

## Harrison Hospital Service Expansion:

Harrison Hospital's new Radiation Oncology Center will open at its main East Bremerton campus by November 2000. This 14,000-square-foot facility will feature a state-of-the-art linear accelerator and space for a second. This will greatly enhance local services and is a valuable step in continued development of a regional cancer program in Kitsap County. Constructed at the hospital, the Center will replace the existing facility on Sheridan Avenue, making treatment more accessible and convenient for our patients. A new parking structure built adjacent to the Center will increase parking at the hospital by 60 spaces.

## Silverdale Healthcare Campus:

Harrison's commitment to provide healthcare to our neighbors in all corners of the county continues with the new Silverdale healthcare campus. The centerpiece of this new 125,000-square-foot creation is Harrison Silverdale; featuring a Surgery Center, a Women's and Children's Center (including maternity and pediatrics) plus an Emergency Department available 24-hours a day, all coordinated with Harrison's East Bremerton facilities and services. The Silverdale campus is located south of Waaga Way at the intersection of Myhre Road and Ridgetop Boulevard.

A variety of outpatient services — including a women's breast center; adult and pediatric rehabilitation services, and physicians' office space will be located in a separate but connecting healthcare office building. The two structures make up the first of several phases to be developed on the campus to meet the healthcare needs of a growing Kitsap County and beyond. Medical services at Harrison Silverdale began on July 10, 2000.

## Harrison Hospital Overview:

Harrison Hospital is a 297-bed, not-for-profit, community hospital, which offers a wide array of services, including in-patient, out-patient, emergency, maternity and home health. Harrison is fully accredited by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, with the outstanding score of 99 out of 100 on their most recent survey. Harrison consistently offers its quality services at some of the lowest costs of any hospital in Washington State, which has among the lowest hospital costs of any state in the United States. Harrison also provides Urgent Care and other out-patient services at its South Kitsap Healthcare Campus on Tremont Avenue near Highway 16 in Port Orchard.

## Doctors Clinic, Group Health Cooperative, KPS and Westsound Community Health Network:

The Doctors Clinic is a multi-specialty group practice with about fifty of the greater than three hundred civilian physicians who serve in Kitsap County. Group Health Cooperative is the largest Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) that serves the area, with approximately twenty-five physicians in Kitsap County. Kitsap Physicians Service (KPS) is the locally-based, health insurance provider for many of the residents of Kitsap and adjacent counties. Westsound Community Health Network is a Physician-Hospital Organization which includes over one-hundred physicians in Kitsap and Jefferson Counties.

## Naval Hospital Bremerton:

Naval Hospital Bremerton, with its 67 licensed beds and extensive system of health services, provides care to approximately 80,000 military, family members and retirees who live within the hospital's beneficiary base. The hospital is undergoing a \$24-million expansion project, due for completion in late Spring 2001. This expansion will add a three-story Ambulatory Care wing and a three-level underground parking garage and will provide extensive renovation to the existing building. Naval Hospital Bremerton is also home to the Puget Sound Family Medicine Residency Program and Fleet Hospital Five, the expeditionary arm of the military treatment facility.

The hospital provides the following in-patient specialties: Medical/Surgical, Pediatrics, Labor/Delivery, Mother/Baby, Level II Nursery, ICU, as well as an Ambulatory Procedure Unit. Core outpatient services include: Family Practice, Pediatrics, Internal Medicine, Mental Health, Women’s Wellness, OB/GYN, Physical Therapy, Orthopedics and Emergency. The hospital runs three major branch medical clinics and two satellite clinics located on military bases in the West Sound area and Everett.

**Naval Hospital Bremerton Emergency Department is Best in State:**

On October 20, 2000, Naval Hospital Bremerton was presented with an award recognizing their Emergency Department as the best in the state of Washington. The Emergency Nurse’s Association selected the Naval Hospital over all other Washington state hospitals for having the best customer service, most certifications and for their involvement in state and national nurse associations.

**A Healthy Community:**

Many indices reflecting the fact that Kitsap County residents experience a relatively high level of individual health can be found in Health Status of Kitsap County, 1998 Supplement. This report was prepared by Bremerton-Kitsap County Health District, Harrison Memorial Hospital, Kitsap Physicians Service, and Group Health Cooperative of Puget Sound.

**Life Expectancy at Birth:**

Life expectancy at birth is generally regarded as a key indicator of overall community health status. As shown below, Kitsap County residents’ life expectancy is significantly higher than that of other residents of Washington or the United States. It compares favorably with Japan, which has the highest life expectancies of any country in the world.

**A Healthy Future:**

	Kitsap	Washington	United States	Japan
Males	76.2 yrs	74.0 yrs	72.2 yrs	76.4 yrs
Females	81.1 yrs	80.0 yrs	78.8 yrs	82.8 yrs

Kitsap County has a relatively young and healthy population. The region has an environment that beckons with a myriad of recreational activities. The community has a track record of creative, collaborative, and successful efforts to improve residents’ quality of life and provide quality, cost-effective healthcare. Vision and leadership continue to develop services and facilities to meet future health needs based on today’s solid foundation.

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