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A YEAR IN REVIEW

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GROWING FOR THE Greater Good

2024 was a year filled with growth for Greater Regional Health's services, facilities, and staff. Throughout our progress, we have strived to remain true to our values of compassion, ownership, integrity, and respect and have done our best to deliver on those values year after year. The achievements we have made (page 9) are evidence of our commitment to bring patients and communities high-quality care.

We took great pride in celebrating our 60th anniversary at our Townline location. 60 years ago, we started with a 51,410 square foot facility. As we have developed and added service lines, our facility has grown to be over 184,200 square feet.

The new lab and clinic expansion project is set to open in early 2025. Our current lab has not received a remodel since the hospital was built 60 years ago. The new space will accommodate larger advanced diagnostic equipment, a growing dedicated staff,

and provide easier accessibility for our patients! This remodel reflects our dedication to providing the best possible care while keeping up with the pace of growth our organization has achieved.

It has been 30 years since our first rural health clinic opened in Lenox. Since then, we have added 3 additional locations with the latest opening this year in Greenfield (page 5). The grand opening of the Greenfield Medical Clinic reiterates our goal of bringing patients expanded access and a choice in their health care.

Greater Regional Health's vision is to be the healthcare provider and employer of choice. We are grateful for the opportunity to serve you and will work hard to continue to make our communities the best places to live, work, and play.

Monte Neitzel,
Chief Executive Officer

Greater Community Hospital in 1967
(3 years at the current location)



Construction progress on the new lab and clinic expansion as of November 2024.

WHO WE ARE

Greater Regional Health is a healthcare system located in Creston, Iowa. It is made up of multiple clinics and services, as well as over 550 employees, to best serve our patients of Southwest Iowa and beyond.

GRH is an affiliate partner with UnityPoint Health in Des Moines through both a formal management agreement and a Critical Access Hospital network agreement. This relationship enables GRH to retain its governance structure while taking advantage of greater system-wide resources, clinical platforms, best practices and many other advantages which benefit the people in our community. GRH remains locally governed by a Board of Trustees and key administration positions to oversee the day-to-day operations of the hospital and its employees.

GRH is a 25 bed critical access hospital that offers a range of care including Intensive Care (ICU), Acute Care and Swing Bed/Skilled Care. There is also a state-of-the-art Birthing Center, Cancer & Infusion Center, Rehabilitation Center and Sleep Center.

Four rural health clinics are conveniently located in Lenox, Mt. Ayr, Corning, and Greenfield. These clinics offer primary care close to home and work closely with the specialists located on our main Creston campus when needed.

The newest addition to GRH, is the former Crossroads building aquired this summer. Plans are in motion to use this for administrative offices and a conference room. The East Medical Suites provide additional clinic space for specialty service lines and Union County Public Health and our Visiting Providers Clinic continue to provide care at Highway Medical in Creston. Crest Ridge Estates is a secure, private senior apartment complex located next door to the main GRH campus. Patients can obtain medical records and other information from the Health Information Center located on the lower level of Crest Ridge.

Learn more about the care and services provided at Greater Regional Health at www.greaterregional.org!

LOCATIONS

- Greater Regional Health**.....(641) 782-7091
1700 W. Townline Street, Creston, Iowa 50801
- East Medical Suites**.....(641) 782-3528
1111 Country Club Drive, Creston, Iowa 50801
- West Administrative Offices & Conference Center**.....Coming Soon
1003 Cottonwood Road, Creston, Iowa 50801
- Highway Medical**.....(641) 782-3545
803 Wyoming Avenue, Creston, Iowa 50801
- Health Information Center**.....(641) 782-3520
1715 West Prairie Street, Creston, Iowa 50801
- Corning Medical Clinic**.....(641) 322-4431
700 Davis Avenue, Corning, Iowa 50841
- Lenox Medical Clinic**.....(641) 333-4545
100 S. Main Street, Lenox, Iowa 50851
- Mt. Ayr Community Health Clinic**.....(641) 464-8971
120 S. Taylor Street, Mt. Ayr, Iowa 50854
- Greenfield Medical Clinic**.....(641) 743-6529
288 Public Square, Greenfield, Iowa 50849
- Crest Ridge Estates**.....(641) 782-3553
1715 West Prairie Street, Creston, Iowa 50801



MISSION

Greater Regional Health is committed to providing the highest quality health care and service.



VISION

Greater Regional Health will be the healthcare provider and employer of choice.



