



**Estes Park Health: Continually adapting to the health needs of the Estes Valley Community.**

The availability of healthcare services is a vital component of a community's quality of life. Estes Park Health has cared for our residents and guests since 1975. As the community's medical needs have changed, the types of care and services offered have grown to meet those needs. Through the continued support of the community, Estes Park Health not only brings a wide-range of services, it continues to be held up as a national example of high-quality care, compassion and friendly service.

**1975** The Elizabeth Knutsson Memorial Hospital was opened.

**1981** Ambulance/life support services transitioned from being provided on a volunteer basis to being staffed by professional paramedics and EMTs.

**1983** Primary care services began being offered at the hospital in the Family Medical Clinic.

**1984** Prospect Park Living Center, a 60-bed skilled nursing facility, was opened adjacent to the hospital to provide long-term care and therapeutic rehabilitation.

**1985** Estes Park Home Care, a Medicare certified home health agency, began offering nursing, personal care, social work and physical, occupational and speech therapy services in the comfort of patients' homes.

**1989** Hospice of the Estes Valley began providing palliative care to support terminal patients and their families and caregivers.

**1990** An Emergency Department wing was added to the hospital to accommodate the growth of residents and visitors needing emergency care.

**1994** A helipad was installed for emergency air transport.

**1994** A new wing was constructed for the Family Medical Clinic, to accommodate additional family and internal medicine physicians and their increasing number of patients.

**1998** The New Life Birthing Center was built to serve the growing number of new mothers in a comforting, home-like setting.

**2007** To provide improved patient and family experiences, a significant renovation and expansion of the entire facility was completed, including a centralized front lobby, Family Medical Clinic, Specialty Clinic, operating rooms, patient rooms, the New Life Center and physical therapy.

**2009** An enlarged and renovated Emergency Department opened with three new trauma bays. Prospect Park Living Center received the first of its consecutive 5-star Awards for quality of care and patient satisfaction from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid.

**2011** The first annual Women's Wellness event was hosted with a wide variety of health oriented vendors, food and presentations focused on different areas of women's health and well-being.

**2013** The Jean Marquart Digital Imaging Suite opened to ensure residents have easy access to CT, MRI and digital mammography services.



**Estes Park Health Foundation: Engaging partners in support of exemplary healthcare.**

Generous community support began long before the doors opened at the Elizabeth Knutsson Memorial Hospital. The first chief of medical staff noted at the hospital's dedication that there were no federal or state funds used to build the hospital – the resources were derived entirely from within the community. That strong community support carries through to today.

**1949** The local chapter of the Quota Club was founded. One of this group's primary functions is to raise money to purchase ambulances for the Medical Center.

**1969** Roger Knutsson, a long-time summer resident, donated \$100,000 to the newly formed Park Hospital District as a memorial to his late wife Elizabeth.

**1972** The Elizabeth Guild Auxiliary was established to raise funds for the hospital district.

**1986** A group of residents formed the Foundation to formally support the hospital on an ongoing basis. The Foundation Endowment Fund was established with a \$1 Million goal.

**2007** Over the course of a two-and-a-half year capital campaign, the Foundation raised more than \$4 Million to fund the hospital's renovation and expansion.

**2009** The Trail Ridge Quilters began to raise funds for the Medical Center by hosting sales of their quilted creations.

**2012** Donors funded the purchase of digital mammography equipment to significantly improve the Medical Center's breast cancer diagnostic services. Donations also funded the purchase of a CT scanner that is four times faster than the previous machine.

**2013** Friends of the Foundation met a short-term, high-intensity challenge to raise \$500,000 in 50 days to fund the final piece of equipment for the new diagnostic imaging suite. Jean Marquart's family provided the lead gift for the project in her honor.

The Elizabeth Guild reached \$3.5 Million in gifts to the Foundation.

The Foundation Endowment Fund reached \$3 Million with a goal to reach \$5 Million by 2018.

Quota Club donated its 18th ambulance to the Medical Center.

**2014** The community's first Paint Estes Pink week and Tough Enough to Wear Pink evening at the Rooftop Rodeo raised funds for the Medical Center's Oncology Department.

Since the Foundation's very beginning as a 501(c)3 nonprofit, it has partnered with Friends of the Foundation, generous people just like you, to ensure that the highest quality healthcare is available for all who come to Estes Park Health.