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Utah Partners for Health would like to thank you for your support and offer this six month update for the year 2017. We expanded our Dental Clinic by taking our part-time Dentist to full-time in March. We also expanded our Behavioral Health Clinic to five days a week in May. Both of these clinics along with our Mid-Valley Health Clinic provide care regardless of a person's ability to pay. The number of patients served continues to increase and we have provided 9,093 visits for 4,076 patients in 2017. Here is a short recap:

- Our Model I - In-Clinic Program provides access to low-income and uninsured individuals in 13 for-profit clinics that discount their fees by an average of 72%. This allows patients to receive care at the price of a co-pay. Thus far, we have provided 962 primary health care visits (medical, dental, eye care, physical therapy, counseling, pulmonology, cardiology, and diagnostic services), and have received \$119,117 in-kind donations from our partner providers in 2017.
- Our Model II – Mobile Medical Clinic has 38 sites including two new correctional facilities and four new schools in Midvale. The mobile clinic provides free care for uninsured patients with incomes less than 200% FPL. A total of 834 medical visits have been completed with individuals and their families in their own neighborhood since the start of this year. These individuals experience barriers in accessing care such as language, transportation, income, and lack of understanding of our health care 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 1,035 persons with low-vision have been given an exam, with 1,012 receiving a free or low cost pair of lenses.
"My parents cannot afford to buy me glasses," he said. This student came to the vision trailer today and had never had a pair of glasses. His vision was 20/80 in both eyes. The exam revealed he had 7 diopters of astigmatism in both eyes. What a difference the glasses will make in his school work and his world! – Wendy Parsons-Baker, Optician
- 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 4,517 primary care visits in the first six months of this year.
- Our Model III – Utah Partners for Health Dental Clinic provided 1,224 low-cost visits including crowns, dentures, and other treatment programs. This program is designed to provide access to dental services for individuals who cannot get treatment due to lack of income.
- Our Model III – Utah Partners for Health Behavioral Health Clinic provided 521 counseling visits including no cost visits for homeless individuals.
- We achieved our clinical performance measures for Tobacco Cessation, Asthma, Coronary Artery Disease, Ischemic Vascular Disease, Dental Sealants, and Hypertension. Child Weight, Depression Screening and Controlled Diabetes and are on track to bring all of our clinical performance measures in line with National benchmarks by years end.

Our passion continues to be “to fill gaps in Utah’s Healthcare System”. We thank you again for helping us to serve those in need. Your support has truly made a difference!

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