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Dear Friend,

Nationally over 28.5 million people were uninsured in 2017. Studies have shown that uninsured patients are less likely to have regular out-patient care and are more likely to be hospitalized for avoidable health problems. Many of our patients are one paycheck away from being homeless.

For the past 47 years the N.E.W. Community Clinic has been providing quality care to the hard-working, low-income and uninsured people of Brown County. The clinic opened in July of 1971 under the name of the Green Bay Area Free Clinic as a social work project of a University of Wisconsin—Green Bay student. We now have 3 clinics: our main site is centrally located at 622 Bodart St.; our second site, The N.E.W. Medical Clinic at NWTC, opened in July of 2006 is on the west side of Green Bay: our third site, Outreach Health Care, is located at 879 Mather St. across the street from The Salvation Army. In the fall of 2011 we opened another collaborative program providing dental care for Medicaid patients that were utilizing local emergency rooms for dental care and pregnant women who participate in the WIC program. In 2013 we doubled the capacity at our dental clinic at NWTC. In 2014, oral surgeons from Bay Oral Surgery & Implant Center and Oral & Maxillofacial Surgeons BayCare Clinic began volunteering at our dental clinic providing oral surgery services. In November 2016 we opened a second dental clinic on the east side of Green Bay.

INTERESTING FACTS:

- About 63% of these patients stated that coming to the clinic prevented them from going to the emergency room and 85% of the patients stated that we were able to meet their immediate health care needs.
- There were **3458 patient visits in 2017** at the Bodart St. clinic.
- Our Health Care for the Homeless program treated **919 new patients** in 2017 and over **3223 total patient** encounters.
- The average earned income per uninsured family that we served was \$11,682 per year.
- Total encounters for all programs exceeded **30,000 patients in 2017**.

With additional funding we would have the ability to assist more patients. As a valued member of the community we are reaching out for your support. Your donation will help to provide diabetic supplies, medications for adults and children (about \$5.00 can provide a one month supply of a prescription), dental care, and health care for the homeless program or one of our other programs.

Please help us continue to provide quality, compassionate and caring health care to those that need it most in our community.

Your donation is tax deductible.

Thank you,
Bonnie Kuhr, CEO / Executive Director

Thank You to our Volunteers

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HCH Learning Collaborative

N.E.W. Community Clinic has partnered with the National Health Care for the Homeless Council and Wisconsin Primary Health Care Association to participate in a 3-Year Learning Collaborative aimed at improving health outcomes for individuals experiencing homelessness in our community. We are honored to have been selected to participate in this opportunity as the only Wisconsin Health Center to participate. Thirteen Health Centers were selected from across the country to participate in the Learning Collaborative.



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The first goal of the Learning Collaborative is to develop standardized Quality Performance Measures in the homeless population, while considering the conditions and environments this unique population experiences. The second goal is developing or using existing information technology and tools to track and use the data to drive improvement in health outcomes.

Year 1 of the Learning Collaborative was completed in June. The 13 Health Center's identified and prioritized the following 3 categories of Quality Performance Measures: Substance-Use Measures, Trauma-related Measures, and Housing-related Measures.

As we begin planning for Year 2 of the Learning Collaborative, we will identify specific metrics that fit within these categories, develop standards of practice, and data tracking tools. Year 3 will focus on implementation of the designed standards and measurement of data to identify if improvement was achieved.

Seth Moore, Family Nurse Practitioner and Healthcare for the Homeless Program Coordinator encouraged the Clinic's participation in the Learning Collaborative: "One of the benefits of participating in this type of project is learning from other Health Centers and what their programs have done to overcome some of the challenges we face as a homeless program".

N.E.W. Community Clinic's Healthcare for the Homeless Program provides medical and case management services at 879 Mather Street, Green Bay and six shelters in the Green Bay area. For more information, please call 920-437-7206.

Healthy Smiles for Mom and Baby

Healthy Smiles for Mom and Baby (HSMB) is a statewide program to integrate oral health into prenatal and pediatric health care systems.

NEW Community Clinic is proud to be an active member of the "Healthy Smiles For Mom and Baby" program. The perinatal period is a critical time to lay the foundation for preventing dental caries in infants. Many studies document the cariogenic bacteria that cause dental caries can be transmitted from mothers and intimate caregivers to infants. Studies reveal that maternal untreated dental caries increases the likelihood of dental caries in children. Therefore, oral health interventions targeting pregnant women are important for preventing early childhood caries.

Physiological changes that occur during pregnancy can increase a woman's risk of oral disease, yet pregnant women are significantly less likely to receive dental care. Providing pregnant women with oral health care and counseling about preventing and treating oral disease is critical for mothers and young children. Dental treatment including x-rays and local anesthetic can be safely provided during pregnancy.



Volunteers Needed

Our medical clinic, located at 622 Bodart Street provides medical/ health care to uninsured, lowincome individuals and families. The clinic is in need of volunteer Physicians/Doctors. This site is primarily staffed by volunteer providers and offers primary health care and some specialty care. In 2017, this site had 3.458 visits. We see patients 8:30am to 12 noon and 1:00pm to 5:00pm Monday through Thursday and on Fridays from 8:30am to 12 noon. We do have evening hours on Tuesday and Wednesday until 6:00pm. If you are able to give of your time, one morning or afternoon a week or even a month; we would be happy and able to work around your schedule.

