On January 11, 1972, a group of twenty-four concerned citizens gathered in a local restaurant with the common desire to find a way to alleviate the poor health conditions of people living in our service area. They voted to create a nonprofit organization known as the North Central Washington Migrant Health Project to address these health care needs.

On April 1, 1972, they received their first grant of $125,000 to serve Grant, Okanogan, Chelan, and Douglas counties. Early services included screenings by nurses in outreach vans in the orchards and along the roads. Night clinics were held in borrowed churches and offices by contracting with local physicians.

In the ensuing years, Okanogan and Grant counties developed their own Community Health Centers. The organization’s name changed to Columbia Valley Community Health, and services were expanded to include full-time providers and professional facilities. In addition to the Medical program, the organization added Dental, Women, Infants and Children (WIC) and comprehensive maternity support services.

In the summer of 1998, CVCH moved to 600 Orondo Avenue where additional space allowed for expansion of services to include on site Pharmacy, Radiology, and Chronic Disease Management. In the summer 2001, the Board of Directors voted to expand CVCH clinic services to the Chelan-Manson community which was initiated in October 2001, then moved to a new site at 317 East Johnson Avenue in August 2002. In 2012 we filled a new 15,000 sq. ft. clinic addition with 12 new medical exam rooms and eight state-of-the-art, completely digital dental operatories. We also opened a new Express Care Clinic in East Wenatchee to provide the residents of Douglas County access to affordable services.

**Our Mission:**
It is the mission of Columbia Valley Community Health to provide access to improved health and wellness with compassion and respect for all

**Our Values:**
Respect, Trust, Compassion, Integrity, Quality
Integrated Services within our Medical Home

Family Medicine • Dental • Midwifery • Pediatrics • Prenatal • Behavioral Medicine • Women’s Health • Children’s and Adult Behavioral Health • Chronic Disease Management • On-site Lab and X-ray • Pharmacy • Diabetes Management Program • Nutrition Education Services

“I have never gone anywhere where everything was so integrated, including the dentist and hygienist. It’s been a very helpful experience to me, having everything so handy. I have found the integrated services close knit and it’s given me a sense of belonging and in turn a sense of security.”

Beverly, CVCH Patient, Wenatchee

Who We Serve

In 2015, 26,306 patients received care at CVCH.
Total number of Migrant/Seasonal Workers: 10,062
Patients best served in language other than English: 11,071
Total patient visits: 110,441

Insurance coverage
Medicaid 54%
Private Insurance 22%
Uninsured Patients 6%
Medicare 18%

Age
19 years and under: 40%
20 - 44 years: 36%
45 - 64 years: 20%
65 years and older: 4%

Income by Federal Poverty Level
1 - 100% 55%
101 - 200% 35%
Over 200% 10%

Patient Diversity
Hispanic/Latino: 57%
White/Caucasian: 41%
Other: 2%

90% of our patients are under 200% of the FPL

“I am often asked why I have chosen to spend my career at CVCH, and I always reply as soon as someone can find more important work for me to do with better people, I will take that job.”

Dr. Malcolm Butler, CVCH Medical Director

“There are three words that define CVCH to me: Mission, compassion, team.” Louise Simons, MD
**Benefits**

- Competitive salary
- Employer-paid Medical, Vision and Dental benefits (*Dependents covered at 100%*)
- Employer-paid basic Life, AD&D and Long Term Disability Insurance
- Paid Time Off: 1st year accrue 15 days
  
  **One additional PTO day per year of service (max. 25 days)**

- 11 paid Holidays *in addition* to Paid Time Off
- 403(b) Retirement plan with 150% matching contributions (*on the first 3%*)
- Relocation/Signing bonus
- #1 EHR in KLAS survey
- Fitness Discounts
- Cell Phone Discounts
- Transportation Discounts: Link Bus Transit
- Third world Spanish-language immersion program
- Provider Loan Repayment (National Health Service Corps)
- Employer-paid iPhone for physicians taking call

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“As a new graduate Physician Assistant, one of the things that originally attracted me to CVCH was the autonomy and respect given mid-level providers. Tim Seaman, PA, and Andrea Hoey, ARNP have been with CVCH almost since the very beginning, and this has helped the organization develop a culture where mid-levels are afforded maximum autonomy and respect for their experience.”  

Casey Wyatt, PA-C

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**Wenatchee is GREEN**

Hydropower is one of our region’s great resources and the Columbia River is at the core of life in the Wenatchee Valley. The Chelan County Public Utility District harnesses the river’s power and produces the renewable hydro energy that sustains modern life. As they explore alternatives such as solar and wind, the PUD remains committed to prudent energy and water conservation programs.

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**Joint Commission Certified**

What began over 40 years ago as a migrant health center, operating out of churches, borrowed offices and vans, is now a pace-setting industry leader. In April 2012, CVCH was the first outpatient clinic in the Pacific Northwest to receive **Primary Care Medical Home** accreditation from the Joint Commission.

**Why is this important?** Because it validates that what we have done, and continue to do, is of the highest quality and is setting standards within the healthcare industry.

A “medical home” is a model of care whereby a team of health professionals work together to provide comprehensive, coordinated and accessible patient-centered care. Caring about our patients is the most important job of a medical home. Our primary product is not healthcare; it is relationship building.

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**Our Locations:**

**Wenatchee**
- Medical, Dental, Walk-in, Midwifery, WIC, Behavioral Health, Behavioral Medicine, Pharmacy, Lab, X-ray, Outreach, Advocacy

**Chelan**
- Medical, Dental, WIC Walk-in, Children’s Behavioral Health

**East Wenatchee**
- Express Care, Primary Care Adult Behavioral Health
Welcome to the Wenatchee Valley
Doing important work where others vacation
300 days of sunshine • Four distinct seasons • Great local schools • Minimal commute and traffic • Low crime rate
Wenatchee Valley College • Renewable, affordable energy
Healthy tourism • Agriculture and wine country

Our Community

Sports and Recreation

The Water: Wenatchee River, Columbia River and Lake Chelan
Boating • Canoeing • Kayaking • White Water Rafting • Water Skiing
Stand-up Paddle Boarding • Tubing • Swimming • Wakeboarding • Fishing

The Mountains: The Enchantments, the Foothills, National Forests
Stevens Pass Ski Resort • Mission Ridge Mountain Resort • Rock Climbing
Hiking • Backpacking • Mountain Biking • Snow Skiing • Snowmobiling
Snowshoeing • Horseback Riding • Camping

Activities

Town Toyota Center • Performing Arts Center • Icicle Creek Center for the Arts • Wenatchee Valley Symphony Orchestra • Wenatchee Valley Museum & Cultural Center • Mission Creek Players • Music Theater of Wenatchee
Semi-pro Sports Teams: Baseball, Soccer, Football, Hockey and Roller Derby • Pybus Public Market and Farmers Markets • 39 local Wineries • Art on the Avenues • First Friday Art Walks Festivals • Fairs • Apple Capital Loop Trail: 11-mile water-front paved loop for pedestrians, cyclists and skaters • Ohme Gardens Parks • Cinemas
Rocky Reach Dam • Washington State Apple Blossom Festival • Foot, Bike and Trail Races • Half and Full Marathons • Triathlons • Rodeos • Music and SO MUCH MORE!!!

Chelan County

HOUSING
Cost of Living Index (US avg =100): 94.9
Median Household Income: $58,360
3-Bedroom House Price: $220,000
2 Bedroom Apartment Rent: $895.00

CLIMATE
Annual Precipitation: 11.4 inches
Average snowfall: 21 Inches
Elevation: 1096 Feet