

2025

COMMUNITY *Report*



YELLOWHAWK
TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER

MAIN SERVICES



YELLOWHAWK
TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER

ALLIED HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT

- Audiology (Outside service are available for PRC eligible patients)
- Optometry
- Physical Therapy
- Nicht-Yow-Way Senior Center - Senior Services
- Transportation

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- Auricular Acupuncture (Acudetox)
- Culturally based and focused prevention programming, events, activities, and trainings
- DUII Program licensed by State of Oregon
- K'usiinmi Tawnúkt "Horse Medicine" Program
- Neqce?éce Qapšqapšnáawit "Family Strength" Program
- Outpatient mental health therapy for children, youth, adults, and families including: walk-in crisis response, pediatric tele-psychiatry, adult psychiatric medication management, and peer support
- Peer recovery mentoring
- Pinánay"ukt "Gathering Oneself Together" Program - Sober Transitional House
- Problem Gambling support, knowledge, prevention, and education
- School-based mental health therapy for children and youth
- Trauma informed outpatient mental health and substance use disorder services that include treatment, awareness, prevention, and outreach

DENTAL DEPARTMENT

- Dental Whitening for eligible patients
- Implants and Orthodontics for PRC eligible patients
- Laser and minimally invasive dentistry
- Night guards and Athletic Mouth guards
- Nitrous to help those with dental anxiety
- Non-Surgical Periodontal Therapy
- Preventative services (cleanings, exams and digital x-rays)
- Prosthetic dental work such as crowns, bridges, partials, dentures
- Restorative dentistry
- Root Canal Therapy
- Simple and Surgical Extractions

LAB & RADIOLOGY (MEDICAL)

- Comprehensive blood and body fluid analysis
- Skilled phlebotomy and blood draws
- Electrocardiograms (EKG)
- Drug therapy monitoring
- Digital X-Rays
- Ultrasound
- Screening Mammography

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

- Chronic disease management
- Family practice medicine
- Immunizations
- Patient-centered primary care medical home
- Physicals
- Podiatry
- Prenatal/Obstetrics
- Preventative health screenings
- Well baby and child exams
- Wellness instruction
- Women's health

OPTOMETRY (ALLIED HEALTH)

- Advanced diagnostic testing and imaging
- Contact lenses exams
- Diabetic and Pediatric eye exams
- Exam and prescription for eye glasses
- Fitting and repair of quality eye glasses
- Management of chronic eye disease such as glaucoma or cataracts
- Treatment of acute eye conditions such as injuries or infections
- Vision and medical eye care services

PHARMACY (MEDICAL)

- Anticoagulant management
- Diabetes education and management
- Medication counseling
- Medication take back - disposal site
- Tobacco cessation counseling and management

PHYSICAL THERAPY (ALLIED HEALTH)

- Cardiac rehabilitation
- Conservative drug free pain management
- Falls prevention
- Geriatric programs
- Lymphedema management
- Post-surgical rehabilitation
- Pre/post prosthetic training
- Spinal decompression/traction
- Therapeutic exercises, neuromuscular re-education, IASTM, thermal agents
- Therapeutic ultrasound, shock wave therapy/radial pressure wave, class 3B cold laser treatment
- Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation, functional/ neuromuscular electrical stimulation
- Vestibular rehabilitation

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- Communicable disease
- Community Health Planning/PHAB
- Diabetes education & support
- Health Promotion, Physical Fitness, and Pinasukwat (self-measured blood pressure program)
- Maternal and child health services
- Nutrition & diet services
- Tribal Tobacco Prevention/cessation program
- Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)

SENIOR SERVICES (ALLIED HEALTH)

- Dine-in meal service
- Home-bound delivery meal service
- Social support and resource connection

TRANSPORTATION (ALLIED HEALTH)

- Medical transportation by appointment
- Non-Emergent Medical Transportation

FROM OUR LEADERSHIP

Reflecting on the incredible progress we made in 2025 at Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center, I want to extend a grateful 'thank you' to the community. Last year was a year of growth, integration, and collaboration—all driven by our shared commitment to the health and well-being of our community.



One of the most significant milestones was the introduction of mammography services, bringing vital preventive care closer to home. This addition reflects our promise to provide comprehensive, accessible healthcare for our patients and families. We also worked closely with our Behavioral Health team on plans for a new building and site that will create much-needed space and privacy for patients seeking care. Behavioral Health further demonstrated innovation by rolling out vending machines stocked with Narcan and personal safety kits, an important step in supporting community safety and harm reduction.

Our true 32-hour, 4-day work week continued to deliver remarkable results. We've seen less use of sick time, happier staff, and improved patient care—proof that investing in our team benefits the entire community. We also welcomed new staff members and leadership, whose dedication and expertise have already made a positive impact on our ability to serve.

Community engagement remained strong throughout the year, with attendance numbers at events exceeding expectations. These gatherings remind us that healthcare is more than treatment—it's about building relationships, trust, and a sense of belonging.

As we look ahead, 2026 promises even more growth and innovation. We remain focused on expanding services, improving patient experiences, and deepening our partnerships. With the strength of our team and the support of our community, we are ready to embrace new opportunities and continue building a healthier future for generations to come.

Thank you for being part of this journey. Your trust and partnership inspire us every day.

Aaron Hines, CEO

On behalf of the Tribal Health Commission, we are honored to share the 2025 Yellowhawk Community Report. This report reflects the strength, resilience, and unity of our Tribal community. It is more than numbers and updates—it is a story of how we walk together toward wellness, guided by our traditions and values.



Our work is rooted in the belief that health is not just physical—it is spiritual, emotional, and cultural. Every step we take honors the teachings of our ancestors and the responsibility we carry for future generations. Thank you for taking time to review this report and for allowing Yellowhawk to be part of your family's health journey.

This past year has brought meaningful progress. The true-32 work week has strengthened our ability to serve you, ensuring that all departments are now open until 5 PM for care and support. In October, we celebrated the grand opening of mammography services, a long-awaited resource that keeps your care close to home.

As our circle of services grows, we remain committed to warm hand-offs between areas of care—because healing happens best when relationships are strong. We encourage you to ask questions, seek clarity, and stay connected with your provider's team. Together, we can ensure timely, compassionate care for every member of our community.

Looking ahead to 2026, we invite you to share your voice in planning the new Behavioral Health facility. Your input matters. Please visit our website, read our ads in the CUJ, and follow us on social media for updates.

Finally, we celebrate the spirit of our people. Your participation in cultural gatherings, youth prevention activities, fun runs, and events like Weaving Wednesdays reminds us that health is community. These moments ignite the passion of Yellowhawk staff and strengthen our shared vision: to be the provider of choice for Tribal families.

Thank you for walking this path with us. Here's to a healthy, connected, and culturally strong 2026.

With respect and gratitude,

Shawna Gavin,

Health Commission Chair, 2025

OUR VISION

Our Tribal Community achieves optimal health through a culture of wellness.

OUR MISSION

Empower our Tribal Community with opportunities to learn and experience healthy lifestyles.

2025 HEALTH COMMISSION



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MEMBER

**Health Commission roles at the end of the year*

CORE VALUES



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

988

LOCAL RESOURCES

YELLOWHAWK BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT
541.240.8670

CTUIR **24/7**

COMMUNITY WARM LINE
541.969.0010

COMMUNITY COUNSELING SOLUTIONS (CCS)
24/7 CRISIS LINE
541.240.8030



YELLOWHAWK
TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER

PUBLIC HEALTH



KATIE MORIOKA
DIRECTOR

At Yellowhawk, our Public Health team is the main line of community outreach and education. We are dedicated to empowering individuals and families with the knowledge and resources they need to live healthier, stronger lives. Our goals are simple: listen, support, and serve. We work together with our community—because health isn't just about medicine, it's about connection, culture, and care. From wellness programs and preventive education to responding to urgent health needs, our team is here to make sure every voice is heard and every person feels supported.



COMMUNITY HEALTH PLANNING

Community Health Planning (CHP) is a key part of our Public Health Department. Using the data from our Community Health Assessment (CHA) and the goals from our Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), Yellowhawk aims to collaborate with the community, other departments, and partner organizations to improve the health and wellness of our community overall.

The CHIP is designed to involve all CTUIR agencies and organizations in strengthening the health of our community. The CHIP was created with input from our CTUIR Community Wellness Improvement Collaborative (CCWIC), Yellowhawk Behavioral Health Department, Yellowhawk Medical Department, CTUIR Department of Child & Family Services (DCFS), CTUIR Planning Department, and CTUIR Housing completed one year of work in October 2025. The priorities of our CHIP are Nutrition & Physical Activity, Behavioral Health, and Community Engagement. As part of these efforts, some of the following work was done:

- Fitness programming continued through Public Health with over **2,000** instances of attendance at classes and events throughout the community.
- Nutrition funding increased and to target nutrition access and education throughout the community, Public Health offered Farmer's Market tokens through all departments, designed a prescription veggies program for qualifying participants, and developed and hired a Health Promotion Specialist.
- CTUIR DCFS offered **5** different traditional food excursions with **75** total participants across excursions.
- Behavioral Health Peer Recovery Mentor staff provided over **488** visits to community members from September 2024-September 2025.
- Two pilot cohorts of Project Sun Tobacco Cessation classes were offered to **10** youth at Nixyáawii Community School.
- More information about the progress of the CHIP will be released through an annual report each year.

COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2025

2,000

instances of attendance at fitness classes and events

5 TRADITIONAL

FOOD EXCURSIONS with

75 PARTICIPANTS

488 VISITS

by Behavioral Health Peer Recovery Mentor staff

10 YOUTH

PARTICIPANTS in Project Sun Tobacco Cessation Classes

TRIBAL COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT (TCHA)

Our Tribal Community Health Assessment process kicked off in 2025. The last TCHA (formerly CHA) was conducted in 2021 and had 414 individuals complete a detailed survey about their health and the health of the community. Our next TCHA will be completed in 2026, and the efforts are being led by Yellowhawk Public Health, a Yellowhawk Internal TCHA Committee, the TCHA Community Committee, and the CTUIR CCWIC.

Goals for the 2026 TCHA include:

- 2-3 focus groups identified with help from the TCHA Community Committee.
- A health survey completed by at least 500 community participants, with 30% of respondents being male.
- Community input and direction from TCHA Community Committee and various community voices.
- Assess our community's access to healthcare, health education, and our greatest health needs.

PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION (PHAB)

Yellowhawk is 1 of 8 Tribal health departments that are accredited through the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). Accredited in 2020, Yellowhawk was due for reaccreditation in 2025. However, due to updates and revisions to the PHAB Standards and Measures and shifts in policy at the Federal government level, PHAB has changed Yellowhawk's reaccreditation date to 2027. Regardless, we will continue to follow PHAB's Standards and Measures and continue to ensure we provide high-quality public health services to our community.

PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (PHEP)

In August, Yellowhawk partnered with the Umatilla County Health Department in a first-time collaboration to provide HIV and syphilis testing at the annual CTUIR Community Picnic. During the three-hour event, 67 community members received testing, supported by 15 staff assisting with check-in, testing, and documentation. Attendance increased during the final hour, and we opened an additional testing area to maintain service flow. This event demonstrated strong communication and effective coordination between the two organizations. Based on the success of this effort, we plan to continue offering this testing table at future Community Picnics to expand access to preventive sexual health services and strengthen relationships that support coordinated response during public health emergencies across Umatilla County.



PHEP and CTUIR Collaboration

PHEP and the CTUIR Public Safety Department worked together to further improve emergency preparedness throughout the CTUIR. We meet monthly to discuss needs, plan trainings, and support each other. Three major concerns were identified: slow deployment of emergency equipment, limited storage space, and officers lacking proper first aid kits. To mitigate these concerns, PHEP secured funding to purchase a covered trailer to provide extra storage and faster response during emergencies. PHEP also purchased and donated 23 first aid kits, one for each patrol vehicle and a special pet first aid kit for Valor, the department's K-9 officer. Both departments understand that their work is connected, especially when helping with community needs that impact health and safety.

Blood Drives Save Lives

In 2025, we saw a 93% increase in participation and a 148% increase in units collected compared to 2024. This growth demonstrates increased community engagement and strong support for donating blood to help those in need.



BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS

56 PARTICIPANTS
UP 93% vs. 2024

62 UNITS COLLECTED
UP 148% vs. 2024

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROJECT

Emergency preparedness supplies continue to be distributed to strengthen community resilience. In 2025, a total of **277** emergency radios and **69** fillable emergency plans were handed out at events throughout the year. These tools help households prepare for emergencies and receive timely alerts, supporting a more resilient and prepared community.

Waq̓išwitmí Taatpamá (Wah-kish-with-ME tot-puh-MUH), “Container Belonging For Life,” was created to provide crucial medical information for emergencies, like the national Vial of Life program. Adapted into the Umatilla language, it retains the acronym LIFE, which stands for Lifesaving Information for Emergencies. The program was designed to keep complete medical information easily accessible at home for emergency responders. Quick access to medical history, medications, and emergency contacts is especially important during a crisis for Elders or those with complex medical conditions. 108 kits were distributed. This program is a collaboration with CTUIR Fire Chief and the Yellowhawk Medical Department.



WIC/NUTRITION / DIABETES

Our team brings together the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program, Nutrition Services, Fitness, and the Special Diabetes Program for Indians (SDPI). Together, these programs support community members at every stage of life—from infancy through older adulthood, offering one-on-one visits that focus on education, practical guidance, and individualized plans that help people work toward their personal health goals. We also host group activities that encourage learning, shared problem solving, and mutual support among participants. Across all programs, our activities emphasize prevention, education, and community connection, helping individuals and families build healthier lives and improve overall quality of life.

Women, Infants and Children (WIC)

WIC is an income-based supplemental nutrition program that provides women, infants, and families with access to healthy foods, breastfeeding education, and additional supportive resources. Throughout the year, 95 participants were enrolled in the WIC program. During the farmers’ market season, several families took part in nutrition education classes and received vouchers to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables at the Pendleton Farmers’ Market. Additionally, WIC partnered with Community Action Program of East Central Oregon (CAPECO) to implement a Diaper Pilot Project. At the final distribution event, a total of **1,750** diapers were provided to community members.



Frontier Veggie Rx

New in 2025, Yellowhawk was selected as a site administrator for the Frontier Veggie Rx program, funded by Greater Oregon Behavioral Health, Inc. (GOBHI). The program is for individuals or families that experience food insecurity, offering access to monthly benefits to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables. **30** individuals or families participated in this new program during 2025. Yellowhawk Public Health would like to extend a thank you to Marci McMurphy with GOBHI for including our community for this opportunity.

Milk Medicine Week/Event

(WIC led with Átawišamataš partnering)

The Indigenous Milk Medicine event was held on August 13, our theme “Unapologetically Indigenous: Love, Landback, and Liberation.” The event collaboration celebrated breastfeeding and chestfeeding in Indigenous communities. Over **70** people attended the event, and **20** individuals shared their baby feeding stories, including single dads.

Traditional Food and Medicine Excursions

With the guiding assistance and collaborative efforts from the Department of Natural Resources, our team helped transport community members to participate in excursions to harvest berries and gather medicine. Over **28** individuals joined these excursions.

LiveWell

Created as a pilot program in 2025, Livewell is an 8-session Chronic Disease Prevention/Management Education program, a collaborative effort across multiple Public Health teams. This program used a combination of two evidence-based curriculums, USDA's *What Can I Eat Now* and CDC's *Prevent T2 Curriculum* to help participants learn about nutrition, physical activity, and stress management. Participants received incentives that helped support their wellness journey including grocery gift cards and access to continuous glucose monitors. The pilot cohort had **8** participants that completed the program in December of 2025.

DIABETES IMPACT AT YELLOWHAWK

WHY IT MATTERS TO YOU!

13.6% of American Indians/Alaskan Native adults are diagnosed with diabetes. Diabetes can develop at ANY age! A healthy diet, regular physical activity, maintaining a normal body weight and avoiding tobacco use are ways to prevent or delay the onset of type 2 diabetes.

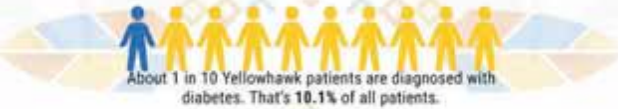


Type 1

Body doesn't make enough insulin. No known prevention.

Type 2

Body can't use insulin properly. Most cases can be prevented.

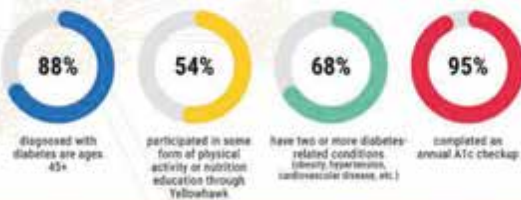


Lifestyle changes are the best way to prevent or delay the onset of type 2 diabetes. To help prevent type 2 diabetes and its complications, people should



Regarding our Yellowhawk patients, diagnosed with diabetes in the year 2024.

98% of Yellowhawk patients diagnosed with diabetes are diagnosed with Type 2.



Serious complications of diabetes include heart disease, stroke, amputation, end-stage kidney disease, blindness—and death. In 2024, 387 patients were followed on their wellness journey.



Community Activity Challenges & Events

February New Year's Rez Challenge – Community members were encouraged to set 2 health related goals and document their progress over 8 weeks. **65** participants completed the challenge. Three grand prize winners won BBQ Grills, Yeti Coolers, shower steamers, and Owala tumblers.

In May, we hosted our Annual Fun Run with the theme "Proud to be Mother, Auntie, and Grandmother." The theme acknowledges the significance of these roles within families and the community. Despite experiencing rainy and windy conditions in the morning, participants were excited and energized for the event. They had the opportunity to compete in one of the three race options which were either a 10k race, 5k race, or a 1-mile race. The event area was set up with registration tables, food tables, a DJ and many other vendors. The planning committee partnered with external vendors and programs to bring resources to the community.

Food Security Efforts

In partnership with Oregon State University Food Extension Service Master Food Preservation Program, Yellowhawk reintroduced food preservation workshops. Master Food Preservers and Home Food Systems Professionals provided community workshops that discussed food safety and preservation methods. There were 57 individuals that participated in the offered workshops: pickled asparagus, huckleberry jam, and deer meat canning.



Members of the Diabetes Program team pose with IHS Portland Director, Captain Marcus Martinez during award ceremony in Portland. Thank you to Tracy Nelson former Portland area Diabetes Consultant for the nomination. This team will travel to receive further recognition in 2026!

Diabetes Program

The Diabetes Program Team was selected for a 2024 IHS Director's Award for the Portland Area region based on food preservation efforts that support diabetes management while reducing food insecurity.

HEALTH PROMOTION

Fitness

Our Certified Personal Trainer provided inclusive fitness opportunities for community members of all ages and abilities. Yellowhawk eligible patients could also access one-on-one training sessions for personalized coaching and support. This year, our fitness and health promotion team delivered **341** community encounters through classes, events, and wellness challenges.

Aqua Aerobics at the Wildhorse Pool offered a low-impact, high-resistance workout that supported community members with mobility challenges. In 2025, the program saw **1,158** participant encounters. Classes are held three times each week and continue to draw a committed group of regular attendees.

"Be Fit" at the Nicht-Yow-Way Senior Center focuses on seated strength and resistance training, offering a supportive environment for Elders to stay active. In 2025, the program recorded **384** participant encounters.

"Fitness is Fun," our lunchtime fitness class at Yellowhawk, provided an accessible way for staff and patients to incorporate movement into their day, resulting in **259** encounters this year.



Community booths included Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, Oregon Emergency Management, Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board, Oregon State Fire Marshall, and Umatilla County. There were also craft booths available for individuals not participating in the races and they had the opportunity to create motivational posters encouraging their family and friends who were competing. Fifteen minutes before every race began, a guided stretching session was held for runners and walkers to help prepare their bodies for movement in the cold weather and to reduce the risk of injury. In total **84** community members participated in the races, which was a huge success.

In November, a new fitness initiative for Elders was introduced called Winter Wellness program. This was a nine-week fitness program that ran from November 3, 2025 – December 31, 2025. The program goal was to encourage our Elders to stay active and engaged with fitness activities during the winter months. Participants were provided with a program tracker “passport” and education on core and strength training exercises. Elders who attended a minimum of 7 fitness classes were able to turn in their passport to receive a crewneck sweatshirt. Engagement for this program was strong and of the **27** registered participants, **23** completed the program requirements and received their incentives. Many positive outcomes came from this program such as individuals attending classes that they had not previously tried before, encouraging and supporting each other to stay engaged with classes, and trying new exercises. The overall feedback received from the participants was positive, with many expressing that they would like to see the program offered again.



Pinášuk[™] at Self Measured Blood Pressure (SMBP) Program

In 2025, **18** patients successfully completed the SMBP program, earning themselves a branded vest. Unfortunately, 19 separate consults were discontinued, either due to a refused referral (7), non-returned calls or letter attempts to enroll in the program, or they enrolled and never followed up after receiving their cuff and program supplies. This is an unfortunate reality of many services and programs offered, but the effort to engage patients in evidence-based prevention programming continues strong! The return of Pinášuk[™] at blood pressure cuffs is a vital component to allow this program to continue long-term incentives for returning cuffs are available!

ÁTAWIŠAMATAŠ PROGRAM

2025 marked a year of significant growth, structure-building, and expansion for the Átawišamataš Tribal Maternal Child Health program where community impact grew substantially. Program enrollment increased from **9** families at the end of 2024 to **25** families served during 2025, with approval secured to hire a third home visitor for 2026. This expansion reflects both growing community trust and increased demand for culturally grounded maternal-child support services.

In October, the program launched its incentive initiative, designed to reinforce Family Spirit lesson milestones with practical, family-centered resources. Incentives are intentionally tied to curriculum goals to help families apply what they are learning directly within the home.

