27 Years of Caring for the Community

Cooperative
Health
Centers, Inc.
Columbia, South Carolina

Project Summary
2005

Caring for the Community

Programs

General Pediatrics
out-patient and hospital

Internal Medicine
out-patient and hospital

Behavioral Medicine

OB/GYN - Full Service
out-patient and hospital

Referral Services for Specialized Care

Office Laboratory

Pharmacy

Family Dentistry

W.I.C. Assistance
Woman's Infant's and Children Nutritional Management

Cooperative Health Pharmacy
(inside Sterling Sharpe Pediatric Center)
4605 Monticello Road
Columbia, SC 29203
Office: (803) 252-3770

Cooperative Health Centers, Inc.
Mission Statement

Founded in 1981

"The mission of the Cooperative Health Centers is to provide comprehensive, high quality compassionate medical care in the spirit of the Good Samaritan. The Cooperative is a federally qualified, community based, comprehensive medical safety net that provides access to primary healthcare services for traditionally underserved populations."

First Location of Eau Claire Pediatrics

4801 Monticello Road, Columbia, SC

1981

Community Sponsored Growth

NFL Star Sterling Sharpe (center) sponsored the Cooperative's first major building expansion in 1995

Cooperative's Richland County Facilities

Eau Claire Internal Medicine

Waverly Family Practice

Sterling Sharpe Pediatric Center

Harden Street Medical Arts

Spanish speaking staff are employed at each location.

Cooperative's Lexington County Facilities

Brookland Community Pediatrics

Brookland-Cayce Medical Center

Pediatrics of Batesburg/Leesville

Spanish speaking staff are employed at each location.

Projects with Lexington Medical Center

- **1999** Started the Cayce medical practice to assist ER with uninsured care, via LMC / Duke Endowment
- **2001** Requested by LMC to assume operation of Pediatrics of Batesburg/Leesville
- **2004** Telepharmacy pilot project at Cayce medical practice, via LMC / Duke Endowment
- **2006** LMC / Duke Endowment assisted in relocation of Co-op's ob/gyn practice serving the uninsured
- **2008** Requested by LMC to assume operation of Ob/Gyn of Batesburg / Leesville

Cooperative's
Fairfield County Facility

Left to Right:

George Staples, Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors for ECCHC; Robert Hopkins, District Administrator representing Congressman Spratt; Dr. Stuart Hamilton, CEO for Eau Claire Cooperative Health Centers, Inc.(ECCHC); Mack Woodward, Past Chairman of the Board of Directors for ECCHC; Donald Prioleau, Council Member, Town of Ridgeway, and Al Hanna, Clerk of Sessions for Lebanon Presbyterian Church (USA) and Director of Human Resources at ECCHC.

Ridgeway Family Practice

Status of the Cooperative Health Centers

(Seven Year Trend 2000 – 2007)

• Patient Population	*Doubled to 30,000 pts*
• Number of Facilities	*Doubled to 9 sites*
• Budget	*Doubled to $12.1 MM*
• Staff	*Doubled to 175*
• Federal Support	*Static @ 12% of budget*
• **Uninsured Patients**	***Tripled to 8,600 pts***

Eau Claire Cooperative Health Centers, Inc.

Update on ASTHMA

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Asthma Collaborative

SPREAD

Asthma Teams at ECCHC

Initial Team Members

Champion Provider:
Ruby M. Albert, MD
Provider
Dan Bodison, Jr., MD
Senior Leader
Hank Gaw, COO & NP
Day to Day Leader
Beverlyann Austin, DMin.

Nurse Educators
Kris Strimpfel, CMA
IT
Heather Wood
Madonna Jackson

Sterling Sharpe Pediatric Center
Champion Providers:
Ruby Albert, MD
Dan Bodison, Jr., MD
Nurse Educator:
Kris Strimpfel, CMA
Wednesday & Thursday

Ridgeway Family Practice
Champion Provider:
Tanya C. Ross, MD
Nurse Educator:
TBA

Pediatrics of Batesburg/ Leesville
Champion Provider:
Glenn Feole, MD
Nurse Educator:
Jamie Bragg, LPN

Brookland Community Pediatrics
Champion Provider:
J. Luke Pruitt, MD
Nurse Educator:
Catherine McKay, LPN

Asthma Update Newsletter
Madonna Jackson

Collaborative Effort Spreads to Four Pediatric Sites

Asthma team members pose for a photo after one of their weekly meetings. *Left to right*: Joanne Simonini, DON; Heather Wood, IT; Dr. Beverlyann Austin, Senior Leader; Dr. Ruby Albert, 4605; Dr. Michelle Elisburg, 4605; Dr. Patricia Risinger, 120; Clintis Gregg, CSS at 120; Catherine McKay, 500; Dr. James Pruitt, 500; Hank Gaw, Senior Leader, Jennifer Criss, 4605.

