

# New CEO continues 'exciting journey' at Providence Seaside

## More doctors, partnerships in the works

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SEASIDE — With a new CEO in charge, Providence Seaside Hospital could be in for several changes.

More full-time doctors will be hired. More partnerships may be formed with Columbia Memorial Hospital. The Providence Seaside campus could even get a new look.

Hired in January, Kendall Sawa came to Providence Seaside from Ocean Beach Hospital in Ilwaco, Washington, where he had been chief executive since late 2012.

He formerly served in several positions at PeaceHealth Ketchikan (Alaska) Medical Center for 17 years, before taking the helm of Ocean Beach Hospital under a management

agreement between the public hospital district and PeaceHealth to manage daily operations. The agreement expired Jan. 31.

The move from PeaceHealth to Providence Health & Services wasn't a giant leap, Sawa said. Both systems are Catholic not-for-profits, they are located on the rural coast and their values are much the same.

He calls his new job "an exciting journey for me."

### Scouting for docs

The challenges facing the 25-bed Providence Seaside, Sawa added, aren't too different than those faced by hospitals in other small communities. Recruitment, changing reimbursement systems as a result of the federal Affordable Care Act and competition with other local hospitals are among his top concerns.

But Sawa is optimistic. After recently introducing four new full-time specialists to the community, he is continuing to scout



**Kendall Sawa**

for more primary care doctors in the Cannon Beach, Seaside and Warrenton clinics. He's using the coastal beauty as bait, and he's pretty sure it will work; more providers — including a nurse practitioner, physician's assistant, an internal medicine physician and two walk-in clinic specialists — are expected to arrive at Providence Seaside in the next six to nine months, he said.

"It's a beautiful place to come and work," Sawa said. "There are providers looking for an opportunity to serve a small community hospital like Providence Seaside."

But, he added, every community wants more primary care doctors, which are becoming rare nowadays. Medical school graduates are going into the higher paying specialties instead

of serving general populations.

Being in a small community hospital has its disadvantages: It means being on call much more frequently than in a larger hospital, where there may be little or no on-call duty. It may be difficult to find an affordable home, and the doctor's spouse or partner may not be able to find appropriate work.

But, Sawa noted, there's one big advantage: "In a rural community, you really get to know the people you see as patients." There are other pluses, too, he added. The North Coast is a good place to make a lifestyle change.

"We've been lucky to find several candidates who want to make this a place to live," Sawa said.

### Collaborations

Providence Seaside also will continue to find ways to form partnerships with Columbia Memorial Hospital in Astoria, Sawa added.

"The walls are breaking

down," he said. "It's the right thing to do. We are collaboratively working together."

When CMH announced that it was ending its home health services at the end of April, Providence Seaside agreed to pick up CMH's 17 patients. The Seaside hospital already serves about 100 home health patients — those who need medical attention but can't leave home and don't need a nursing home.

In addition, the two hospitals are collaborating with each other and with Clatsop Behavioral Health to create the Clatsop Behavioral Health Respite Center in Warrenton for those who need treatment for mental health crises.

While Columbia Memorial recently became affiliated with Oregon Health and Science University in Portland, Sawa points to the strength of the overall Providence Health & Services system, which stretches over seven states. It is the third-largest health system in the United States.

Seaside Providence also is working with Ocean Beach Hospital by sending cardiologist Robert Morse there on a regular basis. "He already sees a lot of patients from that area," Sawa said.

To provide service for its rural residents and still stay within budget, the hospital is increasing its use of "telemedicine," where patients talk to doctors online and don't have to travel to appointments. The online process is being used to admit patients to the hospital and to have follow-up discussions with cancer and stroke patients. The system is even being used in the intensive care unit.

With the addition of doctors and other personnel, the hospital may have to expand outside its current boundaries on Wahanna Road in Seaside, Sawa said. A master construction plan is being worked on, he added, and more off-campus offices may be opened.

"We are definitely out of space," Sawa said.

# LGBT: June is Pride month, witnessed two memorable moments

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Herzig's talk, "Misogyny and Transphobia," was a timely one.

June — Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride month — witnessed two significant moments in LGBT history: An Oregon judge granted a petition letting a person legally identify as "nonbinary" rather than as male or female. And, on June 12, an ISIS-inspired gunman murdered 49 people at a gay nightclub in Orlando, Florida.

Though the U.S. Supreme Court legalized gay marriage last summer, setbacks in the gay rights movement continue to occur, including North Carolina's House Bill 2, which removed anti-discrimination protections against the LGBT community, and mandates that, in government buildings, people use restrooms that align with the sex listed on their birth certificate — a serious problem for many transgender individuals.

