Compassionate care for over a century

Providence Health Care’s commitment to serving those most in need began more than 120 years ago when the Sisters of Providence came to Vancouver and opened St. Paul’s Hospital, a 25-bed “cottage” on the path to English Bay. Now operating 17 sites, Providence Health Care is a health and wellness resource for families, patients and residents from all parts of British Columbia.

Providence Health Care was formed in 2000 through the consolidation of CHARA Health Care Society, Holy Family Hospital and St. Paul’s Hospital, and is now one of the largest Catholic health care organizations in Canada. Providence sites include two acute care hospitals, five residential care homes, an assisted living residence, a rehabilitation centre, seven community dialysis units, a hospice, an addictions clinic and a youth health clinic.

Living our values

To this day, Providence continues the mission of the five founding congregations of sisters by meeting the physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs of patients through compassionate care, teaching and research. Providence welcomes the challenge of caring for some of society’s most vulnerable populations. Providence recognizes their complex needs and uses innovation, compassion and respect to help them live healthier lives.

Since 2011, Providence has implemented more than 20 patient and family centred initiatives across the organization in collaboration with over 290 patient and family partners. In 2015, Providence Health Care was named an exemplar hospital by the Institute for Patient-And Family-Centered Care for its Family Presence Policy. The policy establishes that family, as defined by the patient, is essential in a patient’s life and healing and is welcome 24/7 across the organization.
**Global leader in health care excellence and innovation**

Providence is home to St. Paul’s Hospital. St. Paul’s serves 174,000 unique patients who account for over 500,000 visits annually. As one of two adult academic health sciences centres in B.C. (affiliated with the University of British Columbia and other post-secondary institutions), St. Paul’s is a renowned acute care hospital recognized provincially, nationally and internationally for its work, including its several centres of excellence and affiliated research programs. In coordination with its health partners – including the Ministry of Health, Vancouver Coastal Health and the Provincial Health Services Authority – the Providence Health Care Research Institute leads research in more than 30 clinical specialties. This research continues to advance the lives of British Columbians every day.

By integrating evidence-based research, teaching and care, Providence leads advancements in health care that improve the lives of British Columbians, while setting the standard for best practices around the world.

**Populations of emphasis**

Providence Health Care brings their values forward by intentionally focusing their integrated care, teaching, and research on six populations of emphasis:

- **CARDIO PULMONARY**
  - Risks & Illnesses (Heart & Lung)
- **RENAL**
  - Risks & Illnesses (Kidney)
- **SENIORS**
  - Specialized Needs in Aging
- **HIV / AIDS**
  - Risks & Illnesses
- **MENTAL HEALTH**
  - Risks & Illnesses
- **URBAN HEALTH (Complex Medical & Social Needs)**
  - Addiction
  - Hepatitis

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**St. Paul’s Hospital**
An acute care, teaching and research hospital with 433 beds

**Granville Youth Health Centre**
This clinic provides primary care and outreach services for youth and young adults, 24 and younger

**St. John Hospice**
A 12-bed hospice for those at the end of their lives

**Youville Residence**
A residential care home with 42 residents and 32 older mental health clients

**St. Vincent’s: Langara**
A residential care home with 197 residents and a specialized unit for 20 adult mental health clients

**Providence Crosstown Clinic**
This clinic provides addictions services including North America’s only dicetylmorphine treatment program

**Mount Saint Joseph Hospital**
This hospital is home to both an acute care hospital with 101 beds, and a residential care home of 100 residents

**Community Dialysis Clinics**
Providence operates 7 clinics across the greater Vancouver area, including: East Vancouver, Vancouver, Vancouver’s North Shore, Richmond, Powell River, Sechelt, Squamish

**St. Vincent’s: Brock Fahrni**
A residential care home with 148 residents – many who are armed forces veterans

**St. Vincent’s: Honoria Conway**
An assisted living home with 60 tenants and supportive housing for 8 young adults with disabilities

**Holy Family Hospital**
A residential care home with 142 residents and 65 acute beds for rehabilitation care for older adults