

Journey Forward

Bringing Healthcare Closer to Home

Arctic Slope Native Association

Strategic Plan 2024-2034

Samuel Simmonds Memorial Hospital & Village Health Services

From Leadership

Through the coming decade, with guidance and support from the ASNA Board of Directors, ASNA is committed to delivering high-quality, safe and sustainable healthcare for the people of the Arctic Slope. SSMH and village health services will undergo transformative growth. We are investing in specialty medical care, and improving rural access to diagnostic and emergency intensive care services to meet the healthcare needs across the region.

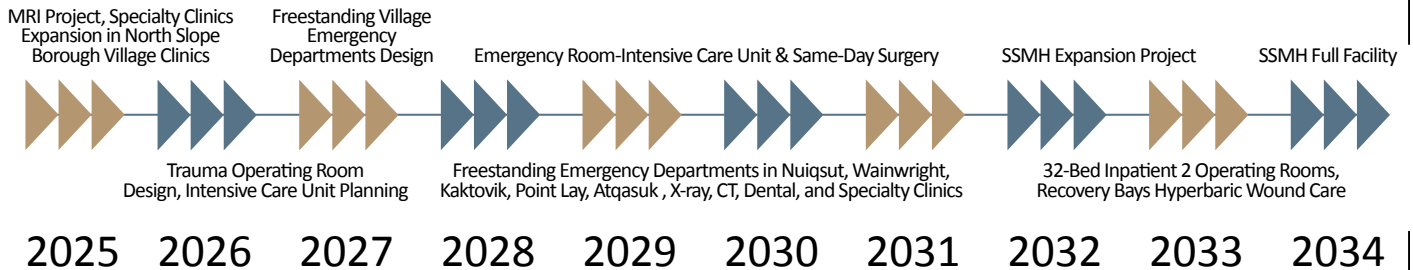
Mission

Promote the health and well-being of the people of the Arctic Slope.

Vision

The people of the Arctic Slope are healthy and content.

MILESTONES



*milestones may be achieved sooner, as resources are available

Strategic Goals & Initiatives

1. Expand Specialty Services (2025–2026)

- Introduce Urology, Gastroenterology, Ear, Nose, and Throat(ENT), and electroencephalogram(EEG) services.
- Implement Rapid AI diagnostics for stroke and expand 4D ultrasound.
- Develop full-time anesthesia and surgical coverage, including SSMH birthing suite expansion

2. Build Advanced Diagnostic Infrastructure (2025–2027)

- Deploy MRI, advanced medical imaging at SSMH
- Upgrade Electronic Health Record(EHR), imaging, and biomedical systems.
- Expand tissue management, sterile processing, and laboratory capacity.

3. Establish Level III Trauma and Emergency-Intensive Care Unit Capability (2026–2028)

- Design/construct trauma-operating room with integrated Intensive Care Unit (ICU's) and Same-Day Surgery units.
- Recruit emergency-certified physicians and specialized trauma staff.
- Implement critical care dashboards and trauma procedure resources.

4. Rural Emergency Room Expansion (2027–2032)

- Build/accredit Emergency Rooms in Nuiqsut, Wainwright, Kaktovik, Point Lay, and Atkasuk with X-ray/CT and specialty clinics.
- Secure sustainable funding, land, and connectivity for each site.
- Develop staff housing and remote medical support systems.

5. Hospital Expansion (2032–2035)

- Construct 2 inpatient wings with 32 beds.
- Add 2 operating rooms with recovery bays and a Hyperbaric Wound Care Center.
- Expand PT, rehab, and supply chain facilities.

Guiding Principle

Piqpakkutiqāñiq
*Love and Respect for
One Another*

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