

Covenant Health System

Covenant Health System, a ministry of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Orange, was established on June 10, 1998, by the merger of St. Mary of the Plains Hospital and Lubbock Methodist Hospital System. Its mission is to extend Christian ministry by caring for the whole person—body, mind and spirit—and by working with others to improve the health and quality of life in our communities. Based on the values of the Covenant Health System including dignity, excellence, service, and justice, the hospital is able to carry out its vision to bring people together to provide compassionate care, promote health improvement, and create healthy communities.

Covenant Health System serves as one of the largest non-profit organizations in the West Texas/Eastern New Mexico region, serving a 62 county area with a population of over 1.2 million people. CHS consists of 1,103 licensed beds, more than 5,000 employees and over 600 admitting physicians at its cornerstone facilities. The cornerstone hospitals in Covenant Health System include:

- Covenant Medical Center, 3615 19th Street, Lubbock , Texas, 79410; (806) 725-0000
- Covenant Medical Center – Lakeside, 4000 24th Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79410; (806) 725-0000
- Covenant Children’s Hospital, 4015 22nd Place, Lubbock, Texas, 79410; (806) 725-0040
- Covenant Specialty Hospital, 3815 20th Street, Lubbock, Texas, 79410; (806) 725-9200

Within these flagship facilities in Lubbock, CHS houses a number of specialty treatment centers, including Covenant Heart Institute, Covenant Neuroscience Institute, Ownes-White Outpatient Rehabilitation Center, Joe Arrington Cancer Research and Treatment Center, and Covenant Women’s Hospital. In addition, CHS offers three career-specific health care schools. The School of Nursing, School of Radiology and School of SurgiTech combine clinical experience at Covenant with classroom learning to prepare students for licensure in the field of their choice.

Led by Covenant Hospital Levelland and Covenant Hospital Plainview, CHS has a network of 14 leased and managed community hospitals, and 20 Covenant Healthcare Centers and Family Healthcare Centers. Covenant is committed to offering accessible, affordable care to Lubbock and the surrounding areas, including providing \$59 million in community health and education services in 2007.

The Covenant Foundation is also a result of the merger of St. Mary of the Plains Hospital Foundation and the Lubbock Methodist Hospital System Foundation. The foundation’s focus is to provide Covenant doctors and nurses with access to the latest technology and to make lifesaving programs possible.

Covenant Health System’s ongoing desire to be a community partner was the impetus in establishing the Health and Social Services Fellowship in 1997 to financially assist graduate students pursuing social work related fields including clinical psychology, counseling psychology, human development and family studies, sociology, MBA/health organization management and marriage and family therapy