In partnership with the OB/GYN services, the program worked to develop a culturally responsive Birthing Plan to empower expectant mothers with informed choice, advocacy tools, and opportunities to integrate culture into their birthing experience.

Home visitors also achieved Community Health Worker certification, expanding the program’s capacity to address whole-family wellness beyond parenting education alone.



ÁTAWIŠAMATAŠ 2025

331 PARTICIPANTS
in Family Spirit home visits

52 PARTICIPANTS
in Cultural Classes

106 PARTICIPANTS
attended two major program events

83 PARTICIPANTS
engaged in Fatherhood is Sacred/
Motherhood is Sacred classes
(49 adults / 34 children)

25 FAMILIES enrolled (up from 9)

3 FAMILIES graduated!

2 FAMILIES
advanced from Family Spirit to
THRIVE (targeting ages 3-5)

OUR FIRST
PROGRAM GRADUATE
from Family Spirit and THRIVE

These numbers reflect both increased reach and deeper engagement across families, caregivers, and children.

CLASSES & EVENTS



Program-Led Classes & Events

These gatherings supported cultural connection, family bonding, parenting education, and community wellness. The program hosted and facilitated multiple culturally focused classes and family events in 2025.

Car Seat Safety Checks (collaboration with PHEP)

We coordinated to certify car seat safety checks during the annual BBQ. **6** families received direct support, ensuring proper installation, education on child passenger safety, and increased confidence in transporting children safely.



Milk Medicine Week (collaboration with WIC)

The program partnered with WIC during Milk Medicine Week by providing a themed photo backdrop at Yellowhawk's celebration. This added an engaging, family-friendly element to the event and supported WIC's efforts to promote nutrition, breastfeeding awareness, and family participation.

18 PARTICIPANTS
Wing Dress Class

18 PARTICIPANTS
Moccasin Class

16 PARTICIPANTS
Dangle Earrings Class

56 PARTICIPANTS
Back-to-School BBQ /
Backpack & Supply
Distribution

50 PARTICIPANTS
Program Holiday Gathering

9 CLASSES

Fatherhood Is Sacred /
Motherhood is Sacred

6 FAMILIES

Car Seat Safety Checks

PUBLIC HEALTH OPERATIONS

In 2025, Yellowhawk's Public Health Operations Team—Public Health Nurses (PHNs), Community Health Representatives (CHRs), and the Tribal Tobacco Prevention Program (TTPP), demonstrated significant growth in service delivery, prevention efforts, and community engagement. Through high-visibility community events and expanded home and community-based services, the team reduced barriers to care and strengthened Yellowhawk's public health capacity.



Public Health Nurses

A significant area of expansion in 2025 was home-based care and outreach. PHN home visits increased from 434 to **950** visits, representing a 118% increase. These visits supported Elders and other community members by directly addressing social determinants of health, including access to transportation, food security, medication access, chronic disease management and connection to clinical and community resources.

PHNs were determined to strengthen Yellowhawk's infectious disease readiness and response services. All PHNs became fully trained and authorized to receive, investigate, document and complete required state communicable disease reporting, significantly expanding the team's response capacity. PHNs responded to communicable disease and public health cases including pertussis, campylobacter, reportable sexually transmitted infections, and animal bite exposures, while also monitoring statewide and regional disease surveillance data to identify emerging risks to the community.

In partnership with Behavioral Health, 200 safe-sex kits were distributed through community-based programming and the newly installed harm reduction vending machines, increasing access to prevention resources in a discreet and convenient way.

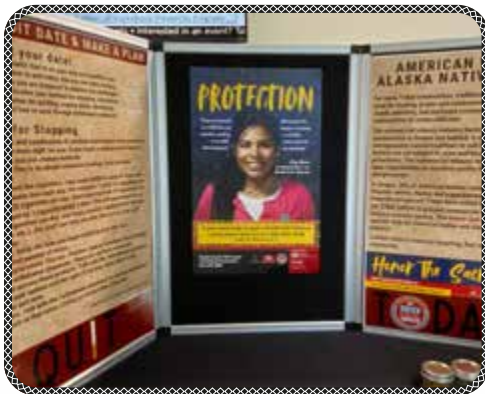
Community Health Representatives

CHRs played a key role in supporting community wellness by assisting with a wide range of programs, events, and services across Yellowhawk. Throughout 2025, CHRs supported food preservation and cooking classes, LiveWell programming, the Great American Smokeout, physical activity initiatives such as Fitness is Fun, Fun Run events, water aerobics, as well as culturally grounded activities including a huckleberry harvesting excursion connected to a traditional jam-making class.

CHRs worked directly with individuals and families to address food insecurity and other everyday needs that impact health. This included helping community members access grocery services, food boxes, farmer's market tokens, the farmer's market shuttle, and food delivery for individuals without transportation, supporting access to nutritious food and essential resources. **281** Non-Medical Transports helped community members get access to food, housing or critical resources for maintaining independence or disease management.

Preventive health education was an important focus of CHR outreach in 2025. CHRs continued providing community members with evidence-based health and wellness opportunities in addition to hands-on activities. Even our youngest community members at Cay-Uma-Wa were involved. CHRs organized interactive handwashing education for Cay-Uma-Wa students, using books, songs, and hands-on glow-germ activities to teach the importance of proper hand hygiene in an engaging and age-appropriate way. CHRs taught the children about germs, how they spread, and how to keep their hands clean during flu and norovirus season.

CHRs staffed "Wellness Tables" throughout the year, sharing health education, promoting preventive screening practices, and engaging community members in hands-on learning activities such as Hands-Only CPR demonstrations. Hands-only CPR increases community member readiness to handle a life-threatening medical emergency. These outreach efforts supported early prevention, increased health awareness, and encouraged community members to take an active role in their health. Locations of Wellness Tables included the Senior Center, Nixyáawii Community School, Elder Advisory Meetings, Nixyáawii Governance Center, Cay-Uma-Wa, Pendleton Health Fair and the Pendleton Round-Up Tipi Village. Approximately **389** persons interacted with the Yellowhawk teams at Wellness Tables.



Tribal Tobacco Prevention Program (TTPP)

The Tribal Tobacco Prevention Program (TTPP) supported tobacco-free wellness through education, youth engagement, cultural connection, and collaboration across the community. In 2025, **5** high school youth enrolled in and completed Project SUN, building leadership skills and strengthening tobacco-free advocacy among peers. TTPP also reached more than **200** adults and youth through tobacco education presentations delivered across Yellowhawk programs, schools, and community settings.

In preparation for expanded adult cessation services, TTPP partnered with Yellowhawk Pharmacy to develop a Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) information sheet, supporting future access to evidence-based cessation support. The program also emphasized education around traditional tobacco, completing 5

excursions to ancestral CTUIR lands to gather traditional tobacco and sharing it at Yellowhawk, CTUIR, and community events to reinforce cultural teachings and distinguish traditional use from commercial tobacco.

BAAD Prevention Week allowed TTPP to support through collaboration and targeted prevention outreach as part of a coordinated, community-wide effort led by Behavioral Health. TTPP took the lead in planning and hosting the Family Fun Night and Resource Fair, which brought together more than **80** community members to engage with prevention resources, family-friendly activities, and partner programs.

Wiwnu Co-Ed Volleyball Tournament supported prevention-focused recreation through the second annual, community volleyball event that engaged **45** participants. The event was a collaboration with CTUIR Department of Child and Family Services and Yellowhawk Behavioral Health, reinforcing healthy activities and positive peer connections.



MEDICAL



SHANA ALEXANDER
ADMINISTRATOR

The Medical Department is committed to delivering quality, patient-centered care that respects the needs, values, and strengths of our community. Supported in the Patient-Centered Medical Home model, our outpatient clinical services strive to build long-term, trusting relationships with patients and families while providing coordinated, comprehensive care across the lifespan.



ACCESS

Access to timely medical guidance is an important part of caring for our community.

To support patients when the clinic is closed, patients can access a nurse’s triage phone line operated by a trusted external partner during evenings, weekends, and holidays. In 2025, we had **43** callers utilize the line, which provides an additional resource for community members to talk through health concerns, receive general medical guidance, and better understand the most appropriate next steps for care outside of regular clinic hours.

PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS

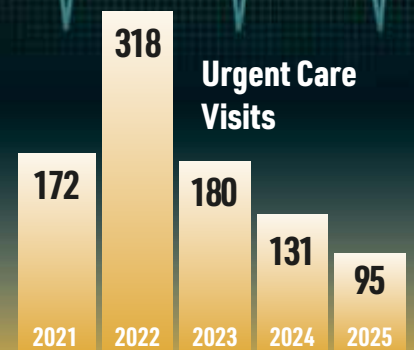
Our primary care providers (PCPs) deliver a full range of care for patients of all ages. Although the department no longer staffs a dedicated acute care provider, each provider’s schedule includes reserved appointment times to address acute needs for their established patients. Acute care is immediate, short-term treatment for non-emergent urgent conditions such as illness, minor injuries, or exacerbation of chronic diseases. This change reinforces continuity of care by ensuring patients receive timely support from the teams who know them best.



Emergency Department Visits



Urgent Care Visits



EXPANDING SERVICES

Mammography

This year marked an important milestone for our Medical Department with the introduction of on-site screening mammography services that started in July. Bringing this essential screening closer to home shows Yellowhawk's commitment to early detection, culturally respectful care, and improved health outcomes for our community.

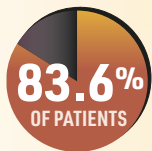
The addition of mammography means patients no longer need to travel outside the community for routine breast cancer screening. Patients can now receive screening in a familiar environment, supported by staff who understand their needs and can coordinate care directly with their primary care providers.

Our team worked diligently to implement this needed service with high-quality equipment while still having a patient-centered approach. From coordinated scheduling with primary care providers to culturally sensitive education on breast health, the goal is to make screenings accessible, comfortable, and to help patients with proactive choices regarding their future health.

CAHPS 2025 Clinician & Group Survey

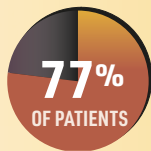
HIGHEST SCORING MEASURES

Provider Communication



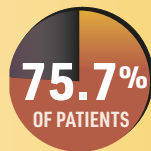
reported that providers always communicated clearly, listened carefully and were respectful.

Rating of Provider



rated their provider 9 or 10, with 0 being the worst and 10 being the best provider possible.

Office Staff



reported that office staff were always helpful and respectful.

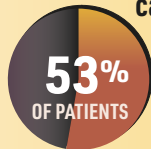
LOWEST SCORING MEASURES

Coordination of Care



reported medical staff always talked about goals and if there is anything hard about taking care of oneself.

Getting timely appointments, care and information



reported always getting timely appointments, care and information.

