



The PVAMC is a 145-bed hospital that is directly connected to OHSU Hospital via a covered walkway that spans a canyon. In addition to the many routine operations performed at the PVAMC, the hospital serves as a tertiary care center for other VA facilities in Oregon, Alaska, Washington, and Idaho. All surgical specialties are very active. The Portland VAMC is nationally known for studies in carotid artery and aortic aneurysmal disease, and was instrumental in contributing to the VA risk assessment program which compares surgical outcomes adjusted for patient risk. In addition, the Portland VAMC is one of four VA hospitals that has a liver transplant program, is in the top ten for heart surgery volume, and has an active renal transplantation program.