# **House Education Committee**

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# North Dakota's School of Medicine and Health Sciences



#### Our Purpose

To serve North Dakota
For the benefit of its
people
To improve the quality of
their lives

### Who We Are

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#### **Campuses**

Bismarck, Fargo, Grand Forks and Minot (+ OT in Casper, WY)

180

Full-time Academic Faculty

1,350+

Clinical Community
Clinical Faculty

Nearly

300

**Benefitted Staff** 

19

Benefitted Postdoctoral Fellows

177

Medical Residents and Fellows



# Serving North Dakota for more than a Century

1905 BS Medicine

1949 Medical Lab Science 1954 Occupational Therapy 1968 Physical Therapy 1970 Physician Assistance 1973 MD

1991 Athletic Training / Sports Medicine

2012 Master Public Health

2020 PhD Indigenous Health

1905 1973 1996 2016

Established

as a two-year basic science medical school, offering a Bachelor of Science in Medicine degree. Expanded

to a four-year Doctor of Medicine (M.D.) program. The first class to complete the full program graduated in 1976. Renamed
the UND School of
Medicine & Health
Sciences to reflect its

broadened scope in health and biomedical education.

Modern Facility
a new 325,000-squarefoot, four-story building
on the northeast corner
of the UND campus,
marking the largest
public project in North

**Dakota's history at that** 

time.

### Who We Are

~300
Medical Students

550+
Health Sciences
Students
All levels

50+
Master/Doctoral
Students

1,000+
Undergraduates
served
(biochemistry, anatomy,
pre-nursing, forensic
science, etc.)





### **Healthcare Workforce Training Programs**

#### Medicine

Doctor of Medicine (MD)

Post-MD Residency Programs

Family Medicine (with rural tracks)

**Internal Medicine** 

Medical Oncology

Neurology

Geriatrics

Surgery (with rural track)

Orthopedic Surgery

Psychiatry (with Telepsychiatry)

**Transitional Year** 

**Pediatrics** 

Forensic Pathology

#### **Health Sciences/Related**

Physical Therapy (D)

Occupational Therapy (D)

Medical Laboratory Science (U and M)

Master of Public Health (M)

Physician Assistant Studies (M)

Sports Medicine/Athletic Training (M)

**Graduate Programs:** 

Biomedical Sciences (D and M)

Clinical & Translational Science (D and M)

Indigenous Health (D)

