

# Message from the CEO

At Greater Elgin Family Care Center, we strive to provide our patients, their families, and the communities we serve high-quality and affordable primary health care.

It sounds simple, but the reality is that external factors such as Medicaid managed care implementation, health system consolidation and regulatory changes are making attainment of our mission increasingly challenging.

Fortunately, the caliber of GEFCC's Board and staff members is exceptional. With clear strategic priorities, a strong infrastructure and skilled staff, aligned and working towards the same goals, GEFCC's past year provides ample evidence of our continued excellence.

Whether it's the number of persons seeking care from GEFCC, the results of our recent surveys, reviews and audits, or our exceptional clinical, operational and financial outcomes, it is clear that patients can and do trust GEFCC practitioners and staff to provide them documentable quality and affordable care.

We remain deeply grateful for your support, efforts and belief in our mission, and we will continue to do our best in pursuit of it.

Sincerely,

ROBERT M. TANNER, CEO, Greater Elgin Family Care Center

Bob Tanner



### Mission

To provide quality, affordable health care for all, including those without the ability to pay.

#### Vision

Greater Elgin Family Care Center is known in the communities it serves for high quality, patient-centered care, delivered by a team of competent and committed staff. GEFCC will grow responsively and responsibly to fulfill unmet health needs, enhance community relationships and maintain financial viability.



#### **WHO WE SERVE**

ur dedicated staff care for patients who come from 5 different counties and over 300 zip codes. Our patients are individuals and families, homemakers, heads of households, single moms, students, mothers of young

children, teenagers and grandparents. They want to keep their families safe and healthy and want to receive the best care possible without having to sacrifice other necessities, like food and shelter.

#### **Patient Statistics**

- 43% are 18 years old or younger
- 67% are a racial or ethnic minority
- 98% have annual incomes below 200% of Federal Poverty Level<sup>1</sup>
- 83% have annual incomes below 100% of Federal Poverty Level<sup>2</sup>
- 58% are female
- 33% are uninsured
- 36% are best served in a language other than English
- 58% are insured by Medicaid

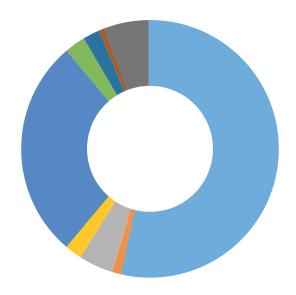
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>An annual income of \$48,600 or less for a family of four.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>An annual income of \$24,300 or less for a family of four.

## **FINANCIALS**

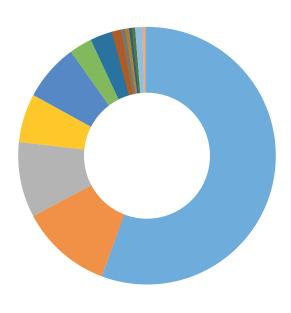
## Revenue

Medicaid	53%
Medicare	1%
Self Pay	4%
Private Insurance	2%
Federal Grants	28%
State Grants	3%
Local Grants	2%
Contributions	1%
Misc Income	6%



# Expenses

Salaries	56%
Benefits/Taxes	12%
Professional Services	9%
Supplies	6%
Rent/Occupancy	. 7%
Laboratory Services	3%
Depreciation	. 3%
Technology Consulting	. 1%
Outreach & Education	. 1%
Conferences/Memberships	. 1%
Liability Insurance	. 1%
Misc. Expenses	1%
Repairs & Maintenance	2%
Travel	. 1%



Charity care provided by GEFCC in Fiscal Year 2015-2016



"My doctor Bhowmick (Physician) is a wonderful doctor. She listens well and talks to you and explains everything to you in a way you can understand it."

#### Tom\*

Tom, a patient at McHenry Community Health Center, came to the Health Center because he had broken his arm and was uninsured. Our Health Benefits Specialist worked with Tom to submit his Medicaid application, and sent a request to the State to expedite his application due to the seriousness of his medical issue. As a result, his application was processed the next day. Tom had a referral to an orthopedic specialist as an uninsured patient, but because his application was expedited, he was able to see the specialist with insurance and have surgery within the week.

