
Frequently Asked Questions about Lutheran Hospital & LSN

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Although it no longer retains the original name, Lutheran Hospital is the oldest existing hospital west of the Mississippi River. It was founded by the Rev. John F. Buenger in 1858 and moved to its present location in 1878. The hospital expanded services and facilities numerous times, eventually changing its name to Lutheran Medical Center (LMC). The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) sold the property to the for-profit National Medical Enterprises (NME) in 1984 along with the School of Nursing. In 1995, NME merged with another medical company to form Tenet Healthcare; in 1999, Tenet changed LMC's name to South-Pointe Hospital. The next year Tenet (www.tenethealth.com) acquired Alexian Brothers Hospital, a facility several blocks south, which also dates from the mid 19th century. Services between the two facilities were realigned and in 2003 St. Alexius Hospital's two campuses began operating under one license: the Broadway Campus (3933 S. Broadway) and the Jefferson Campus (2639 Miami St.); the school of nursing remained on the Jefferson Campus (3547 S. Jefferson Ave.).

Since 2008, Success Healthcare LLC (www.successhealthcare.com) has been the latest owner of some of Tenet's facilities in St. Louis; this Florida based corporation owns hospitals in Missouri and California. St. Alexius Hospital (www.stalexiushospital.com) provides inpatient care on its Broadway Campus and offers general medical-surgical and psychiatric care, a bariatric program, orthopedic and physical therapy programs, plus partnerships with local medical schools offering physician residency programs. Outpatient services are offered at three medical office buildings in south St. Louis. In addition, outpatient psychiatric services are offered on the Jefferson Campus at the former LMC building. In 2003, the school changed its name from Lutheran Medical Center School of Nursing to Lutheran School of Nursing (www.nursingschoolllmc.com) – it has operated continuously since 1898 and now has offices, classrooms and limited student residency on the Jefferson Campus. It is accredited by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing which was initially granted in 1959 and renewed this year until 2022. Nursing Education: what is, was, and what it is now in 2015 will be discussed in next year's *Bulletin*. Stay tuned.

St. Alexius Hospital – Broadway Campus

Location	Saint Louis, MO
Hospital Type	General medical and surgical
Trauma Center	No
Number of Beds	189
Summary	St. Alexius Hospital – Broadway Campus is a general medical and surgical hospital in Saint Louis, MO, with 189 beds. Survey data for the latest year available shows that 15,485 patients visited the hospital's emergency room. The hospital had a total of 5,427 admissions. Its physicians performed 987 inpatient and 1,151 outpatient surgeries.



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