ECCHC Asthma Team Participate in South Sumter Back to School Health Fair

Valencia Gray-Williams, PharmD, for Cooperative Health Pharmacy thanks Dr. Dan R. Bodison, Jr. for participating in the South Sumter Back to School Bash.

More than 192 children and adults were educated about Asthma by ECCHC's Asthma Team Members: Dr. Dan R. Bodison, Jr., and Kris Strimpfel, CMA. The health fair was sponsored by the Eta Zeta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and Wateree Community Action Agency.

In addition to the Asthma Management education, parents and children received health education in dental hygiene, and SIDS prevention. This is an annual event that our Pharmacist helps to organize for her community and Sorority that she is serving as President for.

This is just one of several ways she assists people to learn about health issues. A special thanks to Dr. Bodison, and Kris Strimpfel for volunteering their time and effort.

Senior Leader Called to Support Operation American / Iraqi Freedom

Hank Gaw has been identified to be mobilized in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Because his tour of duty will be over a year, we will miss his participation with the ECCHC's Asthma Collaborative Team.

Hank has been a team member since our acceptance in the Southeast Health Disparities Collaboratives in 2002. As the Day-to-Day Contact Person in 2002, and the Senior Leader in 2004, Hank has been a valued member and he will be greatly missed.

To all ECCHC employees to be deployed, the administration and staff wishes you a safe and speedy tour of duty. Let's keep Hank Gaw, Norman Fountain, and Jennifer Garner in our thoughts and prayers!

SE Cluster Coordinator Visits ECCHC's Asthma Team:

Left to right: Dr. Ruby Albert, Kris Strimpfel, Miranda Pascal, and William "Hank" Gaw treating the SE Coordinator to lunch after taking her on a site tour. Also at the lunch was Dr. Dan R. Bodison, and Madonna Jackson, PR Coor.

Thanks for visiting Miranda!

National Asthma Collaborative

20% Reduction in ER Visits

30% Reduction in Hospital Days

Improved Patient Self-care

Improved Patient Life Style

Regional Value

Busiest ER in the Midlands
(Lexington Med Ctr)
85,000 patient visits

Cooperative:
110,000 patient visits

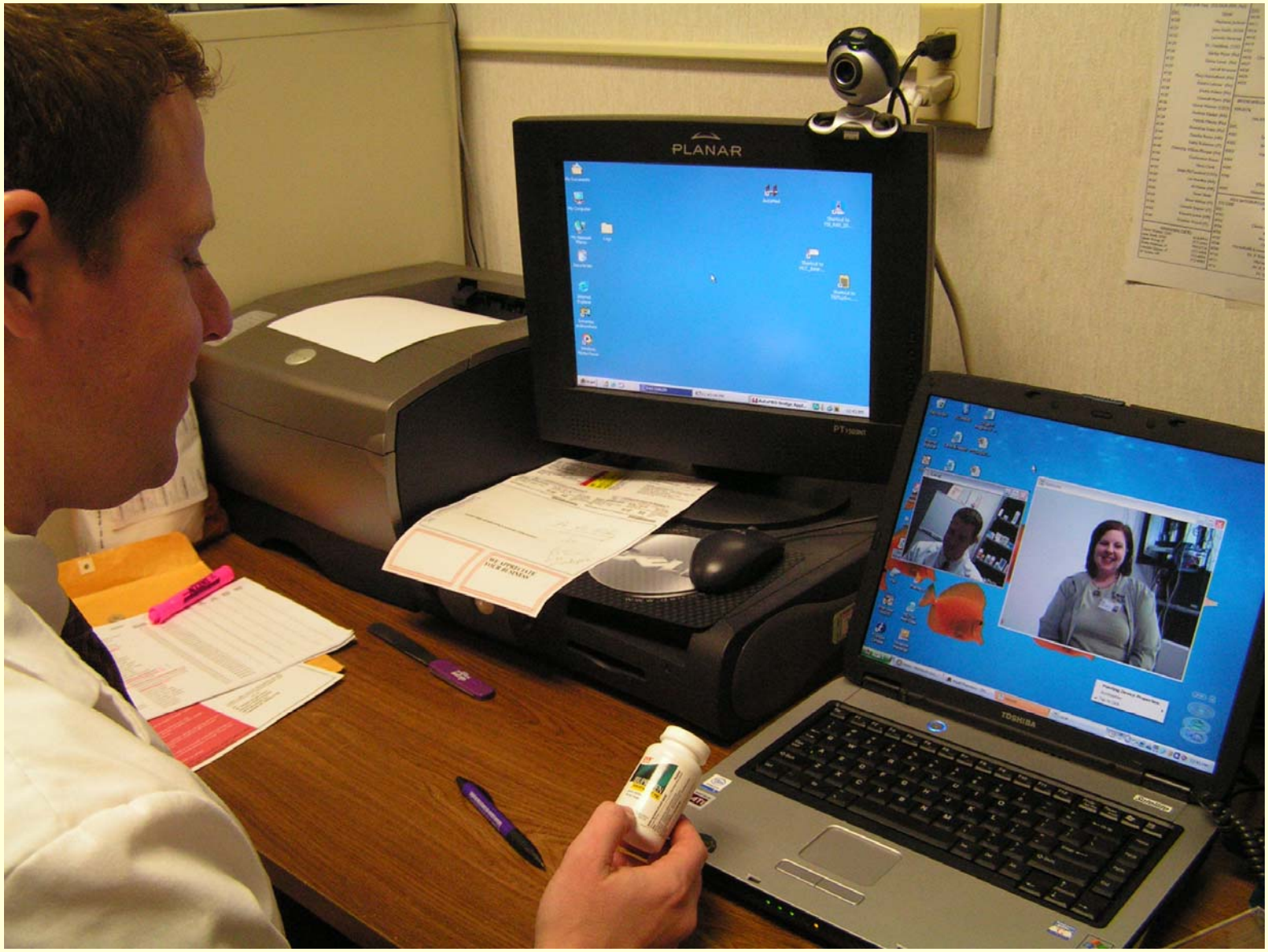
(2007 data)

