Volunteers in Medicine
Helping Hands, Caring Hearts
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Patient Centered Comprehensive Care Program

PRIMARY MEDICAL CARE

- MD's, DO's, CRNP's and PA's
- Women's Health Program
- Chronic disease management
- Laboratory testing
- Radiologic testing
- Clinical Pharmacist

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

- Psychiatric evaluations
- Counseling services
- Case management
- Navigation resources
- Mental Health assessments

PREVENTATIVE CARE

- Blood pressure, diabetes and cholesterol tests
- Vaccinations
- Mammograms and colon cancer screenings
- Counseling-smoking cessation, weight loss, treating depression
- Family Planning

NETWORK OF SPECIALTY PROVIDERS

- Urology
- Pain Management
- Orthopedics
- Endocrinology
- Oncology
- Surgical Specialists
- Gastroenterology
- Ophthalmology

SPECIALTY CARE

- Chiropractic services
- Physical Therapy, Massage Therapy
- Nutritional education with a registered dietitian
- Podiatry care
- Cardiology: EKG, echocardiogram and Stress test
- Dermatology
- Optometry services

DENTAL SERVICES

- Extractions
- Fillings
- Dentures
- Cleanings
- Oral hygiene education
- Oral cancer screenings

History Highlights

2005

- Incorporated and 501 c 3 status
- Community meetings
- Feasibility study conducted that proved a need for a full-time, full-service Free Clinic in Luzerne County

2007

- Core funding received from Blue Cross of NEPA, Highmark, and Weinberg Foundation
- Support from key benefactors—Willary Foundation, Luzerne Foundation, Sordoni Foundation and Geisinger Health System

2008

- Purchased the "Buzzy Bizarre building" at 190 North Pennsylvania Avenue in Wilkes-Barre, PA
- Began seeing patients on June 26, 2008 with an Executive Director, Nurse and a volunteer Physician
- Grand Opening on September 10, 2008 with community leaders and the public
- Recruited volunteer health care providers and specialty providers
- Affiliations with 10 local higher education institutes offering official rotations and internships

2009

- Began expanding services and volunteers to include a clinical pharmacist, registered dietitians, tele-derm program, and psychologist.

2010

- Received funding from the Haas family and began renovations of space for the VIM free dental clinic
- Dental meeting with over 50 guests in the dental industry in attendance
- Benco Dental provides assistance for layout, equipment and supplies
- Collaboration with Wilkes-Barre General Hospital to offer free laboratory testing

2011

- Recruited 12 volunteers dentists
- January began treating patients in the VIM Free Dental Clinic

2012

- Established therapy services including chiropractic services, physical therapy and massage therapy.
- Renovated space to house the therapy services and generated funding to purchase equipment

2013

- Funding to assist with providing free women's health services including mammograms and annual exams through the Susan G. Komen Foundation
- Hired a Dental Manager
- First enrollment period for the Affordable Care Act

2014

- Awarded two Pennsylvania Department of Health Community program grants
- Funding from Northeast Pennsylvania Healthcare Foundation to expand dental program
- Received competitive CVS grant for Care Coordination program
- Appleseed Foundation support of operations of VIM

2015

- Implemented a nationally recognized full service electronic medical record
- Moses Taylor Foundation support of VIM
- United Way Poverty to Possibility Grants for medical and dental services

2016

- Received funding from the AllOne Foundation and Charities to expand behavioral health services
- Social Care Coordinator position was created and filled by a Master of Social Worker
- Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner conducting psychiatric evaluations and medication management
- Expanded services in the dental clinic by offering dentures

2017

- Received funding from the Moses Taylor Foundation for a paid dentist and dental hygienist
- Began development campaign to renovate second floor to house the behavioral health and wellness programs
- VIM and Susan F. Sordoni, MD recognized as Geisinger Commonwealth School of Medicine Community Honoree

2018 GOALS

- Pursue the Patient Centered Medical Home Certification through National Committee of Quality Assurance
- Renovate the second floor and exterior improvements
- Obtain funding or acquire donated eye exam equipment to offer vision testing at VIM
- Ten Year Aniversary Gala in June of 2018