

A TRANSFORMATIONAL PARTNERSHIP

University of
Colorado Health



University of Colorado Hospital

#1 Academic Hospital in America: University HealthSystem Consortium



**POUDRE VALLEY
HEALTH SYSTEM**

Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award-winner



Children's Hospital Colorado

Top 5 Pediatric Hospital in America: *US News & World Report*



University of Colorado

Health Sciences Schools # 7 among public medical schools in research funding

AND



Memorial Health System

The clinicians, employees and patients of Memorial Health System

THE PROPOSAL IN BRIEF

Four of the state's best health care organizations propose to partner with – not acquire, but join – the clinicians and employees of a fifth great organization, Memorial Health System.

Together, they bring the people of the Pikes Peak region expanded access to medical specialties, super-specialties and clinical trials that others don't have and cannot offer.

In addition, they bring a long-standing commitment to serving the un- and under-insured as well as special populations like the military. In fact, University of Colorado Hospital has long served on the board of TriCare's parent organization. Partnered with Memorial, the University of Colorado Health System would account for care provided to approximately 90% of the TriCare population in the state.



MEMORIAL'S NEW ALLIANCE

Features

- » Memorial Health System becomes an independent 501(c)3 organization and the southern hub of a unique new, Colorado born and bred health care system. This system marries the very best in advanced academic medicine to the very best in community care.
- » Its new partners are, literally, the top academic and community care hospitals not only in the state, but the nation.
- » Memorial becomes the chassis that carries advanced clinical care to the surrounding region.
- » It is a system in which the vast clinical, financial and community benefits created will stay here, not be dispersed to stockholders in distant places.

COLORADO SPRINGS' NEW PARTNERS

Community growth

The partners commit at least \$3 million per year for at least 40 years towards making a branch medical campus at UCCS – and all the educational, economic and employment benefits that would accompany it – a reality.

The four not-for-profit organizations allying with Memorial have an enviable record of consistent job growth even in difficult economic times.

Financial Highlights

A \$1.8 billion investment in the greater Colorado Springs community, including a significant immediate consideration of \$74 million.

Mechanisms to relieve both Memorial and the City of Colorado Springs from their current debt and unfunded pension liabilities.

A large and ongoing commitment to invest in Memorial's infrastructure, including an integrated, state-of-the-art electronic health information system.



Local Control

Memorial itself would be run by a new local governing board. The majority of directors would be residents of El Paso County.

Memorial's board, in turn, would report to and have a voice in the governing board of the new University of Colorado Health System.

A NEW PARTNER FOR THE COMMUNITY

Great health care rests deep in the community. It is tightly networked with community groups. Done right, health care responds and moves with the community's rhythms, the changing needs of its patients and its people.



Who We Are

University of Colorado Hospital is now among the elite hospitals in the land. After three years of rising steadily in University HealthSystem Consortium's rigorous, data-based rankings of patient outcomes, patient safety and clinical effectiveness, in September UCH won the consortium's coveted Clinical Leadership Award, bestowed on the top-performing academic hospital in the United States.

Two months earlier, *US News & World Report* named five of its specialties among America's best, and named UCH the #1 hospital in the Denver metro area for the second straight year.



Nationally Ranked Hospital



Ranked #1 in Denver

Poudre Valley Health System is one of 11 hospitals in the US to earn the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, given by the President of the United States for organizational excellence.

Children's Hospital Colorado, which would open a pediatric specialty hospital within Memorial, is the 5th-best children's hospital in the country, according to *US News & World Report*.

And the **University of Colorado's Health Sciences Schools**, a consistent source of medical discovery as well as elite physicians and nurses, would expand their medical school presence at the growing University of Colorado Colorado Springs campus. In the process, it would also bring more students, sophisticated research and considerable economic development to the campus. Finally, it would expand the reach of the campus's Beth-el College of Nursing throughout the region.