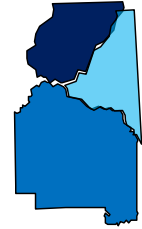




2015 FAST FACTS



Introduction

ACORN Clinic (Alachua County Organization for Rural Needs, Inc.) is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1974 that provides healthcare primarily for residents of rural Alachua, Bradford, and Union Counties in north central Florida. Our primary target is patients who are not insured and cannot afford private healthcare practitioners, dentists, or counselors. We use a sliding scale to determine fees based on household income using Federal Poverty Guidelines. The Clinic fulfills its mission with the help of a broad-based core of health professionals in training and volunteer physicians, nurses, dentists, hygienists, and counselors. In addition to fees from patient care, ACORN receives funds from private and public sources including the United Way of North Central Florida; civic groups; churches; Alachua, Bradford and Union Counties; Medicaid; Medicare; private insurance; foundations; and contributions from individual donors.

Mission Statement: To provide primary and preventive health services to individuals and families of rural north central Florida, regardless of ability to pay. ACORN Clinic provides high quality, affordable medical care, dental care, and social services by staff and volunteers. ACORN acts as a bridge between patients and community resources. In partnership with educational institutions, ACORN functions as an exemplary service learning site for health professionals.

Vision: ACORN Clinic strives to improve the health of rural communities in north central Florida through high-quality, patient-centered healthcare, community partnerships, service learning, and volunteerism.

Core Values:

- **Patient centered** - patients come first.
- **Collaborative** – respectful, courteous, helpful, and kind through teamwork; partners in education and the healthcare safety net.
- **Healthy** – engage in healthy living.
- **Environmentally conscious** – building and grounds well-kept; reduce, reuse, recycle.
- **Community involved** – aware and engaged.
- **Welcoming** – our community, neighbors, partners, and patients are made to feel at home.

Service Statistics

In 2015 ACORN Clinic provided services for **2,881 patients**: 52% were from Alachua County, 21% from Bradford County, 10% from Union County and 18% from 17 other counties in rural North Central Florida. Eighty-nine of patients were at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Level Guidelines (FPL); 71% Caucasian, 20% African American, 9% Hispanic/Other; 15% of patients were children (under age 21), 22% older adults (65+), and the remaining 63% were adults 21-64 years of age. In 2015, there were a total of 9,324 patient visits.

And with its unique volunteer model, ACORN Clinic leveraged **13,050** volunteer hours valued at over **\$1.13 million**. Further, patients received donated medicines and supplies valued at over **\$883,000**.

2015 Patient Care Highlights: MEDICAL

General Medical Clinic: 4,677 clinic visits; 944 unique patients served - 244 were new patients

2558 Primary care visits for acute illnesses and chronic health conditions including: colds/flu, rashes, diabetes, heart disease, hypertension, COPD, asthma, arthritis, and minor injuries. Services include appropriate lab tests, EKGs, pulse oximetry, health education, weight management, and vision screening.

648 Mental health and social service visits including: personal, family, situational, lifestyle counseling; health education; tobacco cessation; benefit counseling for Affordable Care Act, SHINE, ACCESS, Medicare and Medicaid recipients, and identifying services for which patients might not have been aware they were eligible.

666 Visits for specialty care in the areas of hematology, orthopedics, pulmonology, dermatology, rheumatology, and neurology.

113 Pharmacy/Disease management education visits

590 Labs & injections, etc.

Monthly Spanish Clinic: 63 visits with Hispanic migrant workers/families in North Central Florida

Women's Health Partnership Program: 97 clinic visits

97 Clinic visits for pap smears, clinical breast exams, pelvic exams, treatment for sexually transmitted diseases, pregnancy tests, family planning, menopause counseling, and evaluation and treatment of other gynecological problems.

84 Mammogram/ultrasounds referrals, 45% were grant-funded reduced cost

2015 Patient Care Highlights: DENTAL

Dental Clinic: 4,647 clinic visits; 1,937 unique patients served – 802 were new patients

1936 Unique patients seen for exams, x-rays, fillings, crowns, bridges, dentures, root canals, orthodontics

1062 Unique patients received hygiene services, cleanings, and sealants

649 Unique patients treated for extractions and minor oral surgery

414 Unique young patients received routine oral health maintenance and treatment of dental caries for children under 21

Tooth Fairy Dental Outreach Program: 2,017 dental outreach contacts through the "Tooth Fairy" program serving a six county area of rural North Central Florida targeting Pre-K through 1st grade students.

Homeless Clinic: 88 visits with patients living in Alachua County were provided FREE through grant-funded services.

Sponsorship Program: 60 of our neediest patients were provided sponsorships for dental services valued at **\$45,000**.

Organization Leaders

Executive Director: Candice King, MBA, MAE

Medical Director: Peter Carek, MD, MS

Medical Clinic Supervisor: Lynda McCarthy, LPN

Dental Director: Paayal Bhakta, DMD

Dental Clinic Coordinator: Laurie Jennings

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