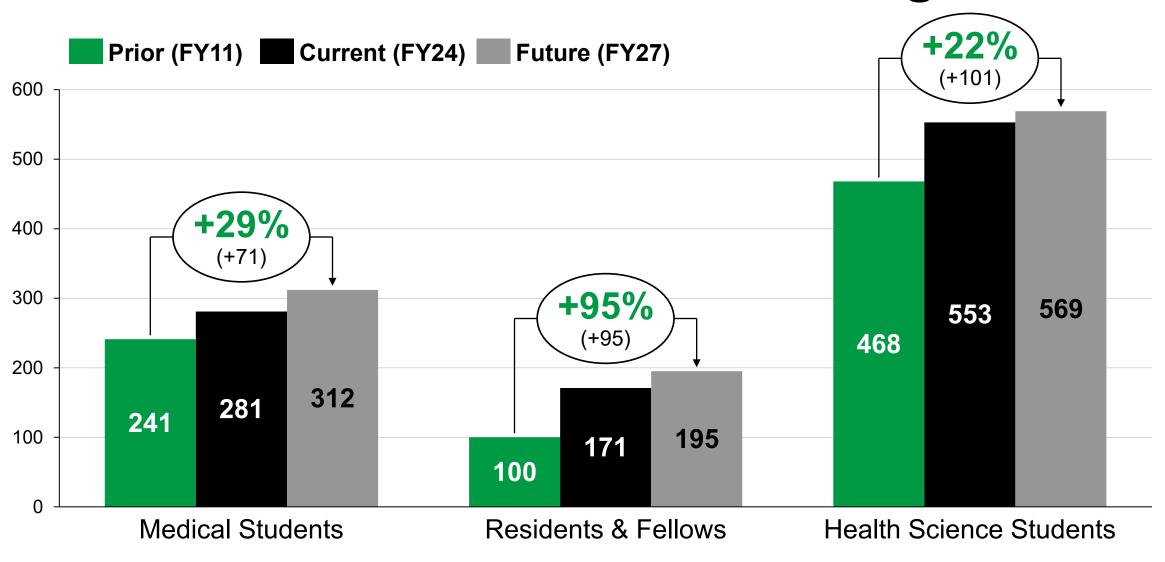
D = Doctorate

M = Master

U = Undergraduate

# SMHS Return on Investment

# **Growth in Student/Trainee Programs**



### **SMHS ROI: UND Grads Practicing in ND**

79% of Family Medicine Physicians 49% of all Physicians 46% of Occupational Therapists

44% of Physical Therapists 38% of Medical Lab Scientists

37% of Physician Assistants

# **Centers for Family Medicine**

- Safety net clinics in Bismarck & Minot
- Care provided by 16 SMHS faculty and 39 residents
- Minot CFM in 2024:
  - Hospital encounters: 3,971
  - Clinic encounters: 12,067
- Bismarck CFM in 2024
  - Hospital encounters: 5,546
  - Clinic encounters: 14,364





# Simulation in Motion-North Dakota (SIM-ND) 30,000+ Individuals Trained







# "Overall, this is the best training for our local EMS personnel."

Nancy Paintner
Cooperstown Ambulance Service
Cooperstown, ND

"The ability to have SIM-ND come here with expert educators and top-notch equipment is truly invaluable, and it is such a necessary and crucial asset to our small communities."

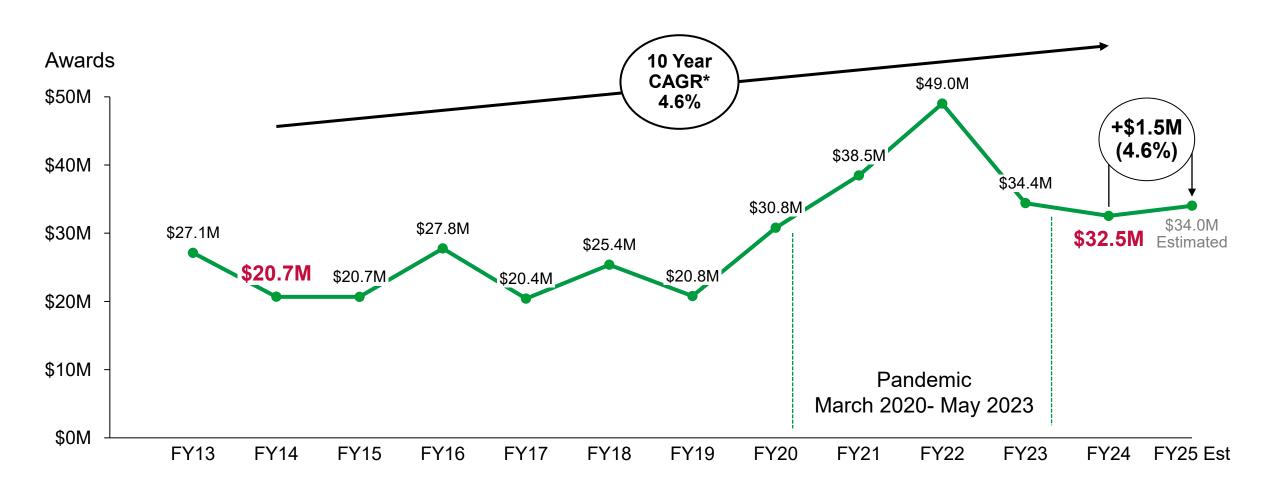
**Abby Helgeson**First Care Health Center
Park River, ND





- One of the nation's most experienced rural health organizations.
- Its work assists researchers, educators, policymakers, healthcare providers, and most importantly, rural residents
- Identifies and studies rural health issues, analyzes health policy, strengthens local capabilities, develops communitybased alternatives, and advocates for rural concerns.