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS)

The CAHPS survey is a national tool that helps us understand how our patients experience the care we provide. As a medical department, we use these findings to hear from our patients about what is working well and where we can strengthen our services. The survey focuses on communication, access to appointments, care coordination, and whether patients feel respected and supported. Feedback collected provides insights that guides our quality improvement efforts. It is also important for us to align with best practices and ensure that the care we deliver reflects our community's expectations and values. By basing our decisions on what patients share with us through CAHPS, we continue building a healthcare culture that is responsive, respectful and centered on the well-being of our people.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Santa Stampede

The second annual Santa Stampede is a fun run/walk event hosted by our Medical Department staff. We wanted a way to encourage activity during the winter months when activity often slows down. This event offered families a light-hearted way to be active together and start getting ready to gather our traditional foods in the early spring.

A special focus this year was created for the children to help them build healthy habits. The "On Dasher" kids dash was well received by our community. What are we doing, if we are not focusing on our future leaders and legacies?

This year there were **71** participants compared to 55 in 2024. We are excited to see this event grow in 2026.



PHARMACY

In 2025, our Pharmacy Chronic Disease program continued to support the health and well-being of our community, serving 269 patients living with diabetes. Despite a temporary reduction in staffing during the latter half of the year, the pharmacy team remained committed to patient care. Individuals in the program continued to exceed key health goals, including maintaining strong glucose and blood pressure control, and demonstrated higher participation in important preventive screenings such as dental, eye, and foot exams. Our pharmacists also partnered closely with the Diabetes Team, actively contributing to diabetes support groups and helping patients stay connected, informed, and supported in their ongoing care.



On May 1, Yellowhawk Pharmacy filled its one millionth prescription. A huge thank you to our Pharmacy team for their dedication to keeping our community healthy!

FOCUS AREAS IN 2025

Pharmacy Technician Intern Program

The Pharmacy Technician Internship at Yellowhawk provides Tribal members with on-the-job training and resources to prepare for state licensure and national certification, opening doors to meaningful careers in healthcare.

Alex Vazquez, a proud CTUIR-enrolled Tribal member, joined Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center as a Pharmacy Technician Intern in August 2024. This internship offers an 18-month career development pathway, and Alex has been working hard every step of the way on her Oregon Pharmacy Technician license. Tasks have included completing strenuous coursework and gaining hands-on experience in pharmacy practice. Coursework has consisted of learning about pharmacy laws and medication safety to mastering supply chain management and billing, and more.

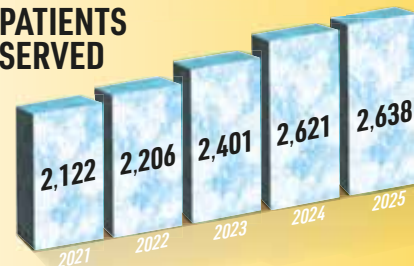
Software Modernization

Upgrading our pharmacy software is an important investment in better care for our community. By reviewing multiple vendors and selecting a new system for 2026, we're preparing for safer, faster, and more connected services. Patients will benefit from finally being able to have their outside providers send electronic prescriptions directly to Yellowhawk, as well as new text, mobile, and web tools for reminders, refill requests, and quick communication with the pharmacy team. The upgrade also strengthens our pharmacy operations by improving electronic prescribing on both ends and adding real time inventory tracking to reduce medication shortages and overstocking. Together, these improvements support a smoother and more reliable experience for everyone who depends on our pharmacy.

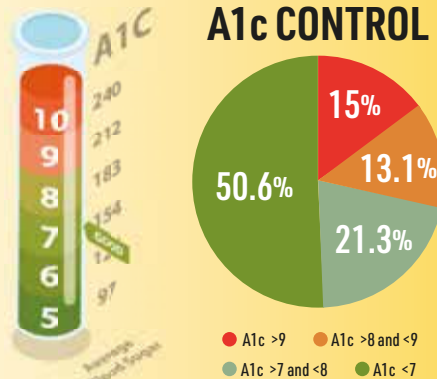
PRESCRIPTIONS FILLED



PATIENTS SERVED



A1c CONTROL



LAB & RADIOLOGY

In June 2025, Yellowhawk proudly introduced the Hologic Genius 3D Mammography system to our Imaging services. This advanced technology marked a major step forward in women’s health, offering clearer, more accurate breast cancer screenings.

This achievement is the result of the Health Commission’s vision and over a year of dedicated planning, research, and collaboration by Yellowhawk staff. Thanks to these efforts, we were thrilled to launch our mammography screening program—bringing life-saving care closer to home for our community.

The implementation of any new program requires tremendous effort, training, and qualified professionals. Mammography is no exception. We are grateful for the team of expert imaging staff, supportive teams in the medical department, including our imaging and laboratory services, dedicated providers, and the patients for their trust and support of the new service.

Over the past year, the laboratory continued to benefit from its expanded and thoughtfully designed testing environment. The larger testing area supports high-capacity instrumentation and streamlined workflows, allowing staff to efficiently process and analyze patient samples. These improvements support both operational growth and our commitment to high quality, patient-centered care.



LAB TESTS

2,548
Chemistry

2,566
Hematology

1,726
Urinalysis

4,732
Immunoassay

1,365
PCR

18,414
TOTAL LAB TESTS

Ton of Food – Ton of Fun

Employees from Public Health, Pharmacy, Laboratory/Imaging, and Admin partnered to host a competition to add creative holiday cheer while collecting **2,000+** pounds of non-perishable food for community food banks in just 8 days. “Ton of Food – Ton of Fun” took place in early December with all departments competing to collect the most pounds of food and create the prize-winning display. The ton of food was delivered to St. Andrews Mission and Little Food Pantries in mid-December to benefit community members during the holiday season.



IMAGING/ RADIOLOGY

1,063
X-Rays

167
Mammograms

440
Ultrasounds

1,670
TOTAL IMAGING/
RADIOLOGY

MAMMOGRAPHY



MAMMOGRAPHY PROGRAM TIMELINE

Kick off

Health Commission Approves Mammography Program

May

Yellowhawk receives FDA approval for mammography program

June

Instrument is installed

June-October

Yellowhawk begins screening mammograms

October

Yellowhawk completes full Accreditation from Mammography Quality Standards Act (MQSA) – Grand Opening!



GRAND OPENING & OPEN HOUSE



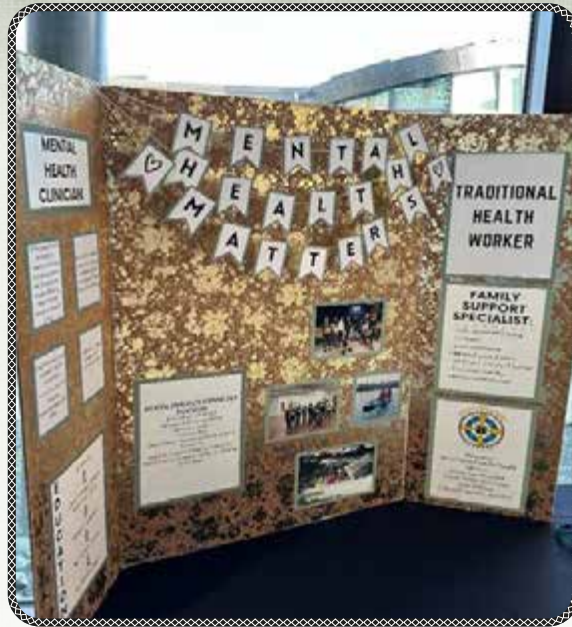
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH



CINDY CECIL
DIRECTOR

The Behavioral Health Department saw an increase in staff in 2025 due to the growing need in the community and various grant opportunities. Additions to the team were a Receptionist, two Mental Health Therapists, a Youth Suicide Prevention Specialist, and three Certified Recovery Mentors.

Behavioral Health offered numerous training courses open to the community. Training courses included Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR), Trauma Informed Care by Trauma-Informed Oregon, Youth Mental Health First Aid, and LGBTQI+ Awareness. We are committed to fostering a healthier, more resilient community by offering mental health training for both our staff and community members. These trainings aim to build understanding, reduce stigma, and equip individuals with practical tools to support mental well-being—for themselves and for others. Together, we can create a supportive environment where mental health is prioritized, and everyone feels empowered to thrive.



MENTAL HEALTH

The mental health program continued to offer HIPAA and confidentiality compliant virtual platforms for clients who prefer this method of psychotherapy and support. Providing these essential services to community members who are unable to attend in person remains a crucial aspect of meeting our clients where they are at.



Neqce?éce Qapšqapšnáawit "Family Strength"

Neqce?éce Qapšqapšnáawit "Family Strength" team delivered peer-supported services aimed at building skills and fostering prosocial behaviors among youth in both school and community settings. In 2025, the team supported more than **125** youth through a variety of events, including chaperoned trips to Wallowa Lake, Indian Lake, Jubilee Lake, Tree to Tree Aerial Park, the Walla Walla pumpkin patch, and corn maze, as well as a backpack and school supply giveaway, Family Night,

and a Youth Rafting Trip. Throughout the year, Family Strength staff collaborated with numerous partners within Yellowhawk and across the community. The team contributed to Tribal Family Preservation classes, Basketball Against Alcohol and Drugs (BAAD) Prevention classes, multiple Community Smudges, Family Game Night, Healthy Cooking classes, 1st Foods excursions, and bowling outings. The "Empowering Our Youth Powwow," held in recognition of National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day, distributed more than **150** meal tickets and featured an estimated **60** youth dancers—making it the largest Family Strength event of 2025.

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5,533
Mental Health
Visits

◇◇◇◇◇◇◇◇◇◇
514
Telehealth
Visits

◇◇◇◇◇◇◇◇◇◇
1,284
Depression
Screens
*provided by Mental
Health and Medical*

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254
PHQ-9
Depression
Screens
*completed by Mental
Health and Medical*

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844
Interpersonal
Violence
Screens
*by Mental Health and
Medical*

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439
Total Referrals
for Mental
Health
Services

YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION

The Youth Suicide Prevention program hosted and collaborated with various Yellowhawk programs to provide a variety of events. In 2025, the program specialist took on the task of the Pendleton Round-Up Dress-Up Parade committee and utilized this platform to emphasize the topic of suicide awareness, this event annually has approximately 15,000 attendees. Throughout the year the program delivered education and outreach including the Native STAND class for all freshmen at Nixyáawii Community School, creating and hosting the “Our Promise” Youth Cultural and Ecological Awareness Group, 2V2 Basketball Tournament with emphasis on suicide awareness and honoring local community members lost to suicide; and a Co-Ed Youth Basketball Summer Camp focused on skills development and maintaining healthy lifestyles. This program provided support for a variety of events with culture nights, family bowling and arcade nights, youth game nights, Pendleton Round-Up Youth Slack Day and taking youth on various outings in the community such as lake trips and huckleberry picking excursions. Other collaborations outside of Behavioral Health were healthy cooking classes in partnership with Public Health Diabetes Program and the Fall Festival with multiple Yellowhawk departments. These activities provided safe, prosocial spaces for over **125** youth in total.



