

Hospital History/Milestones



- 1942 Basic Magnesium Hospital is founded in Henderson, Nevada, by the U.S. government as part of the war effort to provide health care to the area's industrial workers and their families.
- 1945–1946 When the war ends, the government looks for a buyer. Upon prompting by Bishop Thomas K. Gorman, Mother General Mary Gerald of the Adrian Dominican Sisters of Adrian, Michigan, agrees that her Order should purchase and manage the hospital.
- 1947 The government sells the hospital to the Adrian Dominican Sisters for \$1 with the stipulation that the Sisters assume the hospital's debt and operate the hospital for 25 years. The facility is named Rose de Lima Hospital.
- 1955 Rose de Lima Hospital is the first hospital in southern Nevada to be accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals.
- 1956 The hospital is the first medical facility in the area to obtain a radioisotope (nuclear medicine) laboratory and the first fully-accredited cancer treatment center.
- 1960 The hospital opens a new three-story patient wing along with a new emergency room, surgical suites and obstetrics unit.
- 1961 A new 20-bed neuropsychiatric unit is established. Rose de Lima becomes the first private hospital in the area to have a contract with State Mental Health.
- 1972 The hospital celebrates its 25th anniversary and is now a 100-bed facility with intensive care, physical therapy, inhalation therapy and diagnostic x-ray units.
- 1974 The word "Saint" is added to the hospital's name and the hospital becomes known as St. Rose de Lima. The government awards the final land title to the hospital.
- 1984 St. Rose opens the St. Rose Medical Services/Green Valley Office on Mountain Vista, a 31,000 square foot outpatient facility.
- 1988 St. Rose de Lima joins in co-sponsorship with Catholic Healthcare West, the largest Catholic healthcare organization in the west.
- 1989 The hospital adds the word "Dominican" to its name, becoming St. Rose Dominican Hospital in honor of the founding sisters.

- 1991 Plans for a \$25 million, four-story expansion begin. Community leaders join medical professionals in designing new, state-of-the-art medical facilities, including labor, delivery, recovery and postpartum suites.
- 1992 St. Rose Dominican Hospital becomes the first hospital in the United States to install the GE Vectra 1.5T MR breast coil which tests the viability of silicone breast implants and questionable lumps found by mammograms.
- 1994 The St. Rose Dominican Medical Services Green Valley South Building (Pecos and Wigwam) opens. This facility houses private practice physicians and a Community Education classroom.
- 1994–1995 The hospital expands existing cardiology services to include a cardiac catheterization laboratory. After 24 months of successful fundraising, the Wiegand Cardiac Rehabilitation Center is opened.
- 1998 St. Rose Dominican Hospital Family Health Services opens. This professional center is located at Green Valley Parkway and Horizon Drive and serves the MacDonald Ranch area.
- Ground is broken and blessed for a \$185 million medical facility – St. Rose Dominican Hospital, Siena Campus – an acute care facility that will eventually have 300 patient rooms. The current hospital is renamed St. Rose Dominican Hospital – Rose de Lima Campus.
- Twenty additional beds and two new surgical suites are added to the Rose de Lima Campus.
- The hospital opens the \$17 million Parkway Medical Plaza, a three-story medical complex dedicated to ambulatory care, which includes The Barbara Greenspun WomensCare Center of Excellence and the hospital's first St. Rose *UrgentCare*. The facility also features rehabilitation services and the Parkway Imaging Center to open in early 2000 providing diagnostic outpatient services.
- The Greenspun Family Foundation donates \$3 million to St. Rose Dominican Hospital's "The Barbara Greenspun WomensCare Center of Excellence." The Center addresses women's unique wellness needs from a mind/body/spirit perspective, emphasizing education and informational resources.
- 1999 The hospital opens the Hartwell Medical Center at Warm Springs and Shadow Crest/Spencer in March. The \$3.4 million center serves residents of southeast Las Vegas and Henderson with an array of physician's offices, a diagnostic imaging center and a new St. Rose *UrgentCare* center.
- 2000 The hospital completes a \$2.5 million expansion of its Emergency Department at the Rose de Lima Campus, increasing its size from 5,999 to more than 9,600 square feet -- adding nine patient beds for a total of 23, an expanded waiting room and a larger, lighted helicopter pad.
- With the opening of a second campus, the hospital system is renamed St. Rose Dominican Hospitals.
- The first phase of St. Rose Dominican Hospitals - Siena Campus opens in July 2000 with 141 patient rooms, along with the Del E. Webb Medical Plaza. In November, the Joint Replacement Center is introduced at the Siena Campus.
- 2001 In late December 2000, the State approves St. Rose Dominican Hospitals' Open Heart program at the Siena Campus. The first open heart surgery is performed on January 2, 2001.

