

# Palo Alto Medical Foundation

*~ The mission of the Palo Alto Medical Foundation is to provide and integrate quality health care, health education and biomedical research to improve the health status of our region. ~*



## **Facts at a Glance (2006)**

**Palo Alto Medical Foundation:**  
*(Including Santa Cruz Medical Clinic and Camino Medical Group)*

Patient Visits: million

Employees: 3,374

Net Patient Revenue: \$738 million

Community Benefit

Contribution: \$12.2 million

## **Honors and Distinctions ~**

- Recognized by San Carlos School District for parent workshops (2006)
- Palo Alto Medical Clinic and Camino Medical Group recognized by the Integrated Healthcare Association as top-performing medical groups in the state (2005, 2006)
- Best Internet Site Award for a medical group or foundation from eHealthcare Leadership Awards (2002-2005)
- Web Excellence Award for outstanding content from Medicine On The Net Magazine (2004, 2002)
- Web Excellence Award for content of preteen Web site from WWW Health Awards (2005)

The not-for-profit Palo Alto Medical Foundation (PAMF) for Health Care, Research and Education is a pioneer in both multispecialty group practice of medicine and outpatient medicine. Since its founding in 1930 by Russel V.A. Lee, M.D., the Palo Alto Medical Clinic has been a pioneer in both multispecialty group practice and outpatient medicine. PAMF became an affiliate of Sutter Health in 1993. Today, PAMF is recognized as a national leader in using state-of-the-art technology, including electronic health records, to provide patients with the highest quality care possible.

PAMF has three health care divisions—the Camino Division, the Palo Alto Division and the Santa Cruz Division—as well as the Education Division and the Research Institute. The medical groups affiliated with PAMF are Camino Medical Group (250 physicians), Palo Alto Medical Clinic (380 physicians) and Santa Cruz Medical Clinic (130 physicians).

## **Services ~**

Allergy • Anesthesiology • Cardiology • Community Health Resource Center • Cosmetic Surgery • Dermatology • Ear, Nose and Throat • Endocrinology and Metabolism • Endoscopy • Executive Health Program • Eye Department: Ophthalmology and Optometry • Family Medicine • Gastroenterology • Hospitalists • Infectious Diseases/Immunology • Internal Medicine • Laboratory and Pathology • Laser Vision Correction • Neurology • Radiology • Nuclear Medicine • Nutrition • Obstetrics and Gynecology • Occupational Medicine • Oncologic/Colon/Rectal Surgery • Oncology (Hematology, and Medical and Radiation Oncology) • Orthopedic Surgery • Pediatric Cardiology • Pediatric Hospitalists • Pharmacy • Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation • Physical Therapy • Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery • Podiatric Medicine and Surgery • Psychiatry and Behavioral Health • Pulmonary Disease and Critical Care • Neurosurgery • Radiology (including MRI, CT, Mammography and Ultrasound) • Reproductive Endocrinology and Fertility • Rheumatology • Sports Medicine • Surgery (General, Cardiothoracic and Thoracic) • Total Joint Replacement • Travel Medicine • Urgent Care • Urology • Weight Loss Surgery

## **Sampling of Community Partnerships/Programs ~**

In 2006, PAMF continued to support various community programs and services such as:

- Projects and educational activities with local school districts
- Partnerships with community organizations, including close partnerships with community clinics in underserved areas
- Education Division—Provides health and wellness programs.
- Research Institute—Improved health care for patients, as new knowledge is translated into medical practice.

## Highlights of New Programs/ Services/Facilities ~

- Camino Medical Group began providing minimally invasive hip replacement surgery, an innovative intraocular lens implant, and an advanced endoscopic ultrasound (EU) procedure to assess gastrointestinal disease.
- In 2006, the Fremont Center opened a new building on its campus, and the Palo Alto Clinic expanded with the opening of the new 41,000-square-foot Clark Building. In 2007, PAMF opened clinic locations in Castro Valley and Dublin.
- The Redwood City Center opened in 2005 and in 2006, the Redwood City Women's Health Center opened to provide patients with obstetric and gynecologic care.
- The Portola Valley Women's Health Center added its Reproductive Endocrinology and Fertility Department in 2005.
- The new 250,000-square-foot medical facility for Camino Medical Group opened in Mountain View in 2007.
- More than 75,000 Palo Alto Division patients are now enrolled in PAMFOnline, an innovative set of Internet-based services that allows patients to connect to key portions of their electronic medical record. PAMFOnline introduced two new services: "Proxy Access" and "PAMFOnline for Children."
- Menlo Park Surgical Hospital became a part of PAMF in 2006.



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## Improving Facilities and Access ~

The Sutter Health network of physicians and not-for-profit hospitals plans to invest more than \$6.6 billion over ten years to rebuild, replace and expand much of Northern California's health care infrastructure. Locally, plans include:

- **Camino Division**—New main campus opening in Mountain View, and new medical office building in Sunnyvale
- **Palo Alto Division**—Expansion of facilities and services in Fremont and Palo Alto; opening of new facilities in Castro Valley, Dublin and Redwood City
- **Santa Cruz Division**—Continue to expand ambulatory sites and available hospital and home health services

## Advancing Patient Safety ~

Palo Alto Medical Foundation and our Sutter Health network are raising the bar on patient care and safety. We are the first network on the West Coast to use early warning software as well as advanced video and electronic monitoring to allow physician specialists to keep an even closer eye on critically ill patients 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Our network also uses bar-coding and expert databases to track medication orders and help prevent errors. Only about 5 percent of U.S. hospitals currently employ this patient-safety technology. Additionally, Sutter Health is investing \$154 million to deploy an electronic health record (EHR) system networkwide. This newest commitment expands on EHR technology already benefiting patients at the Palo Alto Medical Foundation. Sutter's inpatient-outpatient system—which will help ensure better, safer, faster health care—will be one of the first in the United States to include secure patient access to their medical record.

## About Sutter Health ~

Palo Alto Medical Foundation is part of the Sutter Health family of not-for-profit hospitals, physician organizations and other medical services that share resources and expertise to advance health care quality. Serving more than 100 communities in Northern California, Sutter Health is a regional leader in cardiac care, cancer treatment, orthopedics, obstetrics, and newborn intensive care, and is a pioneer in advanced patient safety technology. For more information, visit [www.sutterhealth.org](http://www.sutterhealth.org).

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