we have made to provide high quality health care every opportunity we have. From improving patient outcomes to ensuring equitable access to care, we are continuously pushing ourselves to elevate the standards of excellence in health care. Being recognized for our social responsibility is incredibly rewarding and reinforces our dedication to making a positive impact in our community."

The 2024-25 Lown Hospitals Index for Social Responsibility is the only ranking to combine metrics of health equity and value of care alongside patient outcomes, for more than 3,500 hospitals nationwide - offering a holistic view of hospitals as total community partners. Lown's fifth annual index evaluates hospitals on over 50 measures, including novel metrics such as community benefit, inclusivity, and avoidance of overuse. Data sources include Medicare fee-for-service and Medicare Advantage claims, CMS patient safety data and hospital cost reports, and IRS 990 forms, among others.

"Great care is only great if everyone can access it," said Vikas Saini, MD, president of the Lown Institute. "We need hospitals that are not only leaders in clinical care, but also strong community partners - and the hospitals at the top of our list are showing the way."

— In The Community —



Logan Health gives away nearly 1,000 helmets at the annual Spring Into Safety event. Helmets provided by Flathead Electric's Round Up for Safety.



The story of Montana Highway Patrol Trooper Lewis Johnson's nearly-fatal incident is featured at the 46th annual A.L.E.R.T. Banquet.



Logan Health Foundation hosts the 2024 Hoop Dreams camp for Kids on the Rise.



Logan Health hosts its annual Kids Triathlon at Woodland Park in Kalispell.



A recent Safe Sitter class held in Whitefish teaches students 11 and older how to safely and effectively care for young children.



Logan Health promotes bicycle safety and the healthy benefits of biking and walking at Whitefish's Walk and Roll block party on June 4.



LHW trauma coordinator Becky Cox, RN attends the Eureka Farmers Market to promote bicycle safety and give away helmets.



Each week, staff from Logan Health Clinic – Shelby bring a new health topic and activity to Shelby Market and Music.



Kids and families line up at the start of the 1-mile fun run at the Kids Health and Safety Fair in Cut Bank.



Logan Health – Shelby's Marias Fair Parade float receives first place!



Logan Health – Cut Bank staff participate in the Chili Cook-off event at the Lewis and Clark Festival in Cut Bank.



Logan Health – Conrad has fun with the Whoop-Up Parade theme "Out of this World."