During the spring and summer of 2001, St. Rose introduces three new units that offer specialized care at the Siena Campus. The Chest Pain Unit monitors patients who present in the emergency room for up to 24 hours to determine cause of the pain and an appropriate care plan. The Oncology Unit provides focused care in a separate area especially for oncology/cancer patients. The Post-Angioplasty Unit closely monitors and attends to the needs of patients who have just undergone an angioplasty in the hospital's Cardiac Catheterization Lab.

At the Rose de Lima Campus, St. Rose modifies its Transitional Care Unit into an Acute Rehabilitation Unit. The unit provides specialized care, including intense rehabilitation services, to patients who have suffered a severe or extended illness or injury.

- 2002 St. Rose celebrates the 55th anniversary of the Rose de Lima Campus and becomes the first hospital in Nevada to introduce the new PillCam Capsule Endoscopy technology which enables physicians to view the entire small intestine (21 feet) allowing them to better detect and diagnose conditions such as Crohn's disease, irritable bowel syndrome and celiac disease.
- 2003 The St. Rose Dominican Hospitals – Siena Campus' fourth floor build out is completed in the fall. The \$20 million expansion includes 66 private patient rooms, a Pediatric Department/Pediatric ICU unit, an additional C-section surgery suite, an expanded pharmacy and numerous facility enhancements. St. Rose also introduces a new Cath Lab at the Rose de Lima Campus, featuring the Innova 2000 with InnovaSpin technology.
- 2004 The St. Rose Dominican Hospitals – Siena Campus begins offering intracranial neurosurgery. Ground is broken and blessed for St. Rose Dominican Hospitals' third acute-care facility, the San Martín Campus. The hospital will be located in southwest Las Vegas.
- 2005 Advanced bi-plane radiology equipment and services are added at St. Rose's Siena Campus. St. Rose Dominican Hospitals – Siena Campus receives Level III trauma designation.
- 2006 St. Rose Dominican Hospitals opens a third acute-care facility, the San Martín Campus, in southwest Las Vegas in November. The first phase of the four-floor hospital opens with 111 beds, a three-story medical office building and shelled space for an additional 90 beds.
- 2007 St. Rose Dominican Hospitals – Rose de Lima Campus celebrates its 60th anniversary with year-long festivities including a formal rededication ceremony. Level II Neonatal Intensive Care Units open at both the Rose de Lima and San Martín Campuses; an Open Heart Surgery Center opens at the San Martín Campus and the Siena Campus acquires the CHW system's first da Vinci[®] (robotic) Surgical System. The second Barbara Greenspun WomensCare Center of Excellence opens in southwest Las Vegas.
- 2008 The year starts off with the opening of a Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at the Siena Campus which allows the hospital to provide the highest levels of care for the tiniest of patients. The San Martín Campus adds the new Volcano Intravascular Ultrasound (IVUS) system to its already extensive supply of advanced cardiology equipment. St. Rose also begins the first in-home hospice services in Henderson.
- 2009 The San Martín Campus opened a new Wound Healing and Hyperbaric Medicine Center featuring the only PAHI Hyperbaric Chambers in the valley. St. Rose Hospice Services began a partnership with Henderson Healthcare Center to offer inpatient hospice services. The Rose de Lima Campus Wound Healing Center became the first – and only – in Nevada to receive UHMS (Undersea and Hyperbaric Medical Society) certification. All three St. Rose Dominican Hospitals properties became entirely tobacco and smoke free, inside and outside. The San Martín Campus opened a state-of-the-art Electrophysiology (EP) X-ray lab from Philips Medical Systems.

