



POINTS OF PRIDE 2025-26



University of Nebraska
Medical Center™



EDGE District anchored by UNMC

The EDGE District – located just west of UNMC in Omaha – is a dynamic hub for health-focused scientific discovery, entrepreneurship and commercialization. UNMC owns much of the property in the triangle-shaped district and works with multiple developers on various projects. The 30-acre district includes Catalyst, a health care focused tech hub that allows entrepreneurs, investors and businesses to collaborate within the renovated 1906 Omaha Steel Castings industrial tract; the CORE (Center of Research Excellence) Building, a mixed-use facility that supports computer-based research and wet and dry lab-based research for drug discovery, oncology and other strategic areas; and a 750-stall parking garage owned by the city of Omaha.

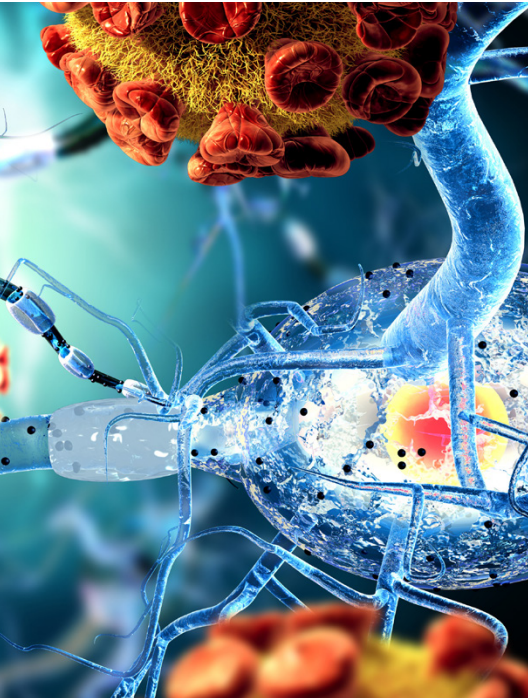


Clinic gives veterans reason to smile

Since opening its donor-funded VETSmile Dental Clinic in July 2024, the UNMC College of Dentistry has provide accessible dental services to more than 100 veterans. In collaboration with the Department of Veterans Affairs' VETSmile program, UNMC dental students and volunteer faculty offer affordable or free dental services to eligible veterans – and help them establish a dental home for ongoing care and preventive services.

Addressing workforce needs across Nebraska

To boost the rural health workforce in Nebraska, UNMC welcomed its first cohort of pharmacy students to its Kearney campus in 2025 and expanded its nursing and allied health professions programs. In 2026, UNMC will welcome its first cohort of medical students in Kearney. The students will train in the Douglas A. Kristensen Rural Health Education Complex, which includes the Health Science Education Center I (which opened in 2015) and the Health Science Education Center II (scheduled to open in 2026). UNMC programs on the Kearney campus – at full implementation – will enroll more than 600 learners.



Nebraskan first to receive novel MS treatment

Nebraska Medicine and UNMC are leading a first-of-its-kind clinical trial exploring the use of allogeneic CAR T-cell therapy for the treatment of multiple sclerosis. This innovative approach, previously applied to blood cancers, uses donor T-cells that are genetically engineered to target and eliminate the immune cells driving MS. In 2025, Nebraskan Jan Janisch-Hanzlik became the first individual in the world to receive the therapy for MS. “I’m not just excited for me,” she said, “I’m excited for the whole MS community.”

iEXCEL helps train future health professionals statewide

UNMC's Interprofessional Experiential Center for Enduring Learning (iEXCEL) is entering a new phase of growth. With iEXCEL 2.0, technology is expanding to allow statewide access to immersive training, advancing research on human performance, and strengthening collaboration across the University of Nebraska system. With the launch of the iEXCEL Emerging Technology Lab, UNMC is pioneering innovations such as mobile holographic technology, digital twins and detailed and accurate prototyping to keep Nebraska at the forefront of health care education.



uBEATS becomes national health science resource

uBEATS, UNMC's free online science and health science resource for middle- and high-school students, is being used in all 50 states. Nationally endorsed, uBEATS – short for UNMC and UNO Building Excellence in Academics Through STEM - is a member of the National Consortium for Health Science Education. Launched in 2020, uBEATS offers free digital content geared to grades 6-12 (as well as microcredentials) in such areas as careers, pharmacology, behavioral health, cancer and public health.

UNMC FAST FACTS



4,818

Students enrolled, fall 2025
25th consecutive year of enrollment growth



6,539

Employed by UNMC (5,611 FTE), September 2025



\$1.07 billion

UNMC's operating budget (FY 2025-26)
(16.8% state-supported)



500 miles

UNMC's influence reaches across the state
with campuses in Scottsbluff, Kearney, Lincoln,
Norfolk and Omaha.



\$280.4 million

UNMC record in total expenditures on research projects
and externally funded instructional and public service
projects (fiscal year 2025). Total sponsored and state-aided
research projects (a subset of above) was \$229.5M for FY25.



Interim Chancellor

H. Dele Davies, MD (July 2024 to present)

National ranking

Among the best in U.S. News & World Report rankings: Primary care, nursing, physical therapy, public health, physician assistant and pharmacy programs – plus our online graduate nursing programs.

Major units

Six colleges: College of Allied Health Professions, College of Dentistry, College of Medicine, College of Nursing, College of Pharmacy, College of Public Health; two degree-granting institutes: the Munroe-Meyer Institute and the Eppley Institute for Research in Cancer and Allied Diseases; and a graduate studies program.

Founded

1881, after being chartered in 1869. Originally the Omaha Medical College, the college became affiliated with the University of Nebraska in 1902.

University of Nebraska

The University of Nebraska Medical Center is one of four campuses of the University of Nebraska System. The others are the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the University of Nebraska at Omaha and the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

International appeal

UNMC's 296 international students represent 48 countries (fall 2025).

Clinical partner

UNMC's primary clinical partner, Nebraska Medicine, provides access to more than 1,400 physicians, nearly 70 specialty and primary care health centers and two hospitals (Nebraska Medical Center and Bellevue Medical Center) with more than 800 licensed beds. Nebraska Medicine traces its roots back to 1869 with the founding of Omaha's first hospital. In the decades since, it has built an international reputation for breakthroughs in cancer care, organ transplantation and treatment of infectious diseases.