COMMUNITY WARM LINE

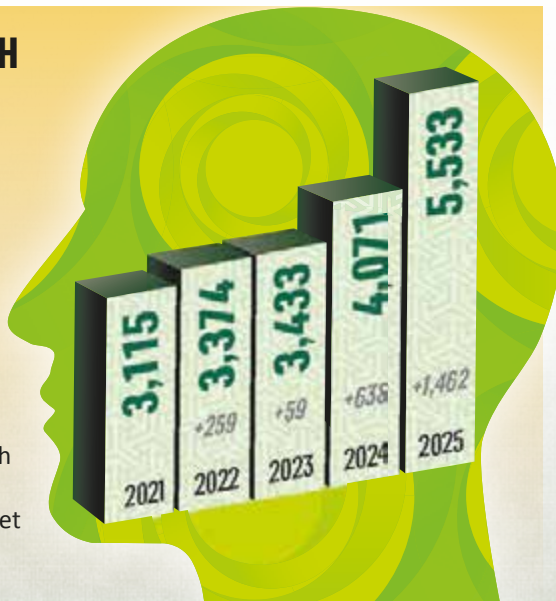
Behavioral Health had its second year for the COMMUNITY WARM LINE, our non-crisis line. Designed for CTUIR community members to provide peer-to-peer support, this line is always confidential and always free. Our team continues to train in crisis de-escalation to be able to offer this service. The Community Warm Line is answered by our Peer Recovery Mentor staff who have lived experience with behavioral health disorders. This community-based cell phone is staffed 24/7 to mitigate a crisis from happening. To further promotion, we continue to circulate the Warm Line video on social media platforms to bring awareness to the service as well as promote on local radio stations. In 2025, the Warm Line was utilized by several community members for a wide variety of concerns such as relationship issues, urges to relapse, desire to self-harm, and community resource information.



The Integrated Care Therapist, based in Yellowhawk’s medical area, provided **486** visits addressing acute mental health needs in 2025. Through scheduled office hours and direct care, the therapist supports Yellowhawk-eligible patients experiencing immediate concerns by delivering short-term, solution-focused therapy tailored to meet their needs.

MENTAL HEALTH

2025 had over **1,462** additional visits from the previous year! We believe the increase in numbers during 2025 reflects ongoing efforts to reduce the stigma surrounding mental health, combined with the availability of additional staff to meet community needs.



AURICULAR ACUPUNCTURE (ACUDETTOX)

In 2025, Yellowhawk Behavioral Health continued offering Auricular Acupuncture—a holistic approach that supports wellness and recovery. This globally recognized technique involves gently placing fine needles in five specific points on each ear to help reduce symptoms such as anxiety, depression, insomnia, cravings, body pain, and other withdrawal-related challenges. It is widely used for prevention, treatment, and harm reduction related to substance use, including nicotine dependence. Our team is proud to have four certified staff members—Mental Health Clinicians and Chemical Dependency Counselors—trained in this specialized modality. Together, they provided **193** Acudetox sessions throughout the year, helping community members find relief and strengthen their path toward healing.

CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY

Yellowhawk's Chemical Dependency (CD) program provides Level 1 Outpatient Treatment Services offering a wide array of programming.

K'usiinmi Tawnúkt Program - Horse Medicine

A culturally specific program building on connection to horses to aid in prevention and recovery, that operates with Behavioral Health staff offering individual and group services.



Pinánaykwukt "Gathering Oneself Together" Program - Sober Transitional House (STH)

Yellowhawk's STH provided safe, sober housing to **9** community members throughout 2025. The STH's "at home opportunity" provides outpatient substance use disorder treatment to those who are transitioning toward securing independent housing. Residents may stay in the STH for up to 12 months while building the skills needed to maintain healthy and sober lifestyles. Positive changes to the STH program were instrumental in allowing our residents to get the most out of the program. Staffing levels were changed to provide additional support for residents by increasing our Peer Recovery Mentors.

Harm Reduction Vending Machines

Two harm reduction vending machines were purchased to be placed at Mission Market and Wildhorse Resort and Casino. The vending machines were placed in November and December, with one specifically designed for outdoor conditions. The machines were designed in-house with Yellowhawk-specific resources wrapping both sides. The machines offer free access to life-saving and essential supplies that are free to acquire ensuring accessibility for anyone in need. To start distribution, we began with Naloxone, also known as Narcan, which is a lifesaving drug that rapidly reverses the effects of opioid overdose, as well as Safer Sex kits, which include condoms, dental dams, and STI information. At the end of 2025, the machines had distributed **139** Narcan and **130** Safer Sex kits to the community.



CD Prevention/Recovery Events

Throughout 2025, CD Prevention hosted and co-hosted a variety of activities aimed at supporting sobriety, mental health, and community engagement. The **Mindful Movement Initiative** provided monthly athletic club memberships for active outpatient clients, encouraging exercise as part of their recovery and wellness journey.

Family Game Night brought together over **25** youth and their families for dinner and a fun gaming competition. Staff partnered with the After School Program to deliver prevention activities that educated youth on how substances affect the body and collaborated with Family Engagement to co-host **Culture Night at The Longhouse**, building rapport with youth through cultural connection. Prevention staff facilitated interactive activities and icebreakers at Sunridge Middle School and co-hosted **Native STAND classes** for **10** freshmen at Nixyáawii Community School.

They also organized Narcan Pop-Up distributions and trainings with local partners and joined Family Strength for the annual **Empowering Our Youth Powwow**. In partnership with Yellowhawk Dental Department, staff distributed approximately **75** dental kits—including Suboxone education, toothbrushes, toothpaste, floss, and water bottles—to houseless community members, promoting oral health and harm reduction.



2,734
Chemical
Dependency
Visits

23
CD Treatment
Groups weekly

536+
Peer Recovery
Mentor visit

300
Boxes of
Narcan
distributed

16
Clients
Referred to
Residential
Treatment

292
Total Referrals
for Chemical
Dependency



Annual Láwtiwaama Sobriety Friendship Dance was held on Wednesday of the Pendleton Round-Up and provided over **200** meals to participants and community members, an increase of over 50 from 2024. This event is a celebration of community members' sobriety by reflecting on culture, connection, and wellness. Rooted in respect of one another's individual journey, Láwtiwaama honors healing, healthy choices, and the strength of community. There was a total of more than **1,500 years of sobriety** represented!

Staff chaperoned four youths to the annual **THRIVE (Tribal Health: Reaching Out Involves Everyone) Conference** in Portland, Oregon, where over **100** youth participated in workshops focused on medicine and movement, wellness, tobacco prevention, and creative expression through Beats, Lyrics, Leaders.

35th Annual BAAD (Basketball Against Alcohol and Drugs) Tournament Prevention Classes led by the CD Prevention Team provided an array of education to almost **500** youth on topics such as opiates, fentanyl, peer pressure, marijuana, alcohol abuse, and tobacco education. This tournament is a Tribal based practice due to the prevention classes certified staff lead. These classes are essential in ongoing efforts to prevent substance misuse amongst our youth.



Yellowhawk's Annual Community Opioid Summit (Strengthening Our Community) in October was a gathering of community members, Yellowhawk staff, Tribal Opioid Response (TOR) staff from the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB), and a member of the Blue Mountain Narcotics Task Force (BENT) Team. An impact panel of community members with lived experience shared their emotional journey to sobriety with attendees. Representatives with Nepenthe Labs provided information and resources regarding fentanyl and opiates in Oregon, Umatilla County, and specifically on the CTUIR. **42** community members participated and engaged in meaningful discussion regarding substance misuse and how we can come together to strengthen and heal our community.

Annual New Year's Eve Sobriety Powwow was held at The Longhouse on December 31. Over **175** community members attended, making it one of our biggest events to date! The evening was full of collaboration, culture, community outreach, and FUN. Basket weaving and necklace making kits were provided by Family Engagement. As in previous years, vendors promoted their small businesses, all participants were provided with a delicious meal, and an opportunity to be in a space with others who are at various stages of recovery. There were over **360 years, 3.5 months, and 127 days of sobriety** represented at this event.



DENTAL



LISA PETERSON
ADMINISTRATOR



In 2025, the Yellowhawk Dental team kept the smiles coming—both in the clinic and throughout the community! We focused on quality care and creating a positive experience for all ages. February’s National Children’s Dental Health Month was a highlight, with extra advertising, fun incentives like custom t-shirts, spinbrush giveaways, and toy box prizes, all in partnership with the Átawishamataš program to celebrate the progress in oral health among our youngest patients. We continued our open-door policy for children ages 0–2, offering screenings, nutritional counseling, and oral hygiene tips for parents. Dental whitening kits remained available for qualifying patients (14 purchased), and we shared oral health kits with patients in other departments, like Behavioral Health, to spread healthy habits across all areas of care. Along with these efforts, the team also hosted and participated in several other community-focused and collaborative events, including:



- Annual Career Fair, exposing middle and high school students to careers in the dental field and specific career options that Yellowhawk offers. **70** youth entered the Sonicare electric toothbrush raffle and **75+** oral kits were handed out.
- Semiannual visits to Cay-Uma-Wa HeadStart, Átaw Miyánašma Learning Center, and Lil’ Turtles Daycare to provide screenings, nutritional counseling, and fluoride varnish. Provided toothbrushes and toothpaste quarterly.
- Over **350** oral health kits were given to the BAAD (Basketball Against Alcohol and Drugs) Tournament with educational materials to highlight the effects of sugary and acidic beverages can have on teeth.
- The CTUIR Community Picnic handed out **100+** oral health kits, with over **100** entries by community members into the Sonicare ETB raffle.
- Collaborated with various departments and Tribal entities in providing over **1,000** toothbrushes and oral hygiene supplies for distribution to their community events.
- Dental team members participated in **10** Wellness Tables in collaboration with Public Health, engaging with over **100** community members.
- Yellowhawk Open House – showcased our services and supplied oral health kits. Offered new community members a tour of our department.
- **177** children recognized in the “Cavity Free Club” for the year (twice as many as 2024!)



5,263
Dental Visits

2,077
Dental Patients

We also continued investing in the future of Tribal oral health by supporting our two Primary Dental Health Aide (PDHA) students through the CHAP program. Both students advanced their college curriculum with hands-on clinical competencies at Yellowhawk, with one nearing completion of her preceptorship to earn certification as a PDHA II clinician, and the other is close to completing her preceptorship for PDHA I certification. In addition, our Orthodontic program made a big impact in 2025—helping 10 patients receive orthodontic care and improving smiles across our community.

Following the retirement of one of our dentists, we welcomed a new full-time dentist and added two Expanded Functions Dental Assistants to strengthen our team and enhance patient care.

ALLIED HEALTH SERVICES



EUGENA STACONA
DIRECTOR



Through deliberate external engagement, Yellowhawk personnel not only deliver direct care but also expand their influence, integrate culturally competent practices, strengthen partnerships, leverage community feedback, and build a sustainable workforce. Collectively, these effects increase the efficiency, reach, quality, and credibility of Yellowhawk’s services, thereby significantly enhancing their overall value to the Tribal community and the broader rural population they serve.