Herzig, who chairs the Lower Columbia Diversity Project, reminded the group that LGBT civil rights and recognition remain matters of life and death. "It is that serious an issue," he said.

### Binaries

But what do anti-LGBT views have to do with misogyny (hatred of women)? Why is calling a man a "sissy," "fairy," "pansy" or "girlie" considered devastating criticism?

Fueling this behavior is a wide-

spread and deeply rooted belief that men are somehow superior to women, that masculinity is more valuable than femininity, Herzig said, channeling the work of 20th century feminist and queer-studies writers.

This belief assumes a rigid binary system: All things male are over here, all things female are over there, and the twain shall not meet in the character of a single human being.

A patriarchal society — in which it is deemed normal, even moral, for men to hold more power than women — strives to keep this structure intact by policing the boundaries between the ways men and women express their gender identity and sexual orientation: how they talk and dress, where they work, who they have sex with, and who they love. And it punishes those who dare to cross the line.

People who are gay or transgender, who present themselves as the opposite sex, threaten a status quo upheld by social, cultural and religious institutions.

"Men have to be not women, and women have to be not men, in order for this structure to survive," Herzig said. "If they start to blend, then we're in trouble; the whole patriarchal structure comes crashing down."

Within this framework, it makes sense for women to aspire to be like men, to want male privilege. But it's unnatural for men to want to be more like women: "That subverts the whole paradigm. That can't be tolerated, because that means the struc-

ture is unsound," Herzig said. "For any man to voluntarily give up that privilege and go down, that calls the whole thing into question."

### Patriarchy's side effects

Patriarchy — as expressed through homophobia and transphobia — produces staggering levels of suffering.

Doctors, with parental consent, have long operated on intersex infants — babies born with sexually ambiguous genitalia — to literally construct their sex. They may then grow up and sense their anatomical sex doesn't match their gender identity.

A growing intersex movement is working to end these surgical interventions, to let intersex children develop and discover their own sexuality. But "it's very difficult to raise a child without a gender," Herzig said. "That's just the culture we live in."

With transgender people, the rules governing attraction and sexual pursuit become extremely complicated and potentially dangerous.

Many men feel uncomfortable at the thought of a transgender woman looking at them affectionately; they may feel as though a man is lusting after them, placing them in a subordinate "female" role.

Especially perilous are situations where a man attracted to a woman finds out the object of his desire is a transgender woman. The man may feel a need to defend his manhood and heterosexuality, perhaps by com-

mitting violence against the woman.

Dani Williams, a member of the Lower Columbia Gender Alliance, remarked: "The person that is actually the perpetrator of the violence is just as much a victim, in a sense, of this binary patriarchal society that we have."

Herzig agreed: "We're losing our humanity when we lock ourselves in. The worst thing is, we lose our humanity when we lock other people in and kill them for trying to climb out of their cubicle. And that, as you know, is very real currently."

### 'How deeply it goes'

As often happens at library lectures touching on controversial topics, the community members who showed up and participated largely agreed with Herzig's message.

Ami Kreider, the senior library assistant who develops the library's adult programs, would like to see some ideological diversity at the "Diversity Dialogues."

"Considering the divisive political climate in which we live, I feel that it's especially important that people have opportunities to respectfully exchange diverse points of view about hot-button topics," she wrote in a message. "I retain enough idealism to believe that, when people have safe forums in which they may discuss their differences, they often discover that they share more common ground with the 'others' than they had formerly believed."

The lone voice of pushback on Friday came from a woman who pressed Herzig on whether he really believed some men who identify as gay didn't in fact choose their sexual orientation.

Herzig said that people do not choose whom they are attracted to. However, "you can choose how much you're going to live your truth, and sometimes you have to choose not to live it at all, because you'll be risking your life," he said, "and nobody should have to do that."

He added: "In my experience, it doesn't make sense to say that anybody would choose to be a persecuted minority."

"But let's say it were a choice," he continued. "As Americans don't we have free choice? Aren't we free to choose our religious observances or not? Aren't we free to choose our political parties? Aren't we free to choose a lot of things? Why shouldn't that be a protected choice?"

Herzig, like most of the attendees, grew up without a language to call out and beat back misogyny and the many phobias that emanate from it. Even today, Herzig continues to struggle with the social forces that shaped his generation.

"I still worry that my mannerisms are effeminate ... and people are going to think less of me," he said. "I still carry that around with me. And that bothers me, that I do that, that I still do that. So that shows how deeply it goes."