# **UND SMHS Sponsored Funding (\$Award)**



<sup>\*</sup> CAGR: Compound Annual Growth Rate

# 8<sup>th</sup> Biennial Report

Healthcare Workforce

**Healthcare Access** 

**Health Status** 

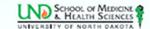
- North Dakotans
- American Indians of North Dakota
- Women and Children

Public Health for the Future

med.UND.edu/about/publications/biennial-report

# HEALTH ISSUES FOR THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

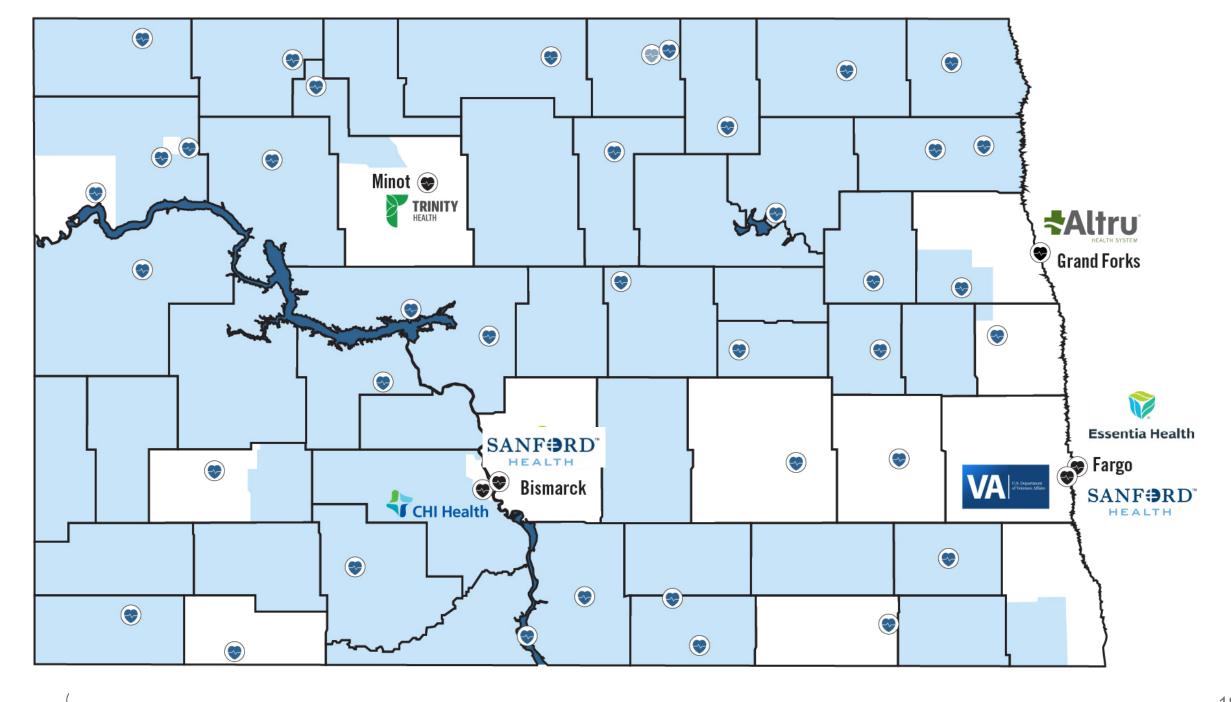




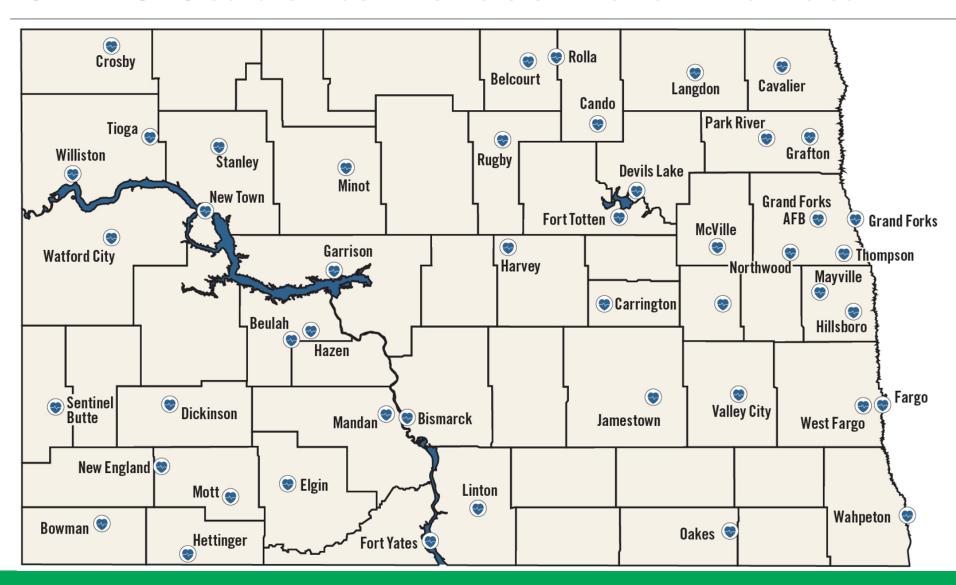