Administration functions are essential for smooth operation of any organization. They include planning, organizing, and controlling activities to achieve specific objectives. These functions are crucial for ensuring that resources are utilized effectively, tasks are completed efficiently, and the organization operates within the legal and ethical boundaries. They do the day-to-day administrative duties that keep the department running smoothly. Staff continued to work with varied Yellowhawk events, community activities, and engaged with teams both internally and externally.

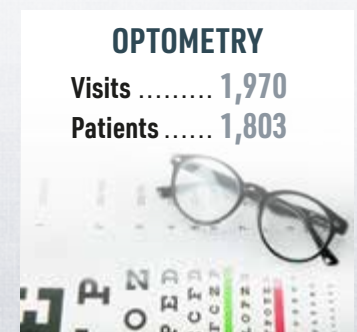
This year staff participated in the Páŕxapa Elders Advisory Committee for Education (PEACE) at Whitman College, which was formed in 2024 to serve in an advisory capacity to the Whitman College Special Assistant to the President for Native American Outreach. The council is made up of five CTUIR members serving annual, renewable terms. PEACE serves multiple important purposes, including hosting events like the Páŕxapa powwow, sharing cultural guidance on the needs and perspectives that are unique to Native American students, especially those of the Cayuse, Umatilla, and Walla Walla Tribes.

OPTOMETRY

Optometry honors Yellowhawk’s core values of excellence, balance and compassion by practicing their full scope, ensuring high-quality care for our patients. Our two Optometrists are our primary eye care providers. This means the optometry department is the first point of contact for any vision or eye health concerns. Through networking, Yellowhawk is the newest partner with the Oregon Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation. The Lion’s Club has a **100+** year history of humanitarian service with a big focus on eyes and vision. They promote and mirror many of Yellowhawk’s core values: Equity, Compassion, and Respect. The Pendleton Lion’s Club directly funds the purchase of glasses for those who may not be able to afford them otherwise through the donations of their generous members. Collaboration between Yellowhawk’s optometry and public service staff made this partnership with this dedicated local charity possible.

This year, for the first time at Yellowhawk, an amniotic membrane or “biological bandage” was used to treat an acute ocular condition. This course of treatment is a versatile and effective therapeutic tool, offering regenerative, anti-inflammatory, and protective properties. Its use can significantly improve healing outcomes for patients with severe ocular surface injuries, chronic ophthalmic conditions, and post-surgical recovery, making it an increasingly important technology in modern eye care.

- Head Start eye exams (**40** students from the Bear and Wolf Den)
- Since 2019, over **20** students from the Forest Grove, OR campus of Pacific University of Optometry have rotated through Yellowhawk during their final year of schooling.
- Yellowhawk is now affiliated with the Lions Club and has a drop off box for old glasses at the Optometry front desk.
- The first pair of glasses ordered through the Lion’s Eyeglasses Assistance Program has been dispensed.
- Optometry is modernizing equipment to make tools accessible to the Optometrists during the patient exam.
- Opticians were trained in how glasses are made, a hands-on experience.
- Pendleton High School Robotics Team-Optician judges’ competition



AUDIOLOGY

Outside services are available for PRC eligible patients. With no Audiologist on staff, referrals are made for services to patients who need audiology appointments.

Outside Referrals:

Audiology45
Hearing Aids21



PHYSICAL THERAPY

Physical Therapy provides examination, evaluation, diagnosis, prognosis, intervention, and care management for a wide variety of physical conditions. Our experienced Physical Therapy team strives for excellence by providing an evidence-based approach to achieving the best possible outcomes for our patients.



1,789 Visits **950** Patients



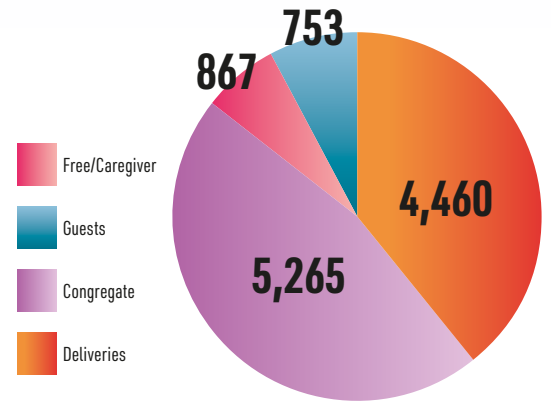
NICHT-YOW-WAY SENIOR CENTER

Staff at the Senior Center are responsible for preparing, cooking, and serving Elders of our community that are 55 and over with congregate meals served onsite, and delivering homebound meals to our most vulnerable patients. All menus are planned with the Yellowhawk Dietician who ensures nutritious and culturally appropriate meals are served.

Senior Center services supported by Title VI funding also include assisting Elders with information on referrals, family caregiver support services, services for Elder caregivers of children, telephone reassurance/friendly visiting, senior center activities, special events for Elders, and outreach.

The team held the first BBQ Bash that resulted in 158 Elders completing the "Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders IX." This data is of great importance not only for the Title VI Grant application that Yellowhawk receives, but for future elderly care grants including transportation, long-term care, respite care, and others specific to our service area of Umatilla and Baker Counties. Data from the survey serves as a tool to render policy change to adequately address the needs of American Indians as a whole. The BBQ Bash had outdoor games that Elders could participate in to win a gift basket. If they completed the survey, they got a T-shirt, fan, and pen. Information packets were distributed on Elder abuse and local Law Enforcement gave a presentation on Elder safety, who to report to, and the signs of Elder abuse so they would be able to recognize it if it happened to them, or their friends.

SENIOR CENTER MEALS SERVED - 2025



13-23

Garden Guild participants

15

Movie Matinee participants

4-15

Weaving Wednesday participants

provided by Mental Health and Medical

50

Elder Abuse Walk participants

Highlights:

- Elder Abuse Awareness Month in June. The inaugural Elder Abuse Walk had around **50** participants who walked or rode in carts around the neighborhood. For each week in June, there was a speaker on varying topics related to Elder abuse, showing ongoing collaboration between CTUIR programs and Yellowhawk.
- Garden Guild was held on Thursdays from April until October.



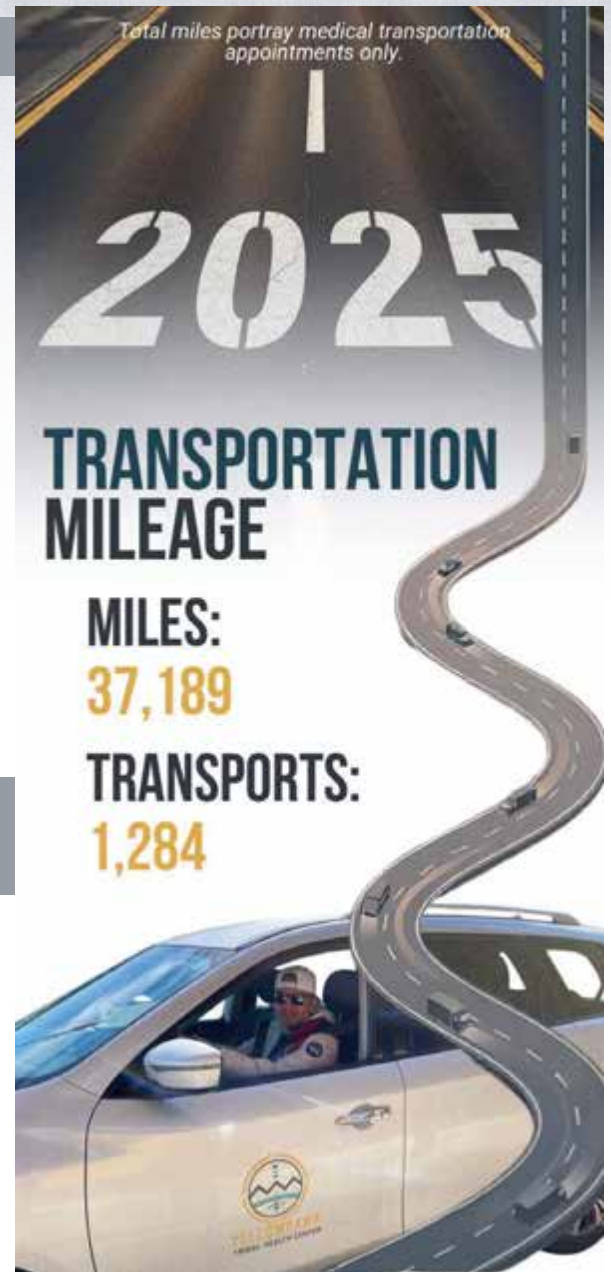
TRANSPORTATION

Yellowhawk's Transportation service provides services to those that need non-emergent transportation assistance and have exhausted all other resources. Under the policy at Yellowhawk, transportation is provided to individuals who meet eligibility requirements. This ensures transportation to and from appointments that are specifically related to healthcare issues.



ALLIED HEALTH SERVICES TEAM & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- BAAD (**80** participants): optometrist presented optical illusions and alcohol's effects on eyes
- 3 episodes of YellowTalk – Yellowhawk Podcast
- January-Optometrist Glaucoma Awareness Month
- February-Physical Therapy Celebrates 3 years
- August-Optometry Student
- Spoke at Diabetes Support Group (**17** participants) optometrist spoke about the different levels of diabetic retinopathy and gave some tips about lifestyle changes that can lessen progression.
- Annual Fun Run - Physical Therapy staff helped establish course routes for the 1 mile, the 5k, and the 10k and helped identify potential risks and hazards of the course and ensured the accuracy of the distances. Staff led the group warm-up before the event showing runners how to properly warm up and stretch before racing.
- Pendleton Round-Up Dress Up Parade, staff helped decorate the float and hand out candy along the parade route
- Physical Therapy Assistants played Santa and Grinch for the Public Health Cookie decorating and senior exercises down at Senior Center (**47** participants)



- Santa Stampede Committee – two Physical Therapy staff helped with the planning, led the group warmup to show how to properly warm up and stretch before a race and helped spread the word about the event by inviting other runners from Pendleton, Hermiston, and Walla Walla to join the run. Creating free public events helps promote wellness by inspiring and motivating runners to work towards their goals and to adopt healthy habits. Racing with other runners also can provide social support for a sport where the training tends to be isolating and lonesome.
- Prayer at the Átawishamataš program by optician (**30-40** participants)

HUMAN RESOURCES



ANDREA RODRIGUEZ
DIRECTOR

In 2025, the Human Resources (HR) team at Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center continued to advance workforce initiatives rooted in the organization's core values of Tamánwit, Balance, Compassion, Integrity, Equity, Respect, and Excellence. These values shape how Human Resources supports employees, leadership, and the mission of fostering wellness through culturally grounded, fair, and ethical practices.



Throughout the year, Human Resources focused on building a balanced and healthy workforce, ensuring fairness in recruitment and employment practices, and fostering a respectful workplace culture. HR supported strategic growth and workforce sustainability while strengthening pathways for CTUIR member employment and helping employees deliver high-quality care to the communities Yellowhawk serves.