It is said "if you've changed one life, you've changed the world." Volunteering at N.E.W. Community Clinic gives you the chance to change the world one life at a time. Through your generous gift of time and your endless pool of talent you are able to fulfill your calling by aiding those in need. We are willing to work around any amount of time you are willing to volunteer; be it 4 hours a week or 4 hours a month. N.E.W. Community Clinic has been aiding the less fortunate in our community for the past 45 years and with your gift of time we can look forward to another successful 45 years.

Please call Bonnie at 920-437-9773 or email newcomm@newcommunityclinic.org if interested.

Thanks for the memories!

My retirement comes with many warm, wonderful memories of my years as Coordinator of N.E.W. Medical Clinic at NWTC. The clinic opened in July 2006 to serve the uninsured and underinsured, lower income residents of the counties served by NWTC. Now, twelve years later the clinic has had 35,000 patient encounters. Our clinic goals remain the same today – best, state of the art healthcare for our patients and quality service learning opportunities for NWTC Health Science program students.

The very professional, capable, compassionate clinic Team continues to provide patient services – medical and preventative care for chronic and, acute illness, dental referrals, assistance with counseling and referrals for mental health issues, assistance with application for insurance and for community resources.

Bi-annual patient evaluations of the care they received support this outcome, reflecting immediate healthcare needs were met and that more than half of these patients would have gone to the hospital emergency centers had this clinic not been here,

Student evaluations of the learning experience received here have always been very favorable of the experience working with a diverse patient population and working with the knowledgeable Clinic Team.



I offer sincere thanks to N.E.W. Community Clinic CEO, Bonnie Kuhr, the N.E.W. Community Clinic Board and Staff, our first clinic Medical Director my late husband Dr. Henry Rahr, my NWTC Clinic Team co-workers. NWTC President Jeff Rafn, and my many NWTC co-workers through these past 12 years.

It has been my privilege. Mary Rahr





Fabulous copycat recipe of Panera Bread's Autumn Squash Soup. This one's filled with butternut squash, pumpkin, apple juice, half-and-half, vegetable broth and seasoned with cinnamon and curry. Garnish with roasted pumpkin seeds. This soup is gluten free.

Prep Time: 20 minutes

Cook Time: 45 minutes

Servings: 8

INGREDIENTS

- 1 extra large butternut squash
- 2-3 tbsp. extra virgin coconut oil
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 15 oz. can Libby's pumpkin
- 1 1/2 cups apple juice
- 1 1/2 cups vegetable broth
- 1 1/2 cups half-and-half or substitute almond milk or coconut milk if vegan
- 1 1/2 tbsp. honey
- 1/4 tsp. curry powder
- 1/2 tsp. cinnamon
- 11/2 tsp. sea salt or kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp. black pepper
- roasted pumpkin seeds for garnish

RECIPE ADAPTED FROM PANERA BREAD.

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Preheat oven to 450°.
- 2. Peel squash.
- 3. Remove seeds and cut in chunks.
- 4. Place in baking dish or on cookie sheet and drizzle with oil.
- 5. Sprinkle generously with salt and pepper.
- 6. Bake at 450° for 25-30 minutes or until fork tender.
- 7. Mash squash with potato masher and place in large stock pot.
- 8. Add pumpkin, apple juice, half-and-half and vegetable broth.
- 9. Puree ingredients with an immersion blender until well mixed.
- 10. Add honey, curry, cinnamon, salt and pepper and heat through about 10-15 minutes at a low simmer.
- 11. To serve, garnish bowls of soup with roasted pumpkin seeds.

NOTE: Adjust the apple juice, vegetable broth and half-and-half according to how large your butternut squash is. If the squash is smaller, decrease liquids.

Technology changes and other WIC Program Updates

Since the eWIC card became available in August, 2015 there have been several changes to make receiving WIC benefits and shopping for WIC foods an easier process.

In November, 2016 a WIC app became available. It's called Wisconsin My WIC and can be downloaded to a participant's smart phone through the Apple or Google Play Store. Once downloaded, the WIC participant has the ability to view their benefit balance at any time, scan UPC codes on food items in the store to see what is WIC approved, find WIC approved stores and receive appointment reminders. Many of our families now use the WIC app and enjoy how it makes their shopping experience easier.

In addition to the app, WIC families can go to the website wichealth.org to read nutrition articles such as how to get your kids to eat more vegetables or what to do about a picky eater. They can contact us and be issued benefits without having to come to our office making receiving benefits a much easier process.

In addition to these changes, WIC families once again received checks to use at local farmers markets to purchase fresh fruit, vegetables and herbs. This year the dollar amount increased from \$24.00 to \$30.00 per family. A farmer was also in our 622 Bodart Street parking lot the first three Tuesday afternoons in August and September for WIC families to purchase items with their farmers market checks.

Our Missiou:

To provide access to quality, comprehensive and compassionate health care to the underserved in our community.



Please see enclosed donation envelope and consider making a tax deductible contribution to the N.E.W. Community Clinic

