



# Oregon Free and Charitable Clinic Consortium

## 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

*Free clinics rely on volunteerism and philanthropy to provide care that meets immediate and ongoing needs. Roughly 90% of the 65,000 clinicians serving in these clinics are volunteers, a majority of whom are retired from full-time practice.\**

### A YEAR IN REVIEW

The above is an amazing testament to the commitment of this country and this state's health providers of all kinds. It is in support of this commitment that Free and Charitable clinics exist. We envision a state in which we do all we can to support this commitment to advance equitable health care access for all Oregons.

#### **Free and Charitable Clinics Vision for all Oregonians**

OFCCC developed a vision that will support our patients and the health of our health care systems.

- Oregon State encourages licensed practitioners to stay engaged in their profession once retired.
- Oregon works to assure low income uninsured and underinsured residents have access to needed and timely health care services
- Licensing, continuing education and oversight is structured in a way that encourages retired practitioners to continue to use their skills serving in a volunteer capacity.

We look forward to working together and with various state licensing boards and our elected legislators to create this as our reality

### IMPACT SNAPSHOT

**90%**

Percent of providers at free clinics are volunteers

**6%**

Percent of Oregon residents who remain uninsured

**28,000+**

2022 Patient Visits

\* NEJM, Rediscovering the Importance of Free and Charitable Clinics, Mark A. Hall, J.D, P586 8/17/2023)

Our clinics serve the low income un- and underinsured, some of the most diverse communities in our state.

## A YEAR IN REVIEW -

30 to 90+% of patients are Spanish speakers. Other languages include English, Russian, Tagalo/Filipino, Chinese, Purepecha, East Indian, Indigenous languages.

All clinics provide interpreters; while ideally in-person volunteers, some also use video or telephonic interpreters.

Clinic with income guidelines serve patients up to 300% of the Federal Poverty Level (\$83,250 for a family of 4).

Telehealth continues to be an important technology for free and charitable clinics to deliver care.

All use EMRs (electronic medical records).

Volunteer providers including medical, dental, nursing, mental health providers in active practice as well as students; Non-clinical volunteers also critical.

Community Health Workers connect patients to other needed social services (housing, transportation, food, etc.).



## Compression Socks now available to our patients

Many of the patients served by our clinics stand on their feet as they work all day. Over time, this can result in pain and discomfort. Some suffer from Chronic Venous Insufficiency, DVT (deep vein thrombosis) or significant leg fatigue.

Due to the generosity of Inovia, the providers at free and charitable clinics can now provide, at no cost, compression stockings for these patients. Inovia provided on-line training materials in both English and Spanish for our patients.

Inovia has been in Central Oregon since 2006 and also has locations in Bridgeport, Tanasbourne, Happy Valley, Tigard and Vancouver WA. Many thanks to Inovia for their generosity and ongoing support. Many thanks to Inovia.

## Oregon Free and Charitable Clinics

- \* Borland Free Clinic – Stafford/Tualatin. [www.borlandclinic.org](http://www.borlandclinic.org)
- \* Caring Hands Worldwide – OR via volunteer days in mobile clinics. [www.caringhandsworldwide.org](http://www.caringhandsworldwide.org)
- \* Clackamas Volunteers in Medicine – Clackamas County. [www.clackamasvim.org](http://www.clackamasvim.org)
- Good News Community Health Center – Rockwood/East Multnomah County. [www.goodnewschc.org](http://www.goodnewschc.org)
- \* La Clinica De Neustra Senora de Guadalupe – Salem.
- North by Northeast Community Health Center – Portland. [www.nxneclinic.org](http://www.nxneclinic.org)
- \* Salem Free Clinics – Marion and Polk Counties. [www.Salemfreeclinics.org](http://www.Salemfreeclinics.org)
- \* Volunteers in Medicine – Cascades – Bend, Deschutes, Jefferson and Crook Counties. [www.vim-cascades.org](http://www.vim-cascades.org)
- \* Volunteers in Medicine Clinic of Lane County – Springfield and Lane County. [www.vim-clinic.org](http://www.vim-clinic.org)

\* Data Included in this report



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