Across 2025, Yellowhawk averaged approximately **194** employees. Maintaining an average workforce of nearly 200 employees reflects organizational stability and sustainable growth, even amid transitions and evolving operational needs. This consistency demonstrates Yellowhawk's ability to retain staff, fill critical roles, and support uninterrupted service delivery, positioning the organization for continued success and long-term resilience.



Annual Career Fair

In April, Yellowhawk hosted its 5th Annual Career Fair for middle school, high school, and current college students. All departments showcased potential career pathways to **68** students from Nixyáawii Community School, highlighting opportunities from entry-level roles to advanced professional positions requiring higher education. To complement this, eight colleges presented programs ranging from business to healthcare, and two nonprofit organizations provided workforce development resources. The event promoted equity by ensuring all students had access to information and guidance, and excellence by connecting education with meaningful career pathways.

2025 Employee Satisfaction Survey

The 2025 Employee Satisfaction Survey received participation from 132 employees, representing a 25.7% increase compared to 2024. This increased engagement reflects a growing culture of respect and equity, where employees feel their voices are valued and encouraged. Survey results showed that all respondents would recommend Yellowhawk as an employer, with 54 employees providing a 10/10 rating. The overall average score increased to 8.7 out of 10, an improvement from 8.1 in 2024, demonstrating continued progress in employee experience and workplace satisfaction.

Feedback from new employees further highlighted the positive impact of Yellowhawk's true 32-hour, 4-day workweek on recruitment and employee satisfaction. In the 2025 new hire survey, 62.5% of new staff reported being aware of the 32-hour workweek prior to applying, and **37.5% identified the 4-day workweek as the most attractive reason for pursuing employment at Yellowhawk**. One new employee shared, "I wasn't aware of the 4-day work week. It is really nice!"

Together, these results reflect Yellowhawk's commitment to balance and employee wellness, while reinforcing respect, equity, and excellence through workplace practices that support engagement, morale, and long-term retention.



Annual End-of-Year Banquet

Yellowhawk continued to prioritize workforce engagement and recognition in 2025. In December, Yellowhawk hosted its End-of-Year Banquet at Wildhorse Resort & Casino, with 137 employees attending. The event celebrated 23 employees for their years of service: 7 for 5 years, 9 for 10 years, 2 for 15 years, 1 for 20 years, 2 for 25 years, and 2 for 35 years. This recognition reflects our commitment to valuing each employee’s contributions by fostering connection and appreciation, and celebrating their excellence and dedication that sustains high-quality care.

Together, these initiatives highlight Yellowhawk’s ongoing commitment to employee development, recognition, and engagement while fostering a workforce that is valued, empowered, and aligned with our mission of promoting wellness in the Tribal community.

	Women	Men	CTUIR MEMBER	Other Tribe	Non-Indian	Total 2025	Total 2024	Overall change
Yellowhawk Employees	139	55	71	25	98	194	192	+2

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Overall Change 2024-25
CTUIR Member Employees	57	61	60	69	71	+2



WORKFORCE

25

ADMINISTRATION EMPLOYEES
including Admin & Facilities

25

ALLIED HEALTH EMPLOYEES
including Senior Center, Optometry, Physical Therapy & Transportation

31

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH EMPLOYEES
including Chemical Dependency & Mental Health

18

DENTAL EMPLOYEES

33

FINANCE EMPLOYEES
including Business Office, IT, Accounting, & Finance

7

HUMAN RESOURCES EMPLOYEES

39

MEDICAL EMPLOYEES
including Lab/Radiology, Nursing, Pharmacy, & Medical

23

PUBLIC HEALTH EMPLOYEES

ADMINISTRATION

ACCREDITATION

Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center remained committed to providing safe, high-quality care for our community throughout 2025. We maintained multiple accreditations that reflected this dedication:

- **AAAHC Accreditation:** Yellowhawk continued to meet national standards for quality and safety, following a comprehensive review process every three years. This accreditation reinforced our culture of continuous improvement. AAAHC reaccreditation is on schedule for 2026.
- **Patient-Centered Primary Care Home (PCPCH):** Our team-based, coordinated care model kept patients at the center of their healthcare experience. Preparations for PCPCH recertification, scheduled for 2026, were underway throughout the year.
- **Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB):** Yellowhawk remained one of only eight self-governed Tribal health centers nationwide to hold this national accreditation. Awarded in late summer 2020, this recognition demonstrated our commitment to meeting and exceeding public health standards. Preparations for PHAB reaccreditation continued throughout 2025.

We upheld our philosophy of maintaining readiness every day—not just during survey periods—by consistently applying quality practices and patient safety standards. These accreditations reflected our ongoing promise to deliver care that is safe, patient-focused, and rooted in community values.



QUALITY AND RISK MANAGEMENT



NANCY KIRKSEY
MANAGER

The Quality and Risk Management (QRM) program is tasked with ensuring the safety of patients, visitors, and staff. Drills and training ensure readiness in case of an actual event. As our clinic has grown, our 2025 priority goal was to ensure that the necessary required drills and training provided a safe environment for all. Drills help to ensure readiness, and emergency preparedness is key for a successful plan.

The QRM program set a goal in 2025 to increase Quality Improvement (QI) studies to establish goals, performance data, and benchmarking. QI studies are crucial in healthcare because they systematically identify gaps in care and use data-driven processes to enhance patient safety, clinical outcomes, and operational efficiency. By focusing on evidence-based, sustainable improvements, QI reduces medical errors, lowers costs, and increases patient satisfaction. In so doing, they directly affect patient outcomes, safety, quality of care, and patient access.

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS 2025		FINANCE / BUSINESS OFFICE	
		Outside Vendor Patient Survey To assess the quality of care provided by outside Specialty Vendor	
PHARMACY		ALLIED HEALTH	
<p>Patients with Diabetes Without A1c in Prior 12 months</p> <p>Prescription Refill Completion Time Timely prescription refills help patients avoid barriers or gaps in appropriate treatment and have been identified as crucial for controlling chronic conditions.</p>		<p>PT & Optometry: Provider Productivity Tracking patients at PT and Optometry gives an opportunity to see if there is an increase or decrease when comparing by yearly data that is collected. Productivity tracking is important because patient gaps cost the organization money, and this issue needs to be addressed for improvement of quality for the patients.</p>	
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH		FINANCE / IT	
<p>Mental Health: Client Cancellations In-office MH therapists will have a 50% decrease in client cancellations.</p> <p>Chemical Dependency: CD Increase in Productivity Setting a productivity rate helps to ensure counselors deliver the appropriate level of services at the assessed level of care.</p>		<p>Consults - Days of Acknowledgment Looking at the amount of time from when a consult is ordered until it is acknowledged as received by the consulting department. It is important for continuity of patient care that requests for services are followed up in a timely manner.</p>	
LAB	DENTAL	ADMINISTRATION	
<p>Evaluation of Gestational Diabetes Screening Protocol Yellowhawk strives to ensure that gestational diabetes is being detected and subsequently treated at the earliest possible opportunity.</p> <p>Imaging Reports Notifications Imaging results must be reviewed by the ordering provider when completed.</p>	<p>Broken Appointments Decrease the % of broken/missed appointments in the dental department. This should increase treatment completions and increase Provider RVUs. Ensures the schedule is optimized to Dentist: Staff ratio to provide preventative care to community.</p>	<p>True 32 (Four - 8 hour workdays) Based on surveys and data, the hope is to see an improvement in work-life balance, decreased turn-over, decreased sick leave usage, increased job satisfaction, and increased recruitment and filling of positions.</p>	
		MEDICAL	
		<p>Acknowledgement of Lab Results by Ordering Provider The results of tests can determine the direction of care for the patient and is a safety issue for the patient. Acknowledgement of lab test by the provider indicates they have seen the result, interpreted them, and have taken any necessary actions needed.</p>	
PUBLIC RELATIONS		Patient Wait Time / Clinic	
<p>Website Traffic Increase Increase overall website traffic by 10% in the year 2024 to help community find preventative services that do not require cost-sharing and assists its patients in navigating options for their care.</p>			

In 2025, the QRM program focused on strengthening policy management, holding regular meetings to review and update policies to ensure alignment with best practices, regulations, and emerging technologies. This work supports safety, staff competency, and accreditation compliance, while reducing risks to Yellowhawk patients, visitors, and staff. More than 42 policies were reviewed or updated in 2025.

Another 2025 goal was to hire and train a Quality and Risk Management Intern, with 70% of training completed by year end. This 18 month internship provides a CTUIR Tribal member with paid experience, education, and support to build long-term career readiness. The intern has received training in PCPCH, OSHA, AAAHC, the Institute for Healthcare Improvement Forum, and ICS. Graduation is expected in August 2026.

PATIENT FEEDBACK

Yellowhawk strives to provide an excellent experience for all patients and visitors. We often request that patients take our Patient Experience Survey at each visit so that we can determine if your care meets the highest level of standards.

If you have any concerns, comments, compliments, or questions about your care and services at Yellowhawk, you can also contact our Quality Improvement Program directly at 541.240.8730.

Yellowhawk uses continuous quality improvement to strengthen the care we provide. Patient Experience Surveys help us understand what our community needs, where we can improve, and how to better support patient health. Staff and the CTUIR Health Commission review all feedback, and we deeply appreciate everyone who shares their voice.

By working together to identify barriers and improve services, we keep the focus on what matters most: you, your family, and your health. Comment cards are also available throughout the clinic for additional feedback.



PATIENT EXPERIENCE SURVEY RESPONSES

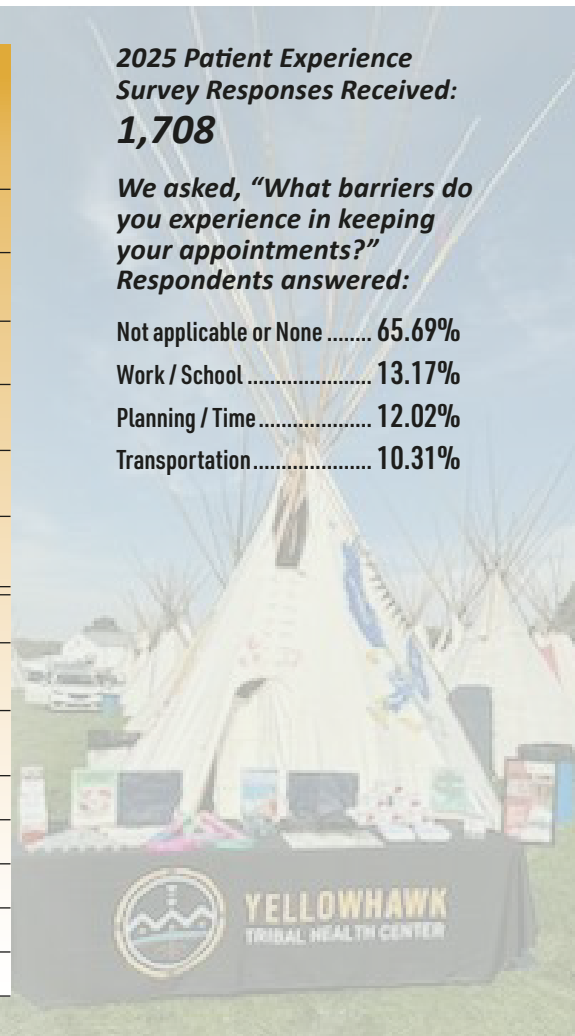
	2023 470+ SURVEYS RECEIVED	2024 1,694 SURVEYS RECEIVED	2025 1,708 SURVEYS RECEIVED
Was easy to schedule appointment	78.13%	85.15%	96.54%
Received an appointment "within the time-frame I needed it"	74.82%	79.3%	85.33%
Waited less than 10 minutes (beyond their appointment time) to be seen by a provider	85.7%	92.59%	90.71%
Rated overall care received from their provider as the best	84.68%	96.0%	98.08%
Said questions were answered in an easy to understand manner	95.0%	97.14%	98.31%
Left their appointment with an understanding of any follow-up that needed to happen	94.88%	98.98%	97.28%
They did NOT feel they experienced any form of discrimination or personal bias at their visit	92.31%	96.64%	97.61%
ATTRIBUTES	2023	2024	2025
What they liked least about their visit - replied "Nothing. My visit met my needs today"	75.0%	90.43%	88.97%
How likely are you to recommend Yellowhawk to a friend or family member?	80.82%	85.05%	93.86%
Friendly Staff	71.77%	86.47%	80.27%
Cleanliness of Facility	59.05%	74.38%	75.62%
Provider Knowledge	52.37%	70.94%	66.85%
Customer Service	55.39%	69.25%	78.08%
Accessibility			74.79%