Tom was able to return to his normal life and activities and now has health insurance which will help him take care of any medical needs he has in the future.

## Testimonials from Patient **Satisfaction Surveys:**

When asked to describe how they were best helped at GEFCC, patients responded:

"I like the care and friendliness of the staff. I also like the cleanliness of the facility and the helpful information of your care and health."

"The doctor is very helpful, answers questions and is thorough in explaining and giving information. The nurse and receptionist are also very helpful and courteous."







#### Keven\*

During Keven's visit with his Primary Care
Provider, Keven showed significant anxiety and
shared he was having panic attacks multiple
times each day. He believed his anxiety was
caused by troubles at work and at home with
his wife. To deal with his anxiety, he had been
isolating himself - he stayed home and only went
out to work. This behavior was not helping his
relationship with his wife.

Keven's PCP referred him to our Behavioral Health Integration (BHI) Program and Keven soon began counseling. After less than 3 months of participating in the BHI program, Keven indicated that he was no longer having daily panic attacks and that his anxiety had been reduced significantly. He has been able to venture outside his home with his wife and is now interviewing for a new job.

### Alicia\*

In all her years, Alicia had never been to the dentist. Her first experience with dental care was at GEFCC's Dental Clinic. She had extensive cavities and required full mouth rehabilitation treatment, including restorations, extractions, crowns and space maintainers. Although uninsured, Alicia and her brother are now both patients of GEFCC's Dental Clinic and are pleased with the wonderful experience they've had and the care they are receiving. Alicia even decided to donate several of her personal books from home to the Clinic's waiting area. She said "I love coming to the dentist and I want to share my books with other children at the Dental Clinic."

\* Patient names have been changed to protect anonymity.

"I came in [during] a very difficult moment of my life but I found the light with Olha (Physician Assistant) and Maria (Medical Assistant). I think I can overcome this with you guys. Olha and Maria were my blessing, the best I could have had in a crisis - they gave me peace confidence and wanting to live."

"Everything - the whole clinic in general are wonderful and caring."

"There is never a wait when I call for appointment and the staff always helps me get an appointment around my schedule."

"Dr. Govinda (Physician) is one of the BEST doctors of Greater Elgin. She takes her time for us (patients) all the information, she provided us and she make sure, she takes care of us. I feel, she treats us like family that's why we respect her so much. God bless you Dr. Govinda."

# **CLINICAL OUTCOMES AND QUALITY OF CARE RESULT IN NATIONAL** RECOGNITION

his year came to a close with many great accomplishments by the dedicated staff of GEFCC. Our outcomes on the Bureau of Primary Health Care's Clinical Indicators were recognized as among the best of all Federally Qualified Health Center in the United States, and the best in Illinois.

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) recognized GEFCC as a National Quality Leader, Health Center Quality Leader and Clinical Quality Improver. This recognition is a testament to our Board and staff and directly impacts our patients who benefit from the exceptional quality of care we provide.



15 years providing high quality, affordable health care to all.

138,544

visits were provided.

6,913

patients received dental care.

1,679

mental health visits occurred.







40,666 patients received care.







patients cared at school-based health centers.



7,117

patients received care for diabetes.

patients received care

for hypertension.

1,557

patients seen for dental care at school-based health centers.





83%

of mothers accessed prenatal care in the 1st trimester compared to the state average of 75.8%.

**76%** of pediatric dental patients receive dental sealants, compared to the State average of **48%** 

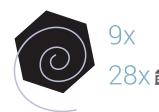


92% of patients received heart attack/ stroke treatment. compared to the State average of 79%





96% of babies born to GEFCC patients had normal birthweights, compared to the State average of 92%



**GEFCC** offers **9** health center locations certified as Primary Care Medical Homes by The Joint Commission, and 28 of school based locations, in partnership with School District U46 and District 300



Colorectal Screening

**State - 33%** 

National - 38%

**GEFCC - 72%** 



Childhood **Immunization**  **State - 82%** 

National - 78%

**GEFCC - 88%** 



Adult Weight Screening & Follow Up

National - 59%

**GEFCC - 97%** 



"The attitude of staff makes me feel like my needs are important to them."