VALUES

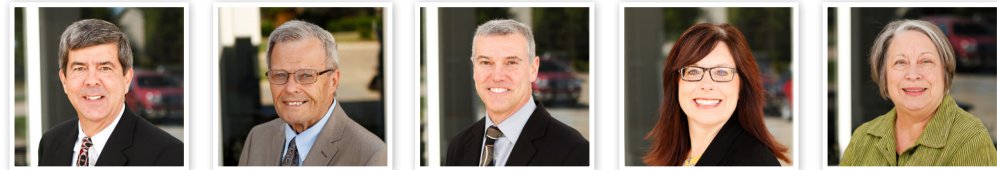
Compassion
Ownership
Respect
Integrity



PILLARS OF SUCCESS

People
Service
Quality
Finance
Growth
Community

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Monte Neitzel, Chief Executive Officer
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Amanda Mohr, Chief Nursing Officer
Amy Rieck, Chief Human Resources Officer
Carol Eckels, Chief Clinic Officer



Dave Driskell
(Retired Dec. 2024)

30-YEAR BOARD MEMBER *Retires*

At the close of December 2024, Board Chairman, Dave Driskell, sat at his last board meeting as he announced he was retiring at the end of the year. Dave's dedication and love for this community and region are apparent in the service he has provided, the lives he has touched, and the commitment he has shown to not only Greater Regional Health but to the residents of southwest Iowa.

Dave has served on many local boards and committees, but his greatest contribution, however, may be his long-term commitment to the Greater Regional Health Board of Directors. Dave was elected to the board in 1994, serving many of those years as chairman and on the executive committee. While serving on the Board, Dave has seen the hospital's name change from Greater Community Hospital, to Southwest Regional Medical Center, to Greater Regional Medical Center, and to Greater Regional Health, better reflecting the organization's broad involvement in local and regional health care.

The Medical Arts Plaza was constructed as a part of the medical campus, allowing all local healthcare providers to practice in a single, convenient, and well-coordinated environment. Many areas of the hospital have been expanded or remodeled in a state of the art manner, truly evolving Greater Regional Health into the healthcare provider and employer of choice.

Dave's vision has unified the board, physicians, and community, driving the growth of Greater Regional Health for decades. We thank Dave for his leadership and service for the many years he was able to share with us. We will be forever grateful for Dave's passion and commitment to the patients, families and communities we serve. Happy retirement, Dave!



ADULT MEDICINE

Steven Reeves, MD, FACP
 Adrianna Shuey, DO, MBA (GRH/Corning)
 Guerline Sinsmyr, MD
 Sheena Cortner, PA-C
 Kendall Lange, ARNP
 Everett Roberts, ARNP

ANESTHESIA

Eric Anderson, CRNA
 Greg Anderson, MSN, CRNA
 Stephanie Anderson, CRNA
 Dixie Bakken, CRNA
 Katie Evans, CRNA, FNP-C

ATHLETIC TRAINING

Jon Hochstetler, DAT, LAT, ATC
 Kelsi Huseman, MA, LAT, ATC, EMT
 Kaci Kious, MS, LAT, ATC
 A.J. Klooster, LAT, ATC
 Renee Williams, MAT, LAT, ATC

AUDIOLOGY

Ryan Denny, Au. D., CCC-A

BUSINESS HEALTH

Jo Belding, RN

CANCER CARE

Adam Gliniewicz, MD
 John Martens, MD
 George Voynov, MD
 Brooke Wehbe, ARNP, AOCNP
 Mathew Wehbe, MD

CARDIOLOGY

Allan Latcham, MD, FACC

CARDIOPULMONARY REHAB

Patrick Bos, MS, CCRP, ACSM-CEP
 Cali Purdum, RN, BSN

DERMATOLOGY

Mallory Kirscher, ARNP
 Crystal Johnson, MSN, ARNP

EMERGENCY

Matthew Epp, MD
 Katie Evans, CRNA, FNP-C
 Cassie Rasmussen, DO
 Tessa Sandel, ARNP, FNP-BC
 Mark Smith, ARNP

ENT

Arun Gupta, DO
 Kevin Prater, MPAS, PA-C

FAMILY MEDICINE

David Gantz, DO
 Jim Gerdes, DO (GRH/Lenox)
 Kristen Krakovec, MD
 Bryan Taylor, DO
 Chimene Cobb, ARNP (Lenox)
 Gina Perri, MD (Mt. Ayr)
 Abbey Clarkson, ARNP (Mt. Ayr)
 Raydeen Derscheid, ARNP (Mt. Ayr)
 Allison Wetzel, PA-C (Corning)
 Maddy McBride, ARNP (Lenox & Corning)
 Demi O'Brien, MD (Greenfield)
 Laura Hagen, ARNP (Greenfield)

FAMILY MEDICINE/OB

Karen Krogstad, MD

GENERAL SURGERY

Amy Hynek McFarland, DO, FACOS
 David Paustian, DO

HOSPITALIST

Shelby Cameron, ARNP
 Joshua Capson, DO
 Amanda Dahlstrom, ARNP
 Matthew Epp, MD
 Tessa Sandel, ARNP, FNP-BC