2025 Patient Experience Survey Responses Received:
1,708

We asked, "What barriers do you experience in keeping your appointments?"

Respondents answered:

- Not applicable or None 65.69%
- Work / School 13.17%
- Planning / Time 12.02%
- Transportation 10.31%



INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS LIAISON

2025 marked a year of major transformation for Yellowhawk and for relationships between Tribal, local, state, and federal governments. During a period of shifting policies and funding uncertainty, Yellowhawk strengthened its commitment to protect and advance the interests of our Tribal community through the work of the Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison. This role ensures that Tribal voices are present where decisions are made, and that Yellowhawk is actively advocating for resources, recognition, and accountability from all levels of government.

Advocacy Highlights & Government Relations

Through significant changes in healthcare funding, the Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison played a key role in advancing Yellowhawk's interests and protecting Tribal health resources. 2025 was a year of strengthening relationships between Yellowhawk and state and federal partners. Over the summer, Yellowhawk met with the Acting Indian Health Service (IHS) Director to advocate for stronger government-to-government consultation practices and increased federal investment in Tribal healthcare. These discussions emphasized that decreasing funding contradicts the federal trust responsibility, especially when Tribal communities continue to experience disproportionate health disparities.

One major achievement was supporting Yellowhawk's engagement in the Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP), a promising step toward holding the federal government accountable to its trust responsibility to Tribal communities. Through consistent advocacy, Yellowhawk was represented at Oregon Health Authority (OHA) meetings, Federal Consultations, and Inter-Tribal discussions among the Nine Tribes of Oregon, ensuring our community's needs were communicated directly to decision-makers. This work helped position Yellowhawk to compete for and secure the maximum available funding, over \$2 million, during a time when many Tribal programs faced reductions.



(Left) Vincent Sheoships, Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison, and (right) Benjamin Smith, Acting Director of IHS

Why This Work Matters

The Intergovernmental Affairs Liaison serves as a bridge between Yellowhawk and government systems that directly affect Tribal health, funding, and sovereignty. By building relationships, monitoring policy changes, and advocating in formal government spaces, Yellowhawk ensures that Tribal priorities are not overlooked and that high-quality, culturally responsive services are delivered directly to our Tribal community.

THE FACE OF YELLOWHAWK SOCIAL MEDIA



Lily, our Public Relations Communications Coordinator - the creative mind and innovative spirit behind our social media. Her work helps keep our community informed, connected, and engaged with the programs and events that uplift the CTUIR community and beyond.

"Lily brings a thoughtful, creative approach to everything she does. Her commitment to clear, meaningful communication strengthens our connection with the community and elevates the stories that matter most." Public Relations Manager, Shanna Hamilton



FINANCE

Grant Expenditures



KRISTI LAPP
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

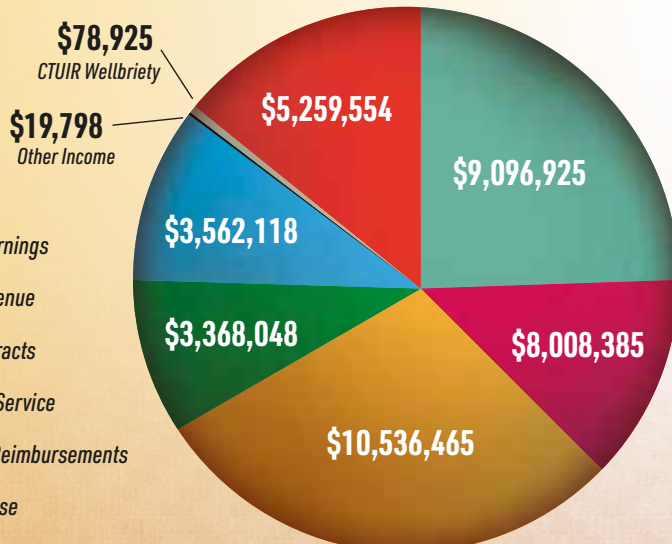
Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center is pleased to report another financially successful year in 2025. Over the past year, we secured more than \$4.6 million in grant funding, with most of these dollars supporting critical work in our Behavioral Health and Public Health departments. In addition, the increased size of our clinic following the 2024 expansion allowed us to renegotiate our 105L lease with the Indian Health Service and obtain new leases for our Sober Transitional Houses. As a result, lease revenue in 2025 totaled \$3,562,118.

Providing excellent patient care remains our top priority. Because third party billing revenue is essential to sustaining and expanding high-quality services, productivity and revenue generation continue to be important focus areas. While IHS provides reliable base funding, it does not cover the full cost of operating a modern health clinic. Between 2015 and 2025, IHS funding grew only 10%, while the cost of living rose 35.45% and the cost of medical care increased 25.6%¹. This widening gap underscores the need to pursue every viable avenue for thirdparty revenue. In 2026, this revenue stream is expected to represent approximately 39% of Yellowhawk’s total funding.

Supporting patients in obtaining and maintaining health coverage is a key part of this effort. At each entrance, our staff request that all patients check-in before going to appointments, which allows our Eligibility Coordinators to update demographic and insurance information and ensure accurate billing. The Resource Coordinator and Public Services Coordinator—located in offices near the clinic lobby—assist patients with enrolling in the Oregon Health Plan, Medicare, and other coverage programs. These services not only help patients access care but also strengthen the thirdparty revenue that allows Yellowhawk to continue improving and expanding our services for the community.

Funding to Cover 2025 Expenditures

- Investment Earnings
- 3rd Party Revenue
- Grants & Contracts
- Indian Health Service
- Indirect Cost Reimbursements
- I.H.S. 105I Lease



NON-COVID GRANTS:

ACF Tribal Maternal Home Visiting.....	\$492,046
CTUIR Wellbriety.....	\$78,925
I.H.S. Native Public Health Resilience.....	\$359,398
I.H.S. Special Diabetes Program.....	\$199,851
LCHP SHARE.....	\$16,000
MCH Title V Block Grant.....	\$21,735
NPAIHB Cancer Project.....	\$599
NPAIHB Emergency Preparation.....	\$27,000
NPAIHB PH Emergency Preparation.....	\$35,000
NPAIHB Tribal Opioid Response 3.....	\$76,147
NPAIHB TOR 5.....	\$55,356
NPAIHB TOR 6.....	\$159,740
OAA Caregiver Grant.....	\$77,694
OAA Older Americans Act.....	\$67,773
ODHS Alcohol and Drug.....	\$29,235
ODHS Elder Justice.....	\$100,000
ODHS Prevention.....	\$135,137
ODHS School Based Mental Health.....	\$343,235
ODHS Tobacco Prevention Grant.....	\$192,934
OHA APD Meal Infrastructure.....	\$19,764
OHA Behavioral Health Resource Network BHRN.....	\$300,919
OHA Health Emergency Preparedness.....	\$37,867
OHA Home Delivered Meals.....	\$13,498
OHA Measure 110 Mental Health.....	\$31,282
OHA Mental Health Crisis Start Up.....	\$631,502
OHA Problem Gambling.....	\$2,691
OHA CDC Public Health Infrastructure.....	\$136,535
OHA Public Health Modernization.....	\$310,859
OHA State Tribal Opioid Grant 3.....	\$36,482
OHA State Tribal Opioid Grant 2025-2026.....	\$11,366
OHA Suicide Prevention.....	\$56,468
OHA Tribal Traditional Health Worker Development.....	\$10,000
OHA Workforce Clinical Supervision.....	\$3,137
OHA Workforce Incentives.....	\$3,325
OHSU Native Stand.....	\$537
OR Criminal Justice Commission Deflection.....	\$141,571
Rural Adults Min-Grant.....	\$10,099
State of Oregon Outstation Outreach Worker.....	\$82,320
State of Oregon Tribal Navigator.....	\$60,935
USDA/Senior Meal Program.....	\$9,909
Women Infants and Children (WIC).....	\$30,147

Total Non-COVID Grants.....\$4,409,015

COVID GRANTS:

I.H.S. COVID Operations.....	\$3,174
I.H.S. COVID Telehealth.....	\$3,921
I.H.S. COVID PPPHCEA.....	\$17,955
I.H.S. COVID Test Related Activities.....	\$3,493
OHA Tribal COVID Monitoring & Vaccine.....	\$207,944

Total COVID grants.....\$236,488

\$4,645,503

TOTAL GRANT SPENDING

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U.S.
POSTAGE
PAID
PERMIT #57
PENDLETON
OR

988

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

DIRECTORY

Behavioral Health	541.240.8670
Business Office	541.240.8696
Dental	541.240.8698
Lab & X-Ray	541.240.8699
Medical Appointments	541.240.8499
Medical Records Fax	541.240.8751
Optometry	541.240.8565
Pharmacy	541.240.8691
Pharmacy Refill	541.240.8690
Physical Therapy	541.240.8462
Public Health	541.240.8697
PH Nurse Vaccination	541.240.8411
Transportation	541.240.8525

For after hours assistance with a mental health crisis, please call 988 or text HELLO to 741741 or contact Community Counseling Solutions at 541.240.8030



YELLOWHAWK
TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER

Located on the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center is 7 miles east of Pendleton, Oregon.

MAIN LINE: **541.966.9830**

AFTER HOURS NURSING TELEPHONE ADVICE: 541.966.9830

*If you have a life-threatening emergency, call **911** or visit the nearest emergency room immediately.*

Other service providers available when Yellowhawk is closed are urgent care or walk-in clinics.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE: **www.yellowhawk.org**



Community Warm Line 541.969.0010

