

WATSON CLINIC

A Legacy of Excellence Since 1941.

In the summer of 1941, a medical group comprised of two surgeons, two internists, and a urologist officially became known as Watson Clinic.

Led by **Dr. Herman Watson**, their mission was to provide the very best healthcare to the people of Polk County and beyond.



Today, their dream has blossomed into one of the largest and most respected medical clinics in the southeastern United States heralding a team of over **350 world-class physicians and providers**, more than **40 medical and surgical specialties**, and **20 convenient locations** close to home.

For over eight decades, Watson Clinic has set a standard for excellence in healthcare. Our devotion to innovation has resulted in the introduction of many "firsts" to our community – from open heart surgery to 3D mammography.

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In addition to our **Main** location in Lakeland – the central hub of Clinic operations since 1958 - Watson Clinic has grown to touch every corner of the community with 19 regional sites across Polk, Pasco and Hillsborough counties.

The future looks brighter than ever as Watson Clinic embarks on one of the most ambitious projects in our history – a collaboration with Orlando Health on a six-story hospital named the **Orlando Health Watson Clinic Lakeland Highlands Hospital**. Sharing a south Lakeland campus with the hospital will be two additional Watson Clinic locations – a four-story medical office building called **Watson Clinic Parkway Medical Center** and a state-of-the-art ambulatory surgical center called **Watson Clinic Surgery Center South**.



With a total staff of nearly 2,100 team members welcoming well over 1.4 million outpatient visits every year, Watson Clinic remains well equipped to treat any ailment you are likely to experience in your lifetime.



For more information on Watson Clinic's rich history within the community, visit [WatsonClinic.com/History](https://www.WatsonClinic.com/History).