NEUROLOGY

Julia Zhu, MD

OB/GYN

Charles Cunningham, MD, FACOG
 Danielle Valentine, DO

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

Alannah Olson, OTD, OTR/L, CEIM
 Andrea Skellenger, OTD, OTR/L, CLT, CEAS

ORTHOPEDICS

Ben Carmack, PA-C
 Timothy Rankin, MD
 William Ralston, DO
 Marc Zoutte, PA-C

PAIN MANAGEMENT

Greg Anderson, MSN, CRNA

PEDIATRICS

Cheri Standing, MD
 Brooke Becker, CPNP-PC

PHYSICAL THERAPY

Travis Eggman, PT, DPT
 Teena Jones, PT, DPT, TPS, AIB-VRC
 Amy Downing, PT, DPT, CSMT
 Kristin Rooda, PT, DPT
 Stormy Wilson, PT, DPT, VRT

PODIATRY

Eric Larsen, DPM, FACPM
 Lauren Craver, ARNP

PSYCHIATRY

Mark Preston, MD *(Retired Dec. 2024)*
 Kelly Weiss, DO
 LeeAnn Berg, ARNP

PULMONOLOGY

Courtney Halls, PA-C
 Annie Nawab, MD, FCCP

RADIOLOGY

Joshua Holliday, MD

SAME-DAY SICK

Liz Hensley, ARNP
 Emily Turner, FNP

SLEEP MEDICINE

Annie Nawab, MD, FCCP

SPEECH THERAPY

Travis Miller, MS, CCC-SLP
 Emily Huntington, MA, CCC-SLP

URGENT CARE

Sarah Carter, ARNP
 Chanda Moreland, ARNP
 Mark Smith, ARNP

UROLOGY

Jonathan Fialkov, MD
 Crystal Johnson, MSN, ARNP

WEIGHT MANAGEMENT

Jessica Crandall, DNP

WOUND CARE

Gina Perri, MD

Welcome NEW PROVIDERS



Shelby Cameron, ARNP
Hospitalist



Ben Carmack, PA-C
Orthopedics



Courtney Halls, PA-C
Pulmonology



Allan Latcham, MD, FACC
Cardiology



Mark Smith, ARNP
Urgent Care



Danielle Valentine, DO
OB/GYN



Kelly Weiss, DO
Psychiatry



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 Top Workplace!
 7 Years Running

OUR PEOPLE MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

Greater Regional Health is always looking for talented individuals to join our amazing staff. For a complete list of current job openings, visit www.greaterregional.org/careers.



THE POWER OF Rural

Strained by limited access, provider shortages, and an aging population with complex health needs, many rural healthcare systems may find themselves struggling to meet the needs of their patients. Over the last 60 years, Greater Regional Health has worked to address unique challenges, expand access to care, and create innovative solutions for our patients.

Not only do we care about the health of our patients, we care about building healthier, stronger communities and have thrived on the deep connections fostered through generations. Our focus is to be a long-term partner for local healthcare services and to invest in the development and success of our communities.

Greater Regional Health has evolved from a county hospital into a unique healthcare system made up of multiple clinics, services, and locations spanning across southwest Iowa. Union County remains the hub for our healthcare services with our main campus located in Creston. As we have invested in more providers and service lines, the need for additional space has increased as well.

Our first rural health clinic opened its doors in Lenox 30 years ago. Since then, our healthcare footprint has expanded with the opening of a second, third, and most recently, a fourth rural health clinic in Greenfield.

These expansions were solely investments made by Greater Regional Health, meaning no tax dollars or incentives were used for the new facilities.

Our goal has never been to displace healthcare options already in place in these communities, but rather expand access to and provide choices in quality care. We believe when people have a choice in their care, the quality improves or remains high, ensuring these communities have access to the best care possible.

Being able to support and collaborate with community partners is beneficial not only for our patients, but for the community. Therefore, we continue to reinvest in these communities through sponsorships and donations.

We currently have clinics located in Lenox, Mt. Ayr, Corning, and Greenfield. The primary care providers located at our rural clinics can diagnose and treat most common disease and medical conditions. When further care is necessary, they can coordinate and provide access to a wide variety of specialty services located at our main campus, providing the type of care you would expect in a big city, close to home.

Greenfield Medical Clinic

The Greenfield Medical Clinic opened on February 12, 2024 on the historic downtown square in Greenfield, Iowa. It was an honor to work with Greenfield's Historic Preservation Commission to renovate an important piece of architecture to the square. The renovation project invested money back into the community without affecting taxpayers.

An open house and ribbon cutting took place in May to celebrate the grand opening of Greenfield Medical Clinic. Community members were encouraged to take tours of the newly renovated space and meet our two full-time providers, Demi O'Brien, MD, and Laura Hagen, ARNP, who provide primary care, x-ray, podiatry, and prenatal services.

The Greenfield Medical Clinic continues to serve many of our former patients at the new location and welcomes new patients every day. Both providers are accepting new patients and are available for same-day appointments. We look forward to continuing and building trusted relationships while providing the best possible care for our patients.



