



The availability of health care services is a vital component of a community's quality life. Estes Park Health has cared for our residents and guests since 1975. As the communities 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 recognized as an example of high-quality, compassionate and friendly care.

- 1967      Idea for a hospital in Estes Park was first conceive at a Chamber of Commerce meeting
- 1968      Park Hospital District was formally established.
- 1969      Mr. Roger Knutsson contributed \$100,000 as a memorial to his wife, Elizabeth Knutsson
- 1972      Elizabeth Guild was formed
- 1973      Bond issue passed and construction began on a 16-bed facility
- 1975      The Elizabeth Knutsson Memorial Hospital was dedicated and the doors opened to the community on April 15
- 1981      Professional life support service staffed by EMTs and paramedics was established
- 1984      Prospect Park Living Center a skilled nursing facility was established. PPLC, is now the Estes Park Health Living Center
- 1985      Estes Park Home Care (now Estes Park Home Health Services) was established. The services include medical and non-medical care
- 1986      The name was changed to Estes Park Medical Center to reflect expanded services and Estes Park Medical Center Foundation was formed
- 1989      Hospice of the Estes Valley (now Estes Park Health Hospice Care) was established
- 1990      Emergency Department wing added

- 1994 Helipad was installed for emergency air transport
- 1994 Laboratory was expanded. Family Medical Clinic (FMC) wing was constructed. Specialty Clinic moved into old FMC wing
- 1998 New Life Center (now Estes Park Health Birth Center) was built
- 2000 Radiology Department was expanded to include a CT scanner, individual ultrasound room and a mammography room
- 2003 Hospital patient rooms were refurbished
- 2004 MRI service became available weekly. Wound Care Clinic was opened. New cardiology clinic was constructed.
- 2005 Estes Park Medical Center celebrates its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary
- 2005 The Board of Directors made the decision to expand the facility and a bond issue was brought to the district voters. The voters approved the issue
- 2006 The bonds were sold and the building project started with the ground breaking April 3, 2006.
- 2007 Renovation and expansion was completed including a centralized front lobby, operating rooms and patient rooms
- 2008 Park Hospital District Board of Directors vote to approve expansion of emergency department
- 2009 Expanded emergency department opens with three new trauma bays
- 2009 Prospect Park Living Center (now Estes Park Health Living Center) received its first 5-star Award for quality care and patient satisfaction from Centers for Medicare and Medicaid
- 2013 Jean Marquart Digital Imaging Suite opened with CT, MRI and digital mammography services
- 2016 Estes Park Health Birth Center becomes a designated Baby Friendly© Hospital

2018 Estes Park Health become an Accredited Critical Access Hospital by DNV-GL

2018 Estes Park Medical Center becomes Estes Park Health to better reflect the continuum of care from the start-of-life to end-of-life

Department names change

- Prospect Park Living Center becomes Estes Park Health Living Center
- New Living Center becomes Estes Park Health Birth Center
- Hospice of the Estes Valley becomes Estes Park Health Hospice Care
- Estes Valley Home Health becomes Estes Park Health Home Health Services
- Estes Park Medical Group becomes Estes Park Health Physician Clinic