Cooperative Health Pharmacy *located inside*

Sterling Sharpe Pediatric Center

4605 Monticello Road

Columbia, SC



Cooperative Telepharmacy (remote dispensing by computer command)

Family Dentistry
Ridgeway Family Practice

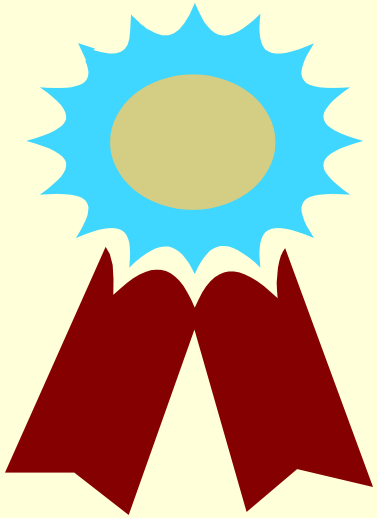
Return on Investment

- High Provider Productivity
- Very Low Reliance Upon Federal Grants
- Demonstrated Local Impact
- Innovative Health Care Team

Cooperative Voted *2005*

Community Health Center of the Year

by the South Carolina Primary Care Association



Award Winning Staff

Rising Tide of the Uninsured

Lack of affordable health insurance

- Rising health insurance premiums (family coverage: $860/mo)
- Rising deductibles and co-pays
- Few low-wage jobs offer health insurance

SC Medicaid Program policy changes

- Since 2003: 90,000 people dis-enrolled creating 90,000 uninsured patients
- (Data: SC Dept of Health and Human Services)

Surge in immigration

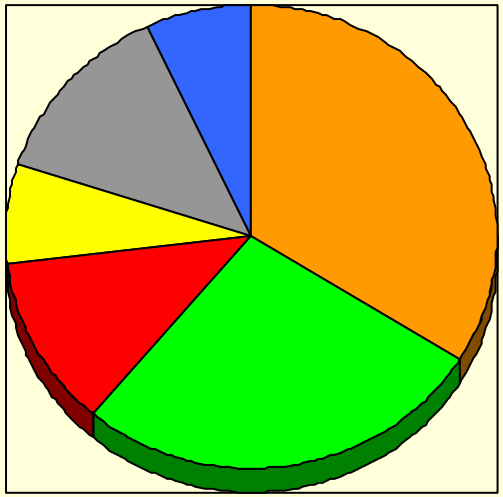
21st Century Challenges to Primary Care

- Rising Tide of the Uninsured
- Increasing Demand for Services

With

- Limited Federal Support
- Limited Local Support

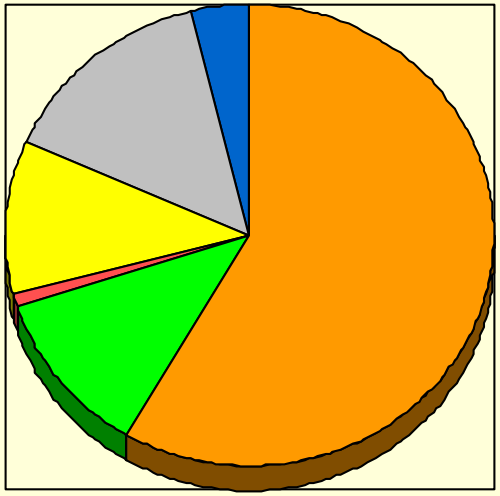
Revenue Sources and Uninsured Visits Community Health Centers



National Average

Data: Kaiser Foundation Study 2000

- Medicaid
- Federal grant
- Local Support
- Insured
- Uninsured
- Medicare



Cooperative Health Center

Data: Cooperative 2007

Keys for Strength

Community

- **Concern**
- **Ideas / Input**
- **Support**

A Healthier Generation thanks you for your support!

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