Greenfield Medical Clinic grand opening and ribbon cutting.

Rural Health

Rural communities often face a shortage of qualified healthcare providers. Our clinics would not be possible if it weren't for our dedicated teams providing quality, compassionate care. The connections and trusted relationships built with their patients have also advanced the health and well-being of our communities. We appreciate our providers, whose work and contributions positively impact rural health care every day.

Rural Iowa offers a beautiful and challenging landscape, but Greater Regional Health is dedicated to addressing the unique needs of people living and working in our communities. Providing health care is essential and a privilege Greater Regional Health has had the pleasure of offering for decades. We look forward to continuing to invest in and support our communities now and for many years to come.

Greenfield MEDICAL CLINIC



MEET THE TEAM:

Greenfield native and family medicine provider, Demi O'Brien, MD, strives to provide compassionate, high quality health care while building life-long relationships with her patients and families. She works to get to know her patients in order to help them succeed in their health goals. She chose to specialize in family medicine because she loves the variety and opportunity to care for patients of all ages.



Dr. Demi O'Brien and Laura Hagen greeted visitors at the Open House.

In addition to primary care, Dr. O'Brien offers an extension of Greater Regional Health Obstetric Services. Dr. O'Brien provides local prenatal and postnatal care until it is time to transition to your delivering OB provider at Greater Regional Health in Creston. Following delivery and return home, she can once again provide convenient care for you and your new baby making it easier for our patients to receive care close to home.

Laura Hagen, ARNP, FNP-C, CFCS, has worked in a variety of healthcare roles, including ER, Urgent Care, Podiatry, and Family Medicine. She is a Certified Foot Care Specialist and a Certified DOT Medical Examiner.

Prior to joining the Greenfield staff, Laura worked in Podiatry at Greater Regional Health and has been able to bring those services with her to Greenfield Medical Clinic. She provides podiatry services to diagnose and treat a variety of foot and ankle related conditions, and can treat injuries as well as complications from ongoing health issues.

By addressing conditions such as bunions, ingrown toenails, foot or ankle pain, and diabetic foot care, she can offer relief and enhance your overall foot well-being. Laura can also provide Nerve Pain Therapy for the treatment of peripheral neuropathy symptoms.

Laura prides herself in providing quality care to all of her patients by staying current on procedures and guidelines, keeping Greenfield Medical Clinic on the forefront of care. She likes the challenges the medical field brings but most importantly helping patients and their families.

PREGNANCY & BIRTH *We Deliver!*

At Greater Regional Health, we're proud to offer a comprehensive range of services to meet the unique needs of women. Our dedicated team of gynecologists, obstetricians, and family medicine providers allow us to provide high quality care through every stage of life.

Greater Regional Health is committed to providing experienced, knowledgeable, and compassionate women's health services. In 2024, we focused on the importance of obstetric care in our communities and made it our mission to expand and offer the best care for expecting mothers.

In a state like Iowa, where the number of obstetricians is among the lowest in the nation, local access to skilled and compassionate obstetric care is essential. Greater Regional Health boasts an exceptional team of three delivering obstetric providers, who make it possible for women in our area to receive the care they deserve, right here at home.

Charles Cunningham, MD, and Danielle Valentine, DO, provide OB/GYN services, while Karen Krogstad, MD, is a family medicine physician who also provides obstetric services. Together, these three form an unbeatable team that can support women with prenatal care through delivery and beyond. They collaborate closely, ensuring that every patient receives care that is tailored to their unique needs. Whether you're a first-time mom or looking to expand your family again, rest assured, you're in experienced hands.

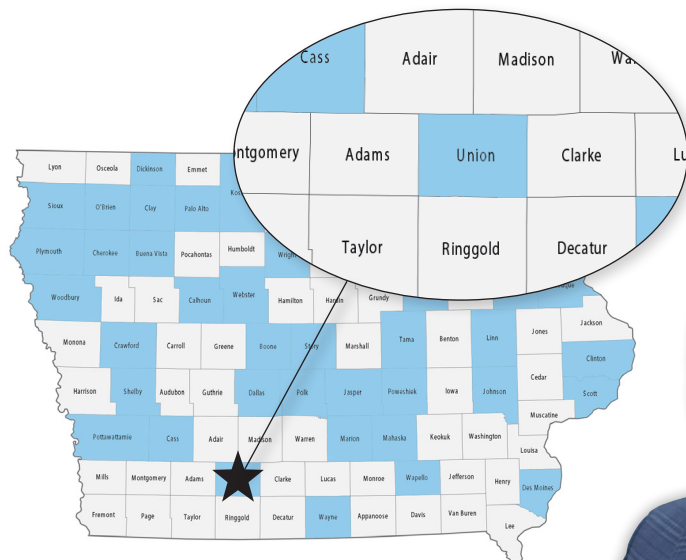
Why Local Obstetric Care Matters

Iowa is one of the few states in the nation where the number of obstetricians per capita is incredibly low. From 2000 to 2018, there were 33 labor and delivery unit closures in Iowa. As a result, women in rural areas often have limited access to obstetric care, and many must travel long distances for prenatal visits, labor, and delivery. For many expectant mothers, this added travel can be stressful, time-consuming, and exhausting.