## Continuing to Prioritize Oral Health

It's been less than 6 years since the Institute of Medicine established that oral health is an integral part of overall health, and therefore oral health care is an essential component of comprehensive health care. GEFCC has been at the forefront addressing this need in our community since 2001, when we started providing integrated oral health services in partnership with Elgin Community College.

In September of 2007, through a partnership with School District U-46, GEFCC began offering oral health services, including prophylaxis, oral health exams and sealants, in multiple schools throughout the District. These efforts paved the way for the opening of our Children's Dental Clinic in September, 2008 with the support of Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation. Through continuous assessment of community needs, GEFCC decided to pursue grant funding to provide oral health services to adults and successfully secured a grant to expand the Dental Clinic, from 4 to 8 operatories, and to provide preventive and restorative dental services to adults.

Earlier this year, GEFCC was again awarded both capital and operational funding from several sources to expand our Dental Clinic a second time - to 11 operatories. Funding was also received to purchase additional portable dental operatories, which are now used in our expanded schoolbased oral health care program as well.

# Cervical Cancer Screening Campaign

Over the last 40 years, the cervical cancer death rate in the U.S. has gone down by more than 50%, due to the increased use of Pap tests. However, our work is not complete - each year, 13,000 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer and 4,000 die from the disease. Uninsured women may forego the screening due to the cost, thus increasing their risk of developing cervical cancer if an abnormality is not caught early enough. In addition to the cost being a barrier, many women choose not to get screened because they don't feel comfortable and because they are not experiencing any symptoms.

It's important to educate patients about the importance of getting screened annually, even if they are not having symptoms. Qualifying uninsured patients at GEFCC are able to receive Pap tests via paying of a discounted fee of only \$25. We hope that you will support our efforts to ensure that all our patients get screened for cervical cancer by making a tax-deductible donation at GEFCC.ORG.



# S.P.I.R.I.T. of Excellence

S.P.I.R.I.T. of Excellence is the name of GEFCC's employee recognition program. This program started in September 2012 and allows employees and patients to write nominations for a GEFCC employee who made a positive impact on their experience with our organization.

S.P.I.R.I.T. stands for Mission, Reputation, Quality, Leadership, Communication and Teamwork. There are 4 categories for the S.P.I.R.I.T. of Excellence program: Patient Liaison, Care Partners, Practitioners and Organizational Support, ensuring that all employees throughout the organization have the opportunity to be recognized by their peers and our patient community.

For the 2015-16 S.P.I.R.I.T. of Excellence year, we received 677 nominations. Since the program started, we have received over 2,000 nominations for employees. The following employees were recognized in June as the 2015-16 S.P.I.R.I.T. of Excellence Winners:

Patient Liaison – *Emmanuel Del Valle* – Receptionist; Summit Health Center.

Care Partner – *Fabiola Martinez* – Medical Assistant; Summit Health Center.

Practitioner – *Dr. Salman Khaleeluddin* – Family Practice Physician; Lake Health Center.

Organizational Support – *Alexis Witkowski* – IPC Program Coordinator; Streamwood Community Health Center.

"I'm very happy this [health center] exists. It is a place for people like me who don't have insurance."

#### **Our Locations**

**GEFCC - SUMMIT HEALTH CENTER** 

370 Summit Street Elgin, IL 60120

GEFCC - SENECA HEALTH CENTER & DENTAL CLINIC

450 Dundee Avenue Elgin, IL 60120

**GEFCC - SLADE HEALTH CENTER** 

901 Center Street Elgin, IL 60120

CENTER FOR FAMILY HEALTH - DEKALB

2550 N. Annie Glidden Road DeKalb, IL 60115

CENTER FOR FAMILY HEALTH – SYCAMORE

167 E. Plank Road Sycamore, IL 60178 **CREEKSIDE HEALTH CENTER** 

300 McHenry Road Wheeling, IL 60090

**LAKE HEALTH CENTER** 

1515 E. Lake Street, Suite 202 Hanover Park, IL 60133

MCHENRY COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

3901 Mercy Drive McHenry, IL 60050

RANDALL HEALTH CENTER

1435 N. Randall Road, Suite 410 Elgin, IL 60123

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