



Serving the healthcare needs of a global city



“HHC is the largest and most effective healthcare system in the nation, providing ‘first-rate healthcare,’ and it’s a big factor in why New Yorkers are living longer than the average American for the first time since World War II.”

— Mayor Michael Bloomberg

HHC FACILITIES IN ALL FIVE BOROUGHS:

11 Acute Care Facilities

- Bellevue Hospital Center
- Coney Island Hospital
- Elmhurst Hospital Center
- Harlem Hospital Center
- Jacobi Medical
- Kings County Hospital Center
- Lincoln Medical & Mental Health Center
- Metropolitan Hospital Center
- North Central Bronx Hospital
- Queens Hospital Center
- Woodhull Medical & Mental Health Center

4 Long Term Care Facilities

- Coler Goldwater Specialty Hospital and Nursing Facility
- Gouverneur Healthcare Services
- Dr. Susan Smith McKinney Nursing and Rehabilitation Center
- Sea View Hospital Rehabilitation Center and Home

6 Diagnostic & Treatment Centers

- Cumberland
- Gouverneur
- East New York
- Morrisania
- Renaissance
- Segundo Ruiz Belvis



CRITICAL CITY-WIDE INITIATIVES INCLUDE:

- Limited English Proficiency
- Management of Chronic Diseases
- Neo-Natal Developmental Care
- Palliative Care
- Pediatric Obesity
- Tele-Health



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Whether it is the CEO and his colleagues whose helicopter crashed into the East River; the child whose finger is severed in a department store; the diabetic who keeps his leg; the tourist taken ill in a restaurant; or the pregnant mother who speaks Urdu, Russian, or any of the 100 languages spoken everyday in our city - HHC is there 24/7 as a first responder, a safety net and, increasingly, a healthcare system of choice.

“I’ve been in many emergency rooms, I’ve been in many trauma centers and I’ve never seen anything like an HHC hospital. Throughout the entire process they were terrific — they were nice, they were professional, and they just handled it better than any hospital that I have been in, in anyplace, anytime in my life.”

*— Bruce Hammonds,
Former HHC Patient
CEO and President, Bank of America Card Services*

WHAT IS HHC?

The Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC), the largest municipal healthcare system in the United States, operates New York City’s 11 public hospitals, 6 diagnostic and treatment centers, 4 long-term care facilities and more than 80 community clinics. It serves more than 1.3 million men, women and children each year with more than 21,000 newborns, more than 1 million ambulatory visits, nearly 5 million clinic visits, and more than 200,000 in-patient admissions.

More than 7,000 nurses and 5,000 doctors—many of whom have academic appointments, providing one of the largest and best training grounds for residents and interns from the City’s leading academic centers—staff HHC facilities. **HHC’s core mission: to provide quality health care regardless of the ability to pay.**

CHALLENGES

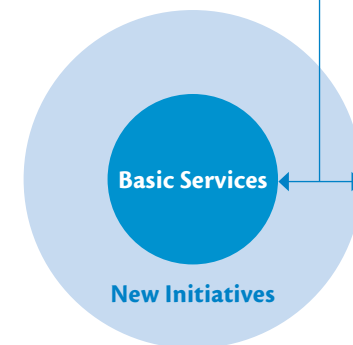
The highly diverse communities HHC serves have the highest rates of poverty in New York State, with a patient population that includes the uninsured, the under-insured, and new immigrants from virtually every corner of the globe. Traditional funding sources, however, provide little flexibility for innovative programs intended to address the special needs of our communities or for the continuation and strengthening of bold initiatives, like our cancer screening outreach and chronic disease management programs that hold great promise for reducing the healthcare disparities so common in underserved populations. Addressing these challenges requires resources beyond HHC’s current funding streams.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Over the last 10 years, the quality of care within the public hospital system has been raised dramatically.¹ But keeping it there and making further progress require support.

Quality healthcare and innovative programs and services, as we all know, come with a price tag. What you may not know, however, is that not all costs for public hospitals’ financing come from tax-levied dollars. New York City tax funds play an important but modest role in HHC’s financial stability, representing less than 10% of its annual budget.

By partnering with us, you can help us fill the gap and realize our vision for a healthy New York.



HOW YOU CAN HELP

The HHC Foundation was created by HHC as its philanthropic arm. It is a separate, independent 501(c)(3) that helps ensure that the public hospital system is in a position to deliver the highest quality care, and to provide support to meet non-reimbursable, unmet needs that go beyond the basics.

Currently, innovative evidence-based services range from neonatal developmental care to hospital-based palliative care programs, from educational programs designed to teach children how to identify stroke symptoms to providing uninsured young artists the opportunity to barter their art for medical care; from translation services for limited English proficient patients, including wireless headphones to provide remote simultaneous translation in real-time, to programs providing an increasingly safe, efficient, patient-centered care model. The possibilities are endless.

HHC can strive to do more for the New York community by expanding its broad range of groundbreaking initiatives across the continuum of care. It is public/private partnerships that will help HHC stay ahead of the curve and increase its effectiveness. We invite you to partner with us to help us realize our goals.

WHAT YOUR GIFT CAN DO

- Improve the quality of medical care for all New Yorkers
- Broaden healthcare access to the underserved and most vulnerable
- Promote public knowledge about disease prevention and health maintenance
- Support a broad range of cutting edge programs and services
- And much more....it’s really up to you!

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¹ <http://www.health.state.ny.us/nysdoh/hospital> (January '06)