Greater Regional Health has become one of the few OB units still left operating in southwest Iowa. We are committed to making sure that women don't have to leave their communities to receive the best obstetric care available. By having three delivering providers on our team, we're able to ensure consistent, high-quality care that's close to home.

In addition to convenience, there is often comfort in knowing who will be delivering your baby. Smaller communities allow for long-lasting and trusted relationships that you may not experience in larger birthing centers.

"In 2004, I arrived in Creston with a dream to stay in one place long enough to deliver a patient I had delivered as a baby and been her physician her whole life," said Dr. Krogstad. "My favorite part of family practice is to deliver babies and then watch them grow up. Teenage boys 'love it' when I tell them at their sports physical that I was the first one to hold them as a baby. I have been truly blessed to be the physician for 5 generations of families. Growing up as a farm kid in North Dakota, I knew a small town would allow me to build meaningful relationships with entire families as a family doctor. Creston has been a great place to do that the past 20 years."



Iowa OB Units by County in 2024

■ OB Unit ■ No OB Unit



Mt. Ayr Community Health Clinic and Greenfield Medical Clinic also offer an extension of Greater Regional Obstetric Services. Abbey Clarkson, ARNP, and Demi Eble, MD, offer prenatal care at these rural health locations until delivery at Greater Regional Health.

A Comprehensive Approach

Greater Regional Health offers a range of services designed to support women. Our Women's Health Services are here to provide personalized care at every stage, with access to:

Prenatal Care: Regular checkups, ultrasounds, and screenings to ensure both mother and baby are healthy.

Labor & Delivery: Our team is here to support you with a range of delivery options and personalized care plans at the Greater Regional Birthing Center.

Postpartum Care: From physical recovery to emotional support, we help women adjust to life after childbirth.

Family Planning & Birth Control: Whether you're looking to expand your family or need support with contraception, we offer a variety of options.

Gynecology Services: Comprehensive care for women's health, including annual exams, screenings, menstrual irregularities, and menopause management.

Supporting the Next Generation of Mothers

As we continue to navigate the challenges of healthcare in rural communities, it's important to celebrate the efforts of our healthcare providers who go above and beyond. Dr. Cunningham, Dr. Valentine, and Dr. Krogstad represent the heart of Greater Regional Health's obstetrics program. When you choose Greater Regional Health for your obstetric care, you're not just choosing a healthcare provider—you're choosing a team that understands the challenges of pregnancy and the joy of welcoming new life into the world. With three delivering obstetric providers available to support you, you can feel confident knowing that your care is in the best hands. If you're expecting, or considering starting your family, we invite you to visit us and meet our team. We can't wait to be there for you, every step of the way.

MEET THE TEAM:

Dr. Charles Cunningham has been an obstetrics and gynecology provider at Greater Regional Health for several years. After focusing solely on gynecology services, he returned to delivering babies in December 2024. Dr. Cunningham has a longstanding commitment to women's health and has witnessed the growing need for obstetric care in our area. His broad expertise in gynecology, coupled with his years of experience and ability to perform surgical procedures, brings an added dimension of care to our community.

Dr. Danielle Valentine is our newest addition to the team. Dr. Valentine joined Greater Regional Health in September, bringing with her a highly regarded reputation from former and current patients. She brings a wealth of experience and a deep passion for women's health. Her warm, approachable demeanor ensures that every patient feels heard, supported, and well cared for throughout their pregnancy journey.

Dr. Karen Krogstad, a familiar face to many in our community, has been delivering babies for over 20 years. As a Family Medicine physician with obstetric training, Dr. Krogstad's expertise spans across both general practice and specialized obstetric care. She has provided ongoing care for many of the babies she has delivered long after they leave the delivery room. Her commitment to providing personalized, compassionate care has earned her the trust of countless families in the area.

OB/GYN
Charles Cunningham, MD
Danielle Valentine, DO

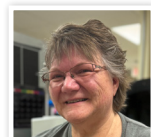
FAMILY MEDICINE/OB
Karen Krogstad, MD

HIGH STANDARDS FOR Success



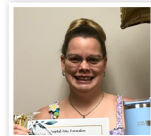
Preceptor of the Year

Internal medicine provider, Dr. Steven Reeves, was the 2024 recipient of the Preceptor of the Year award from Des Moines University. Preceptors play a crucial role in a student's education, inspiring and guiding the next generation of physicians. Throughout the clinical year, physician assistant students at DMU nominate preceptors they feel are outstanding and exemplary teachers and mentors. These nominations are used by the Masters of Science in Physician Assistant Studies program to select an individual for the award.