# Large Footprint Lean Operations



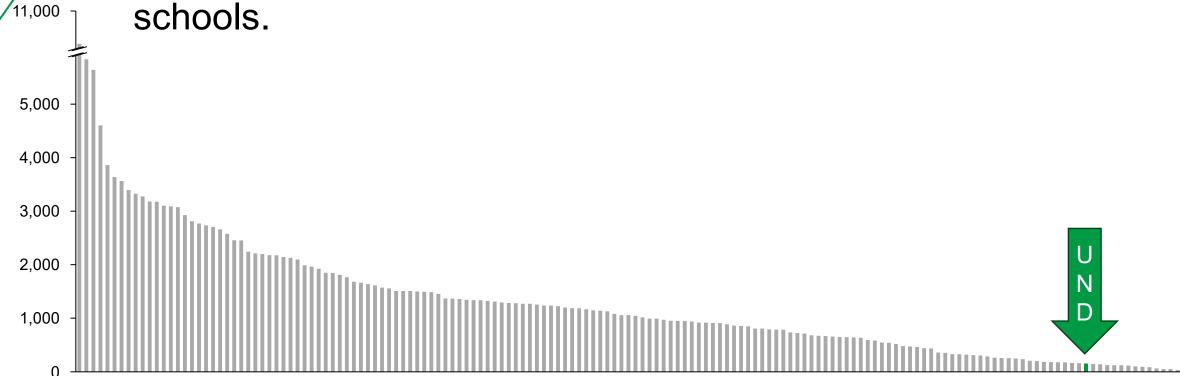


### **SMHS Students Across North Dakota**



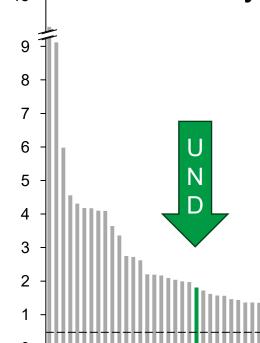
# Faculty for MD program 2024-25 (School)

• In 2024-25, the UND SMHS reported a faculty count of 158 to the AAMC, resulting in a ranking of 144th out of 159 member schools.



# Student per Faculty Ratio 2024-25 (School)

- In 2024-25, UND SMHS's Student-to-Faculty ratio (1.80) ranked 22nd among 158 medical schools, exceeding the national average of 0.47. This may reflect UND SMHS's lean and efficient model.
- We may be small, but we deliver results.



