



St. Elizabeth Hospital

Enumclaw, Washington

Expanding access to care for vulnerable populations

St. Elizabeth Hospital is a 38-bed critical access hospital located in Enumclaw, Washington. The hospital offers a full range of services including 24/7 emergency services, surgical services, walk-in laboratory services, and a family birth center.

St. Elizabeth Hospital is part of Virginia Mason Franciscan Health, a nonprofit health system that was created when CHI Franciscan and Virginia Mason merged in January 2021. One of the largest health systems in Washington state, Virginia Mason Franciscan Health includes 10 acute care hospitals, 284 outpatient centers, 12 urgent care clinics, Franciscan Hospice House, the Bailey-Boushay House, and the Benaroya Research Institute.

The 340B Drug Pricing Program helps expand access to care and stretch scarce health care dollars to deliver high-quality care to vulnerable patient populations, including low income, uninsured, underinsured, and homeless patients, as well as those living in rural communities. In addition, the 340B Program allows hospitals to offset uncompensated care and provide expensive medications free of cost, while focusing on safe, cost-effective care that results in improved patient outcomes.

340B savings support

- The outpatient infusion center provides comprehensive care and non-oncology infusion services in a rural setting, allowing patients to seek quality care and receive treatment near their families and in their home community.
- Through Project Access, the Premium Assistance program helps cover premiums for insured individuals who cannot afford premiums, keeping them from becoming uninsured.
- Copay assistance is provided for patients who meet the criteria and cannot afford complete copays.
- The Diabetes Assistance Program provides underinsured patients with insulin, monitoring equipment and supplies at no cost
- Free medications are obtained for patients who have no insurance.
- Uncompensated care is provided to improve the health of the community, including provision of emergency services.
- Programs address opioid addiction, including provision of free naloxone to patients and families.
- Financial support for patients who cannot afford transportation, DME, housing, and caregiver costs.

340B in Action
Critical Access Hospital

 \$682,000
340B Savings

 \$52,000
Community Benefit
(charity care + uncompensated care + community programs)

 38
Total Licensed Beds

 4,987
Inpatient Days

 22,854
Outpatient Visits

 13,775
Emergency Care