Hospital Hero

Heroes are among us. We work with them every day. Each quarter employees nominate their peers for the Hospital Hero Award for going above and beyond in the work place.



2024 HONOREES:

- Deb Melzer, Lab**
- Dr. William Ralston, Orthopedics**
- Chelsey Tait, Patient Access Rep**
- Tara Hower, HIMS**
- Katie Evans, CRNA**
- Dr. Jonathan Fialkov, Urology**
- Dr. Charles Cunningham, OB/GYN**
- Dr. Mark Preston, Psychiatry**

The DAISY Award



The DAISY Award is a program that rewards excellence in nursing. It was created by the DAISY Foundation to recognize the clinical skills and extraordinary compassion and care exhibited by nurses every day. This year's award winners were Hannah Weeda, Anthony Hutchings, and Carrie Wood.



Get With The Guidelines Stroke Awards

Greater Regional Health received achievement awards for demonstrating commitment to following up-to-date, research-based guidelines for the treatment of heart disease and stroke. The American Heart Association's Get With The Guidelines honored GRH for high quality rural stroke and cardiovascular care.

4 Star Patient Survey Ratings

Greater Regional Health received a 4 Star Patient Experience Rating and a 4 Star Overall Quality Rating from Care Compare. Based on surveys, GRH consistently scored higher than Iowa and national averages.

5 Star Physician Communication

The national publication, Becker's Hospital Review, awarded Greater Regional Health a 5 Star Rating in Physician and Nurse Communication. The patient survey summarized how well patients feel their physicians explained things, listened carefully to them, and treated them with courtesy and respect.

Chamber of Commerce Hi-Five

Kelsey Hoff was a Hi-Five recipient by the Creston Chamber of Commerce for excellent customer service.

Auxiliary Scholarships

Greater Regional Auxiliary presented five \$1,000 scholarships to individuals pursuing a health career. Congratulations to Liliانا Aguilar, Dillon Starlin, Brennan Hayes, Ellie Brewer, and Rylie Driskell.

Bradley Weis, PharmD, Earns Antimicrobial Stewardship Certification



The knowledge and skills gained from the certificate program offer GRH innovative approaches to:

- ✓ OPTIMIZE ANTIBIOTIC PRESCRIBING
- ✓ REDUCE ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE
- ✓ ENHANCE COMMUNITY HEALTH



Antimicrobial Stewardship Certification

Bradley Weis, Assistant Director of Pharmacy at Greater Regional Health, was among 20 Critical Access Hospital Pharmacists chosen for the Antimicrobial Stewardship Certification program.



Top 100 Critical Access Hospital

Greater Regional Health was recognized as a Top 100 Critical Access Hospital for the 6th consecutive year. GRH is top 100 among 1,368 Critical Access Hospitals across the country.



Primary Stroke Center

Greater Regional Health was recertified as a Primary Stroke Center by Det Norske Veritas Healthcare (DNV), proving we have the resources and commitment to provide excellence in stroke patient care.



Infection Prevention

Greater Regional Health received its recertification in Infection Prevention (CIP) recognizing exceptional processes and approach to mitigating infection risk that exceeds current standards.



Diabetes Education

The diabetes education program at Greater Regional Health is certified by the American Diabetes Association* and the state of Iowa.



Iowa Top Workplaces Award

Greater Regional Health was awarded a Top Workplaces 2024 honor by Iowa Top Workplaces based on employee feedback.

Performance Leadership Award

Greater Regional Health was awarded the Chartis Performance Leadership Award for 2024 for Quality. This award celebrates top quartile performance (75th percentile or above) on the Chartis Rural Hospital Performance INDEX.

UnityPoint Health Rural Healthcare Leader Award

Chief Human Resources Officer, Amy Rieck, was honored with the UnityPoint Health Rural Healthcare Leader Award at the annual Rural Leadership Retreat hosted by UnityPoint.





Mt. Ayr Community Health Clinic provided carnival games at Ayr Days.



Volunteers made a pancake breakfast for students.



Staff hosted preschoolers on a field trip to the hospital.



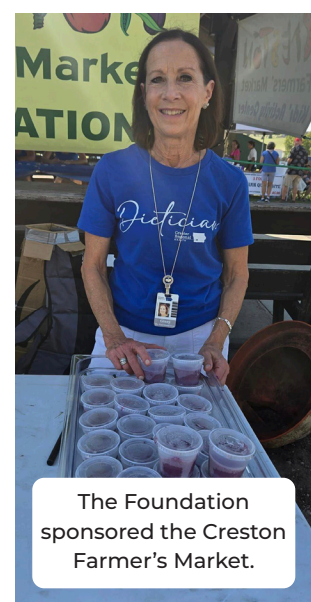
Dr. Mathew Wehbe and Brooke Wehbe were featured in the Creston News Advertiser for providing local cancer care.



