

Ensuring that our reproductive and gynecological health service line is provided in a safe, welcoming environment is critical to our mission to remain singularly focused on the patient experience. Expanding and modernizing our current clinical space will provide considerable benefits to our patients and providers.

FY'23 Appropriations Funding Request

Project name: Jefferson Reproductive and Gynecological Health Project

Amount requested: \$4,000,000 Project cost: \$10,000,000

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Ensuring local access to reproductive and gynecological health care is critical for the health of our community

Jefferson County residents have a growing need for full spectrum reproductive and gynecological (OB/GYN) healthcare. Although Jefferson Healthcare provides these services, the community demand for advanced technology and state-of-the-art space is expanding, and we have outgrown what we can offer in our current clinical space. One key service provided by obstetrics and gynecologists is surgery and procedures; with only three operating rooms, we are unable to meet the demand for procedures such as hysterectomies, hysteroscopies, and abortion management. With limited space, our operating rooms are often full during the day, leaving little access for emergent surgeries such as cesarean sections.

Larger clinic areas and additional procedural and surgery space are critical to supporting the vast array of consultations, procedures, and treatments that are centralized through our OB/GYN Clinic. Patients seeking reproductive and gynecological care in our community are often leaving the area to do so; driving the hour or more to neighboring counties to receive care that we could provide here at home if we had state-of-the-art technology and modern facilities.

The Jefferson Reproductive and Gynecological Health Project will enhance and expand access to our residents

Jefferson Healthcare is committed to providing the highest quality, most patient-centered care to patients seeking reproductive healthcare or gynecological services in our community. Current space on the Jefferson Healthcare campus does not allow our providers to use the most current and cutting edge technology, limiting care available here on campus and forcing patients to leave the community. We are aiming to expand the provision of procedures such as surgical abortions or miscarriage management past 11 weeks. With Port Townsend projected to undergo significant population growth over the next decade, the pool of patients needing gynecological or reproductive health care services will be in the thousands annually. This creates an increased need for a holistic, comprehensive service line.

Jefferson Healthcare is committed to providing comprehensive reproductive health services because we believe our community deserves and is entitled to nothing less.

- Mike Glenn, CEO, Jefferson Healthcare