# TV LISTINGS

Evening listings  
MONDAY

MONDAY EVENING												JUNE 27	
A	L	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
2	KATU	(2) KATU News		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Bachelorette (N)				Mistresses "Blurred Lines" (N)		KATU News at 11	(35) Jimmy Kimmel
4	KOMO	(4) KOMO 4 News		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Bachelorette (N)				Mistresses "Blurred Lines" (N)		KOMO 4 News	(35) Jimmy Kimmel
5	KING	(5) NBC Nightly News	KING 5 News	KING 5 News	Evening	Swimming Olympic Trials		American Ninja Warrior "Philadelphia Qualifier" (N)				KING 5 News	(35) Tonight Show
6	KOIN	(6) KOIN 6 News at 6	CBS Evening News	Extra	Ent. Tonight	Mom	2 Broke Girls	Scorpion "Sun of a Gun"		BrainDead (N)		KOIN 6 News @ 11	(35) S. Colbert
7	KIRO	(7) KIRO 7 News	CBS Evening News	The Insider	Ent. Tonight	Mom	2 Broke Girls	Scorpion "Sun of a Gun"		BrainDead (N)		KIRO News	(35) S. Colbert
8	KGW	(8) KGW News at 6:00 p.m.		Live at Seven	Inside Edition	Swimming Olympic Trials		American Ninja Warrior "Philadelphia Qualifier" (N)				KGW News at 11	(35) Tonight Show
9	KRCW	(9) Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Modern Family	Modern Family	Whose Line Is It? "Whose Line Is It?"	Whose Line Is It? "Whose Line Is It?"	Whose Line Is It? "Whose Line Is It?"		Whose Line Is It? "Whose Line Is It?"		KGW News at 10	(35) Two 1/2 Men
10	KOPB	(10) This Old House	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour		Antiques Rd. "Vintage New York"		Ore. Experience	Ore. Experience		Antiques Rd. "Vintage Secaucus"	POV "The Look of Silence" (N)	
12	KPTV	(12) 6 O'Clock News		Family Feud	Family Feud	So You Think You Can Dance (N)		Houdini & Doyle "Necromanteion" (N)		10 O'Clock News		11 O'Clock News	Loves Ray
13	KPDZ	(13) Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	FOX 12's 8 O'Clock News on PDX-TV		FOX 12's 9 O'Clock News on PDX-TV		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Greed"		Law & Order: S.V.U.	"Justice"
13	KCPO	(13) Name Game		Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	So You Think You Can Dance (N)		Houdini & Doyle "Necromanteion" (N)		Q13 News at 10		Q13 News	Modern Family
20	TBS	(20) American Dad	American Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	American Dad (N)	Angie Tribeca (N)	Family Guy		Full Frontal (N)	Conan (N)	
22	KZJL	(22) Two and a Half	Two and a Half	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Modern Family	Modern Family	Q13 News at 9				Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory
29	ESPN	(29) (4:00) NCAA Baseball		MLB Baseball (L)								Friends	Friends
30	ESPN2	(30) UEFA Soccer Euro 2016				SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	SportsCenter
31	NICK	(31) Henry Danger	Henry Danger	The Thundermans	The Thundermans	Nicky/Ricky/Dicky	Game Shakers	Full House		Full House		Friends Pt. 1 of 2	Friends Pt. 2 of 2
32	DISN	(32) Liv and Maddie	K.C. Undercover	K.C. Undercover	K.C. Undercover	Stuck in Middle	Liv and Maddie	Girl Meets World	Friends Whenever		Stuck in Middle	Liv and Maddie	Backstage
34	FAM	(34) (5:00) *** The Blind Side '09, Spt)	Tim McGraw, Quinton Aaron, Sandra Bullock	The Fosters "Safe" (N)		The Fosters "Safe" (N)		Guilt "Exit Wounds" (N)		Monica Medium "School Spirit" (SF) (N)		The 700 Club	
35	FX	(35) (5:00) 2 Guns (13) Denzel Washington.	(10) *** Mission: Impossible - Ghost Protocol (11, Act) Jeremy Renner, Simon Pegg, Tom Cruise.	(55) FXM Presents		★ Act of Valor (2012, Action) Roselyn Sanchez, Nestor Serrana, Alex Veadov.		★ Act of Valor (2012, Action) Roselyn Sanchez, Nestor Serrana, Alex Veadov.		UNREAL "Treason" (N)		To Be Announced	
36	LIFE	(36) To Be Announced				To Be Announced		Maids "Sweeping With the Enemy" (N)		UNREAL "Treason" (N)		To Be Announced	
