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Here at Utah Partners for Health, we like to play a game called, “Wouldn’t it be great if we could...?” The year 2016 allowed us to realize many of our dreams. We have expanded services in the areas of medical, dental, vision, and behavioral health to individuals and families regardless of ability to pay. Please celebrate our 2016 review with us where your support made all the difference.

- In January, we opened the UPFH Behavioral Health Clinic to integrate with our medical care services and expanded to four days a week in June.
- In November, we opened the UPFH Dental Clinic with a three chair operatory offering full dental services. Already, 104 individuals have needed care and been served.
- Our Model I - In-Clinic Program provides access to low-income and uninsured individuals with 15 different for-profit clinics and providers that discount their fees by an average of 71%. This allows patients to receive care at the price of a co-pay. We provided 1,989 primary health care visits and received \$243,307 in in-kind donations from these partners. Each dollar donated to this program was leveraged to equal \$10.15 in healthcare services.
- Our Model II – Mobile Medical Clinic collaborated with 37 different schools, churches, community based organizations and businesses at 150 events to provide 1,731 encounters to 1,324 individuals who experience barriers in accessing care such as language, transportation, income, and unfamiliarity with our health system.
- Our Model II – Mobile Eye Care Clinic efforts target Title 1 schools, as access points to provide exams and glasses for students and their families. This program is dramatically improving educational outcomes for students with vision impairment. A total of 2,010 individuals received an exam, with 1,193 receiving free or low cost lenses.
- Our Model III – Mid-Valley Health Clinic is a Federally Qualified Health Center offering a deeply discounted sliding fee schedule for individuals with incomes 200% or less of the Federal Poverty Level. This clinic provided 5,226 primary care visits to 2,474 individuals.
- We achieved our clinical performance measures for cervical cancer screening, adult weight and counseling, tobacco cessation, asthma therapy, coronary artery disease therapy, ischemic vascular disease therapy, colorectal cancer screening, depression screening, and hypertension control.
- In collaboration with Intermountain Healthcare and the Association of Utah Community Health, we have two Community Health Workers on site to reduce social determinant barriers for our patients.

Our 2017 next steps include:

- Expanding Dental Care services. Currently we are operating five days a week with a hygienist providing exams, cleanings and scaling treatments. A dentist is on hand two days a week to provide full dental services including dentures, implants, and crowns. We plan to expand the dentist to 5 days a week in March, 2017. We are also adding panoramic imaging to better serve our patients.
- We are seeking a site to co-locate and integrate our behavioral health services with our medical services.
- Expand mobile eye care and medical events to include 6 Title 1 schools in Midvale, Utah.
- We have targeted 2017 to refine our quality improvement and quality assurance best practices, and to continue to improve our performance measures.

“Wouldn’t it be great if we could...?” Your involvement and support has turned the dream into a reality, but there is so much more we can do to fill the gaps. Thank you again for helping us make a difference in the lives of so many.

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