



Sanford Children's Clinic in Oceanside, CA Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Q: Why is [Sanford Health](#) based in Sioux Falls, SD and Fargo, ND opening a clinic in Oceanside, CA?

A: In February 2007, South Dakota businessman and philanthropist Denny Sanford set a standard in health care philanthropy with an unprecedented gift of \$400 million to Sanford Health. As part of the transformational announcement, Sanford Health announced that his gift would fund several initiatives. One of those initiatives involved establishing a network of [Sanford Children's Clinics](#) around the world in communities seeking to expand access to pediatric care. The Sanford Clinic in Oceanside is the second of these clinics to open its doors. The first opened in Duncan, OK in 2009. Sanford Health, partnering with Rady Children's Hospital-San Diego, will expand and strengthen pediatric services in northwest San Diego County as well as to expand clinical research.

Q: Who made this clinic possible?

A: In addition to the original gift from Mr. Sanford, the clinic is part of a partnership with Rady Children's Hospital-San Diego. A \$2.5 million donation was also made by the Wygod's Rose Foundation to Sanford Health.

Q: Who are Martin and Pamela Wygod and how did they become involved in this project?

A: Martin J. Wygod is Chairman of the Board of WebMD Health Corp, the leading provider of health information services, serving consumers, physicians, healthcare professionals, employers and health plans. Pamela S. Wygod is President of The Rose Foundation and Co-Chair of the WebMD Health Foundation. She has 20 years of philanthropic experience focusing on health, education and child welfare.

Martin and Pamela became involved in the Sanford Children's Clinic in Oceanside when they met Denny Sanford. After meeting Mr. Sanford and learning about his plans to build a children's clinic in Oceanside, the Wygod's were inspired to help fund the clinic. Through their extensive work in philanthropy in San Diego, the Wygod's knew how much a world-class clinic would enhance the lives of children in the Oceanside area.

In honor of their continued philanthropic gifts to the region, the center will be named the Web MD Pavilion.

Q: What are the details of the clinic?

A: A portion of the donation purchased a 28,500 square foot building at Ocean Terrace Professional Center in Oceanside. Sanford Children's and Rady Children's will share the building, which is designed to look like a castle. Rady Children's consolidated four nearby specialty clinics into the facility and Sanford Children's is using 6,000 square feet of the building to operate a general pediatric clinic. Rady Children's will also operate an after-hours urgent care clinic in the facility.

Q: When will the clinic open?

A: The Sanford Children's Clinic will open on April 4, 2011. Rady Children's will also begin offering services on April 4, 2011.

Q: Who is Rady Children's Hospital-San Diego?

A: [Rady Children's Hospital-San Diego](http://www.rchsd.org), the largest children's hospital in California, is a 442-bed pediatric care facility providing the largest source of comprehensive pediatric medical services in San Diego, Southern Riverside and Imperial counties. Rady Children's is the only hospital in the San Diego area dedicated exclusively to pediatric healthcare and is the region's only designated pediatric trauma center. On October 10, 2010, Rady Children's opened the Acute Care Pavilion, a LEED-Certified (green) building that is home to the incredible new Peckham Center for Cancer and Blood Disorders, the state-of-the-art Warren Family Surgical Center, and a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit that cares for our community's most fragile newborns. In August 2010, U.S. News & World Report ranked Rady Children's among the nation's best in five pediatric specialties. For more information, visit www.rchsd.org.

Q: How is this clinic connected to Sanford Children's Hospital?

A: Sanford Health believes that care is best provided close to home. Patients will be seen and treated by providers in the new Sanford Children's Clinic in Oceanside. The Sanford Children's will work closely with clinic physicians and staff as well as other regional pediatric organizations such as Rady Children's. In addition, physicians in the new clinic will be closely connected to the team of pediatric physicians at Rady Children's who are specially trained in a wide variety of pediatric subspecialties.

Q: Who can see physicians or other providers at the Sanford Children's Clinic in Oceanside?

A: Children from birth to age 18 will be the primary make-up of the patient population. More than 110,000 children live within a ten mile radius of the clinic.

Q: Which Rady Children's clinics are located within the building?

A: Rady Children's will consolidate four nearby specialty clinics into the facility, providing psychiatry, developmental services, various pediatric subspecialty services and the Chadwick Center, all under one roof. Additionally, an urgent care, after-hours clinic for children will be available.

Q: How will Sanford Children's Clinic in Oceanside collaborate with Rady Children's in San Diego, CA as well as Sanford Children's Hospital?

A: Both Sanford Children's and Rady Children's use Epic, a comprehensive clinical information system that includes electronic medical records. Rady Children's and Sanford Children's will also work together on clinical research initiatives to expand patients' access to appropriate clinical research opportunities.

Q: What services are available in the Sanford Children's Clinic?

A: The [Sanford Children's Clinic](#) will open with Donald Miller, MD from Children's Primary Care Medical Group, who will begin seeing patients April 4. As a general pediatrician, Dr. Miller specializes in the care of infants and children and the treatment of their diseases. The clinic also expects to add more providers in the future.

Q: Who is Sanford Health?

A: Sanford Health consists of two long-standing health systems in the Dakotas who merged in 2009; Sanford Health based in Sioux Falls, SD and MeritCare based in Fargo, ND. The largest rural not-for-profit healthcare system in the nation, Sanford Health has a presence in eight states (North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa, Nebraska, Oklahoma, California and Oregon). It includes 32 hospitals, as well as more than 900 physicians in numerous clinics in more than 70 specialty areas of medicine. With more than 20,000 employees, Sanford is the largest employer in North and South Dakota. For more information, visit www.sanfordhealth.org

Q: How will Sanford Children's Clinics around the world benefit patients in Sanford Health's main service area in North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska?

A: These clinics will benefit all patients, no matter where they live.

- Sanford Health will study healthcare delivery models in various states and countries, which will allow for improved delivery of care and patient experience everywhere.
- Sanford Health will also study pediatric reimbursement models and utilization which will allow the organization to spotlight potential areas needing legislative change.
- These clinics will allow for more diverse clinical trial populations, hopefully leading to more cures and treatments at a faster pace.
- Allow Sanford Health to continue to build its brand globally over time.