38	ROOT	(38) Mariners Access	NHRA Drag Racing -- Bristol, Tenn.					UFC 52 Couture and Liddell headline this event.					
39	F51	(39) WPT Poker Alpha8											
43	SPIKE	(43) Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	TMZ Sports (N)	Best I Heard (N)		Fox Sports Live	TMZ Sports	Speak for Yourself
44	COM	(44) (20) Futurama	(50) Futurama	(20) Futurama	(50) South Park	(25) South Park "The Snuke"		(55) South Park	South Park		Trip Tank (N)	South Park	The Daily Show (N)   Tonight Show (N)
45	HIST	(45) (5:00) Barbarians Rising "Rebellion"		Barbarians Rising "Revenge" Arminius unites the tribes and engineers an ambush.		Barbarians Rising "Ruin" Attila the Hun seizes power through destruction. (N)		Barbarians Rising "Ruin" Attila the Hun seizes power through destruction. (N)				(05) Barbarians Rising "Ruin"	
46	A&E	(46) The First 48		The First 48		The First 48 "Old Wounds"		The First 48 "Old Wounds"				(05) First 48 "Killer Debt/ House of Rage"	
47	TLC	(47) To Be Announced		My 600-lb Life: Where Are They Now?		Born Schizophrenic: January's Story		Schizoph. "Jani and Bodhi's Journey"				Born Schizophrenic: January's Story	
48	DISC	(48) Bride of Jaws		Isle of Protection "Sharkopedia Edition" (N)		Shallow Water Invasion (N)		Jaws of the Deep (N)				Shark Dark (N)	Jaws of the Deep
49	MYG	(49) Myigrations		Port Protection		Myigrations		Myigrations				Myigrations	
50	TNT	(50) Castle "3XK"		Castle "Almost Famous"		Rizzoli & Isles "Post Mortem"		Rizzoli & Isles "Shadow of Doubt" (N)				Major Crimes "Foreign Affairs" (N)	Rizzoli & Isles "Shadow of Doubt"
51	AMC	(51) Movie	*** Gladiator (2000, Epic) Joaquin Phoenix, Connie Nielsen, Russell Crowe.									TURN "Trial and Execution" (SF) (N)	TURN "Trial and Execution"
52	USA	(52) NCIS "Judgement Day" Pt. 2 of 2		Modern Family	Modern Family	WWE Monday Night Raw						(05) Queen of the South "Piloto"	
53	FOOD	(53) Kids BBQ Championship "State Fair"		Kids BBQ Champ	Cowboy Campfire"	Kids BBQ Champ "The Big Smoke" (N)		Cake "How to Train Your Dragon" (N)		Chopped "Competition Italiano"		Chopped "Say Cheese!"	
54	HGTV	(54) Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Tiny House, Big	Tiny House, Big	Tiny House, Big (N)   Tiny House, Big (N)		House Hunters (N)   House Hunters (N)		TinyHouseHunters	TinyHouseHunters
56	FX	(56) *** Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted	(12) Ben Stiller.			Turbo (2013, Animated) Voices of Paul Giamatti, Maya Rudolph, Ryan Reynolds.		Turbo (2013, Animated) Voices of Paul Giamatti, Maya Rudolph, Ryan Reynolds.				CNN Newsroom	
57	CNN	(57) Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		Anderson Cooper 360		Anderson Cooper 360				On the Record	
58	FNC	(58) The Kelly File With Megyn Kelly		Hannity		The Kelly File With Megyn Kelly		Hannity				Paid Program	Paid Program
61	CNBC	(61) Shark Tank		Shark Tank		West Texas "The Magnificent Six-Pack"		West Texas "Escape From West Texas"				WatchWhat (N)	Real Housewives
63	BRVA	(63) The Real Housewives "Baptism by Fire"		Orange County Social (N)		Southern Charm "Reunion" (N)		The Real Housewives (N)				Odd Mom Out (N)   Odd Mom Out	WatchWhat (N)   Real Housewives
64	TCM	(64) (5:00) Dinner at Eight (33) Jean Harlow.		*** Tugboat Annie (23, Com) Wallace Beery, Marie Dressler.	(45) *** Emma (32, Dra) Richard Cromwell, Marie Dressler.			(15) *** Prosperity (1932, Comedy) Anita Page, Polly Morgan, Marie Dressler.				*** Freddy vs. Jason (2003, Horror) Ken Kirzinger, Monica Keena, Robert Englund.	
65	SYFY	(65) *** The Lone Ranger (2013, Action) Armie Hammer, William Fichtner, Johnny Depp.				12 Monkeys "Resurrection" (N)						Product Showcase	
162	RFD	(162) American Rancher	Red Steagall	Horse Master	Inside Reining	Craig Cameron	Rural Eve. News	Rural America "Live"				American Rancher	Red Steagall

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