OHSU is the state's only academic institution dedicated to the education of health professionals and biomedical researchers.

OHSU occupies a wooded, 116 acre campus in Portland. Its missions are patient care, education, research and service. Our primary mission, however, is to provide excellent patient care, which serves as a model for training health professionals and biomedical scientists. OHSU offers the state's only doctoral degrees in dentistry, medicine and nursing. OHSU Hospital and Doernbecher Children's Hospital serve as the primary clinical teaching facilities for students, interns, residents and fellows.

Patients come from all economic backgrounds and represent a full spectrum of medical needs from the routine to the most difficult and complex medical and surgical cases.

OHSU researchers have pioneered significant advances in health care, including new programs in liver, lung, heart and pancreatic transplant.

OHSU's Vollum Institute for Advanced Biomedical Research focuses on the neurosciences, including degenerative diseases and behavioral patterns controlled at the chemical level.

The Center for Research on Occupational and Environmental Toxicology joined OHSU in 1988 and was the first facility of its kind to focus on toxins found in the workplace and their effect on the brain and nervous system.

The Biomedical Information and Communication Center serves as a model for the nation's library information systems, bringing vital medical data and information to health professionals at OHSU and throughout the state.

During the last five years OHSU has experienced great growth. Among the numerous facilities added to the campus are the $30 million dollar Casey Eye Institute, a center for ophthalmologic research and tertiary clinical care; a new School of Nursing building, and a School of Medicine Basic Science addition.

The Physicians Pavilion has enhanced our ambulatory surgery practice, and the addition of the Hatfield Research Center includes a new emergency room and ambulatory research center.

OHSU's Doernbecher Children's Hospital opened July 1998 at a new site on campus. There are 120 beds, including the medical/surgical units, pediatric intensive care, the Kenneth W. Ford Cancer Center, a day surgery unit and the Neonatal Intensive Care Center. Each patient has a private room with a built-in bed so parents can stay with their child. The Doernbecher Children's Hospital
Hospital is visited by more than 30,000 children annually from every county in Oregon and five surrounding states. There also is a 14-bed labor and delivery unit which adjoins the Doernbecher Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. This area contains a new antepartum testing section and a new postpartum ward.