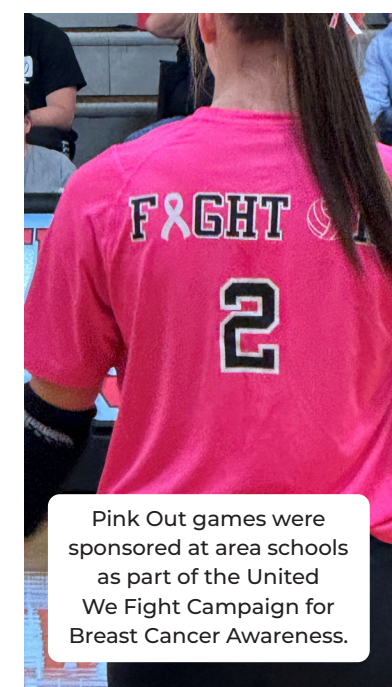
Volunteers picked up trash as part of the Adopt-A-Highway program.



Nurses Week is a week long celebration that recognized the commitment our nurses make to compassionate care for our patients.



The Foundation sponsored the Creston Farmer's Market.



Pink Out games were sponsored at area schools as part of the United We Fight Campaign for Breast Cancer Awareness.



"Christmas Vacation" won best Halloween group costume.



Staff walked in the Southwest Valley homecoming parade.



Employees wore blue to raise awareness for Autism, Child Abuse Prevention, and Donate Life Month.



The Foundation sponsored healthcare camps for youth interested in learning about various medical fields.



Employees participated in "twin day" during Hospital Week.



Greenfield Medical Clinic provided medical supplies at Ragbrai.



Volunteers packaged meals for "Meals from the Heartland."



Employees wore red to raise awareness for heart disease.



Kids Day was sponsored at the Union County Fair.



Employees participating in Ragbrai stopped by Greenfield Medical Clinic.

REINVESTING *in the* COMMUNITY

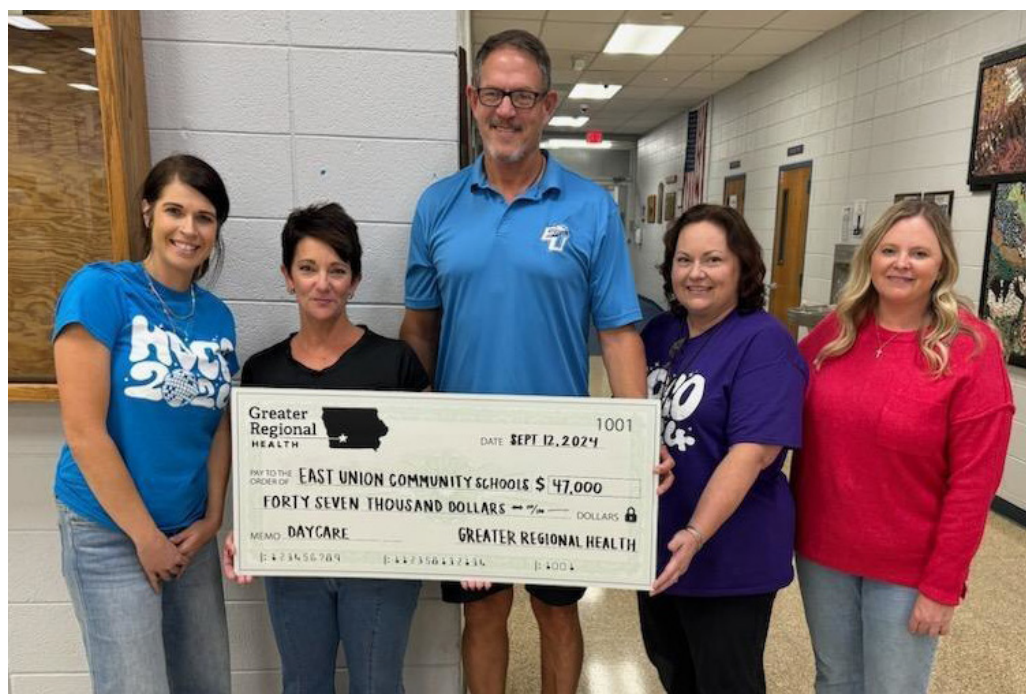
Greater Regional Health prioritizes healthy initiatives not only in our hospital and clinics but also within the communities we serve. A healthy community is one in which all residents have access to a quality education, safe and healthy homes, adequate employment, transportation, physical activity, and nutrition, in addition to quality health care. Greater Regional Health chooses to reinvest in projects to promote an overall healthy community.

As a county hospital, Greater Regional Health is governed by Iowa Code Chapter 347, its board bylaws, and hospital policies and procedures. Initiatives are supported if it is financially suitable to do so each fiscal year. The hospital has not raised taxes in 20 years and will not raise taxes to support community reinvestment projects.