- 2010 The San Martín Campus begins using the new HALO³⁶⁰ and HALO⁹⁰ Systems to treat Barrett's esophagus, a heartburn related problem, before it becomes esophageal cancer. St. Rose begins offering WIC Program services. Construction begins on the emergency and operating rooms at the Siena Campus. Physicians at the San Martín Campus begin offering minimally-invasive heart surgery (MICS CABG). The Siena Campus received certification from the Joint Commission on its Primary Stroke Center and its Joint Replacement Unit. The Rose de Lima Campus became the first hospital in the world to receive GE's new Wide Bore 450w 1.5T MRI machine with a 70 centimeter bore. The Siena Campus acquired a new 64 slice CT scanner that provides faster and better images with less radiation exposure.
- 2011 Rose de Lima Campus begins using the Innova[®] 4100^{IQ} system from GE Healthcare, an advanced digital X-ray imaging system. Rose de Lima Campus completes an expansion/renovation of its Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility doubling the number of beds from 14 to 28. St. Rose partners with the Union Village development project to build a new hospital campus in Henderson. Siena Campus receives Chest Pain Center Accreditation from the Society of Chest Pain Centers (SCPC). Siena Campus opens St. Rose Center for Neurosurgery in collaboration with Stanford Hospital and Clinics.
- 2012 Catholic Healthcare West, the fifth largest health system in the nation, changed its name to Dignity Health as part of a governance restructure to position the organization to succeed in a changing health care environment. A new hybrid operating suite opened at the Siena Campus. One of the first in Nevada, it provides a state-of-the-art setting where a patient's multiple health issues can be diagnosed and treated in one place and at one time. St. Rose successfully completed its first SAPIEN Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement (TAVR) procedures on several patients in the Hybrid OR, which allowed those patients a non-surgical option when surgery could not be performed. Construction of the five-story hospital tower and four-story parking garage began in July. The St. Rose Quality Care Network (SRQCN), a physician-driven, physician-led clinical integration program launched in October with 600 participating physicians. In November, St. Rose successfully deployed a fully-integrated electronic health record (HER) system, which allowed clinical staff to share access to patient medical records.
- 2013 The St. Rose/Stanford Hospital & Clinics affiliation expanded to include the Cardio-vascular & Thoracic Surgery Program. The Level III NICU expansion (increasing number of beds from 19 to 30) was completed in July. Rose de Lima Campus opened an expanded catheterization lab with the first Ocelot System in Nevada for treating PAD. Two Dignity Health Medical Group Nevada healthcare clinics, associated with Dignity Health-St. Rose Dominican, opened: The Dream Fund Pediatric Endocrinology Clinic in Henderson and Dignity Health Medical Group – Peccole Plaza Clinic in western Las Vegas. Construction began on an expansion of the Siena Campus – a brand new tower that would double the emergency room's capacity and add nearly 100 additional beds.
- 2014 Dignity Health-St. Rose Dominican, San Martin Campus became the first Baby-Friendly hospital in southern Nevada. Topping off ceremony for the new tower at Siena happened in July. The inpatient rehabilitation facility (IRF) at the Rose de Lima Campus introduced three new pieces of equipment that were exclusive to Nevada – the Hokoma[®] Lokomat[®], Armeo[®]Power and Erigo[®]. The IRF also announced a 10 bed expansion to its unit, which is to be completed by early 2015.
- 2015 Dignity Health-St. Rose Dominican, Siena Campus became the second Baby-Friendly hospital in southern Nevada. Siena's Dominican Tower opens; the expansion includes nearly 100 patient beds, a doubled-in-size emergency department, six new operating suites, bringing Siena's bed capacity to 326.
- 2016 Dignity Health-St. Rose Dominican announces a joint venture partnership with Emerus to build multiple neighborhood hospitals throughout southern Nevada. Ground was broken on a new Medical Pavilion, to house a Dignity Health Medical Group Clinic, Dignity Health Nevada's first Urgent Care Clinic, Steinberg Diagnostics, and Quest Imaging.

- 2017 Select Medical and Dignity Health form a joint venture to build an acute inpatient rehabilitation hospital on the Siena Campus. Four Dignity Health-St. Rose Dominican neighborhood hospitals open in Las Vegas (the first in June and the last in December). Dignity Health-St. Rose Dominican's Rose de Lima Campus celebrates its 70th anniversary of serving the Henderson community. Catholic Health Initiatives (CHI) and Dignity Health signed a definitive agreement to combine ministries and create a new, nonprofit Catholic health system that would provide services across 28 states.
- 2018 Dignity Health Nevada's first Urgent Care Center opened at the Pavilion in Henderson. Clean, renewable energy came to the San Martín and Siena Campuses with the installation of solar panels covering 720 and 430 parking spaces, respectively. The projects offset the environmental impact of 533,857 gallons of gasoline or nearly 1,016 cars each year.

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