



News Release

# Encompass Health to build 36-bed inpatient rehabilitation hospital in Bridgeport, West Virginia

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. and BRIDGEPORT, W.Va., May 29, 2026 /PRNewswire/ -- Encompass Health Corp. (NYSE: EHC) today announced plans to build a freestanding, 36-bed inpatient rehabilitation hospital in Bridgeport, West Virginia. The hospital will be an expanded relocation of Encompass Health's former 19-bed unit within the WVU Medicine United Hospital Center.

"We're thrilled to expand access to inpatient rehabilitation care for patients in Bridgeport and surrounding communities," said Abe Sims, president of Encompass Health's MidAtlantic region. "The need for our services has increased with continued growth in the area, and we look forward to serving more patients closer to home in this new, freestanding hospital."

The hospital will feature all private patient rooms, a state-of-the-art therapy gym equipped with advanced rehabilitation technologies, an activities of daily living suite, an in-house dialysis suite, a dining room, a pharmacy and an outdoor therapy courtyard.

The hospital will serve patients recovering from debilitating illnesses and injuries, including stroke and other neurological conditions, brain and spinal cord injuries, amputations and complex orthopedic conditions. In addition to 24-hour nursing care, the hospital will provide physical, occupational and speech therapies to help patients restore function and improve quality of life. Care will be delivered by an interdisciplinary team of specialized nurses, therapists and physicians.

Encompass Health's 19-bed unit within the WVU Medicine United Hospital Center is now closed, but **Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Morgantown** has temporarily expanded its capacity to provide continuity of care for patients during construction of the new hospital in Bridgeport.

## About Encompass Health

Encompass Health (NYSE: EHC) is the largest owner and operator of inpatient rehabilitation hospitals in the United States. With a national footprint that includes 175 hospitals in 39 states and Puerto Rico, the Company provides high-quality, compassionate rehabilitative care for patients recovering from major injuries or illnesses, using advanced technology and innovative treatments to maximize recovery. Encompass Health is recognized by Newsweek as America's Most Awarded Leader in Inpatient Rehabilitation and is ranked among Fortune's World's Most Admired Companies™ and Forbes' America's Best Companies. It is also recognized by Becker's Healthcare and Modern Healthcare as a top healthcare employer. For more information, visit [encompasshealth.com](https://www.encompasshealth.com) and follow us on our [newsroom](#), [X](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

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severe staffing shortages and the impact on Encompass Health's labor expenses from potential union activity and staffing shortages; changes, delays in (including in connection with resolution of Medicare payment reviews or appeals), or suspension of reimbursement for Encompass Health's services by governmental or private payors; general conditions in the economy and capital markets; and other factors which may be identified from time to time in Encompass Health's SEC filings and other public announcements, including Encompass Health's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2025 and Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2026.

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