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# SMHS Building Addition Health Professions Facility



### **Innovations in Education & Training**

Healthcare teams, Real-world Workforce Prep, Al

### **Expanding Healthcare Delivery Capacity**

Continue the growth achieved over the last decade

### **Expand Research to Address Current Issues**

Real Research for Real People and Real Problems in Real Time (R5)

### Disseminating 21<sup>st</sup> Century Health Solutions

**Across North Dakota** 



### Columbia Hall: Current SMHS Building Utilization

Lecture halls and teaching labs

Research labs\*\*

Specialized research facilities

**Total Loss** 

11,589 square feet

9,951 square feet

2,046 square feet

23,586 square feet

<sup>\*\*</sup>All SMHS building research space will be utilized with a remaining deficit of 2,000 sq ft

### **Student Lectures and Labs**

~830 undergraduate students with 1,472 contact hours of instruction in Anatomy & Physiology, Pharmacology, and Microbiology courses will be relocated to the SMHS.

The Anatomy and Physiology labs can be relocated to the SMHS with some disruption of scheduled instruction for medical and allied health students.

Microbiology labs will move to an online lab impacting approximately **400 students per year**.

### **Research and Recruitment**

#### **Displayed Research Activities**

**Total Personnel** 

Faculty	5
Postdoctoral Fellows	4
Undergraduate Researchers	16
Graduate Students	10
Research Staff	4

WITH \$4.3M IN EXTRAMURAL FUNDING

39

Extramural funded research and mentoring activities will be reduced for all SMHS research faculty

Recruitment of the Chair of the Department of Biomedical Sciences will be impacted

All new faculty recruitment will be severely limited

### **Avoid Deferred Maintenance: \$60M**







**Nursing Building: \$12M** 

### **Health Professions Facility Funding Request**

\$95M **Total Cost** 

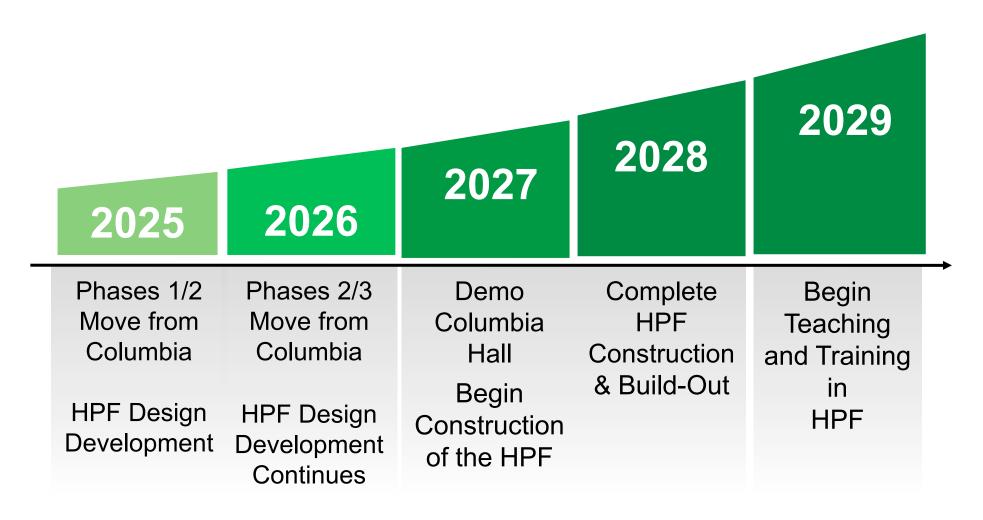
**UND Local Funds** \$40M

\$55M State Funds

**Source:** Facility Condition Assessment Report by ISES. Estimated project costs are based on 2026 construction costs.



# 5 Year Timeline to Occupy the Health Professions Facility





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