STATE CAPITOL REPORT

Mountain Family Delegation Meets with Legislators
By Danyelle Rigli, Advocacy Coordinator

Mountain Family Health Centers sent a delegation of staff and board members in February to the Colorado Community Health Network Policy and Issues Forum in Denver. The annual event ran February 6th & 7th this year.


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LEADERSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS
Congratulations to Our New Chief Medical Team and Chief Workforce Officer

Please join Mountain Family Health Centers (MFHC) in sharing congratulations and gratitude for the following leadership changes:

Chief Medical Team (CMT): Jenny Lang, FNP; Anneliese Heckert, DO; and Matt Percy, MD. Jenny, Matt, and Anneliese have been leading the organization as Site Medical Directors for several years and have been sharing the Chief Medical Officer role and responsibilities since mid-2018. Matt, Jenny, and Anneliese have formed an effective partnership providing strategic and compassionate leadership for MFHC’s patients, care teams, communities, and organization. It's an honor to have these three unique, and extraordinary, leaders as part of the MFHC leadership team. The Chief Medical Team members will continue to be an equal voice and vote at the MFHC Strategy Team table as we co-author the strategic vision for our organization. The MFHC Strategy Team consists of Jenny Lang, Matt Percy, Anneliese Heckert, Scott Owens, Chief Workforce Officer (see below), Art Fernandez, Chief Operating Officer, Annette Franta, Chief Financial Officer, and Ross Brooks, CEO.

CORRECTION: MOBILE DENTAL VAN PATIENT VISITS

Pardon Our Typo

A typo tripped up one of our newsletter stories last month. We’d like to correct the error in our Mobile Dental Van story: our Mobile Dental Van team provided 3,254 patient visits from March 2017 through mid-February 2019. Our update last month erroneously stated our Mobile Dental Van saw 20,334 visits through the mid December 2018. That truly would have been a breathtaking schedule! The total number of community members served at the Mobile Dental Van remains the same: as of mid-February, our team has provided care to 1,222 patients. Dental services available at the Mobile Dental Van include dental cleanings and preventative care, X-rays, and fillings.

PHILANTHROPIST JIM CALAWAY

A Remembrance

Mountain Family Health Centers honors the passing of dedicated community member and Carbondale resident Jim Calaway. We appreciate how deeply involved Jim and his wife Connie were with improving services and opportunities for area residents. The Sopris Sun had this thoughtful write-up about Jim after his passing.

VALLEY VIEW COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIRS

Mountain Family Will Provide Dental Screenings & Insurance Enrollment

Mountain Family Health Centers will provide dental screenings and insurance outreach and enrollment at three upcoming Valley View Community Health Fairs. Come by and see how services at the fair can help you.
**DATA DOCTOR: SCREENING FOR PERINATAL DEPRESSION**

**Helping Pregnant Moms Who Are At Risk**

By Dr. Chris Tonozzi, MD, Director of Data Quality

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recently released a recommendation related to providing counseling for mothers at risk for depression developing in the prenatal period, or while they have an infant. The recommendation provides a great goal, and an example of why a clinic system based on family medicine providers integrated with behavioral health providers is such a great solution for a community.

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**MARCH MADNESS RETURNS**

**We're Offering Vasectomies**

Mountain Family Health Centers is offering vasectomies during March and April in celebration of March Madness. The men's and women's basketball tournaments offer riveting couch time... just what's needed for recovering from a simple surgery. If a vasectomy is right for you or your partner, it's a safe, effective birth control option that can last for life.

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**REPRESENTATIVE DYLAN ROBERTS VISITS BASALT**

**Tours New Basalt Integrated Health Center**

We were thrilled to host Representative Dylan Roberts, Representative Julie McCluskie, and publisher Paula Stepp for a tour at our new Basalt Integrated Health Center. All three stopped by for a tour last month

If you would like to tour and to learn about our Basalt Integrated Health Center contact Garry Schalla Development Director.

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**IN THE SPOTLIGHT**

**Health Links Highlights Mountain Family**

Mountain Family Health Centers works hard to be a Certified Healthy Workplace™ Leader, as recognized by the organization Health Links. Health Links recently featured Mountain Family Health Centers as a success story. We appreciate the hard work that Health Links does to help create a culture of health, safety, and well-being for employees.

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**IN THE NEWS**

**What We're Reading**

Health care analyst Bob Semro recently published an informative column in the Glenwood Springs Post-Independent, which provides a good overview on health care costs. [Click here to read](#) in full.

The Aspen Times took a look at early results from our collaborative effort to improve behavioral health in the Roaring Fork Valley. We're thrilled to see excellent results so far. That [article is posted](#) here.
MARCH 2019 MARIPOSA AWARD
Congratulations to Jenni Rodriguez

Jenni Rodriguez is the winner of the March 2019 Mariposa Award. Jenni is Outreach and Enrollment Specialist Lead and was nominated by Outreach and Enrollment Manager Silvia Santana. Thank you for your hard work, Jenni.

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MARCH 2019 EXEMPLARY CARE AWARD
Congratulations to Dr. Anneliese Heckert

Congratulations to Dr. Anneliese Heckert, DO, for winning the March 2019 Exemplary Award. Dr. Heckert was nominated by Mountain Family Health Centers CEO Ross Brooks.

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