Greater Regional Health uses feedback from community and staff surveys to determine which reinvestment initiatives would most benefit the community. Union County Public Health conducted a Community Health Needs Assessment in 2022. The results of this survey have helped identify the key health needs in the community. It also helps develop a health improvement plan by justifying how and where resources should be allocated to best meet community needs. The growth achieved by Greater Regional Health over the last 5 years has made it possible to support a variety of community reinvestment initiatives.

East Union Community Schools Daycare

Increased access to child care services in our communities continues to be a priority. Greater Regional Health donated \$47,000 to go toward the East Union Infant & Toddler Center!



Donations & Sponsorships

Greater Regional Health supported health and wellness in our communities by granting over \$200,000 to local projects and initiatives. Pictured: The staff from Greenfield Medical Clinic presented a check for \$20,000 to the Greater Greenfield Community Betterment Foundation. The donation was made by Greater Regional Health, its employees, and the Greater Regional Healthcare Foundation to help support disaster relief efforts and the Greenfield community following the May 21 tornado.



Kid's Day at the Union County Fair

Greater Regional Health was the proud sponsor of the 2024 Kid's Day at the Union County Fair. It was a fun-filled day at the fair including activities, events and contests. This community collaboration was made possible because of the amazing support of local businesses and organizations who provided supplies and volunteered time.



Greater 8 Mile & 5K Run

Greater Regional Health is proud to be the title sponsor of Creston's Greater 8 Mile and 5K. The run is a fundraiser for the Union County trail system.



City of Corning Playground

Greater Regional Health and Corning Medical Clinic, donated \$15,000 to the City of Corning to help improve the playground in the city park. The Adams County Cattlemen are coordinating the Grove Park Playground Improvement Project and are pictured receiving the donation. "It is our understanding that to maintain a strong and vibrant agriculture-based community, it involves supporting all aspects of that community," said the ACC. We are very happy to contribute and help strengthen and improve the Corning community!



ENHANCING *Your* HEALTH CARE

The Greater Regional Healthcare Foundation was established in 1993 with the mission of providing support and enhancements to the health and well-being of the communities we serve through the purchase of new equipment, improving patient experience, educational opportunities and other projects. Generous donations through memorials, annual giving, and fundraising efforts have made a significant contribution to the experience of local health care and wellness opportunities.

2024 was filled with exciting events and contributions. The Foundation was proud to sponsor of the Creston Farmers Market for the sixth year. Greater Regional Health, employees and Foundation donated \$20,000 to the Greenfield Community Betterment Foundation for tornado relief. Other items donated included \$35,000 towards improvements to the gazebo and arboretum area, as well as continued funding for PANS travel and lodging support for patients and their families.



The Foundation hosted its 33rd annual golf event at Crestmoor. 45 teams competed and the event raised over \$38,000. The event designated funds toward the Auxiliary's annual healthcare scholarships and two Panda baby warmers for the Birthing Center.

Fundraising to support the Greater Regional Cancer and Infusion Center occurred throughout 2024. Funds raised have been utilized for a hip and breast board for radiation therapy, sponsorship of a wig program, gas cards and other materials for the department. The Crush Cancer in Every Color event raised \$22,326 to be designated toward local cancer care. Greater Regional also hosted pink outs at Creston and East Union football and volleyball games. In conjunction with pink out shirt sales, these events raised over \$3,000 for the cancer center.

The Foundation appreciates the support of our community and generous gifts from our donors and looks forward to continuing to enhance the excellent care provided by Greater Regional Health.



Jessica Duncan,
Foundation Director

Services

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MEDICAL CENTER.....(641) 782-7091

Birthing Center
Business Health
Diabetic Education
Emergency & Ambulance
Lab
Nutrition
Cancer & Infusion Center
· Hematology
· Infusions
· Oncology
· Radiation Therapy
Radiology
Rehabilitation Center
· Athletic Training
· Cardiopulmonary Rehab
· Occupational Therapy
· Pelvic Floor Therapy
· Physical Therapy
· Speech Therapy
Respiratory Therapy
Surgery Center
Urgent Care

PRIMARY CLINIC.....(641) 782-2131

Cardiology
Family Medicine
Family Medicine/OB
Injections
PANS
Pediatrics
Psychiatry
Same-Day Sick

ADULT MEDICINE CLINIC.....(641) 782-3952

Internal Medicine
Neurology

SPECIALTY CLINIC.....(641) 782-3887

Audiology
ENT
General Surgery
OB/GYN
Orthopedics
Pain Management
Podiatry
· Nerve Pain Therapy
Pulmonology
Sleep Medicine
Urology
Wound Care

EAST MEDICAL SUITES.....(641) 782-3528

Dermatology
Weight Management

HIGHWAY MEDICAL.....(641) 782-3545

Union County Public Health
Visiting Providers
· Allergy, Asthma & Sinus
· EMG Testing
· Nephrology
· Vascular

We are committed to providing the highest quality health care and service to our patients and communities.

Learn more about the services provided at Greater Regional Health at:
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