



As I approach my first year anniversary at Project Access, I continue to be humbled by the generosity of our medical community. We have nearly 640 physicians, 15 dentists, 86 pharmacies, both hospital systems, various laboratories, optometrists and many other partners that have made our first 19 years amazingly successful.

Although our 20th year anniversary will not happen until fall of 2019, we recently reached another amazing milestone: We have now surpassed \$200 million in donated care since we began in 1999. This means our medical community has provided, free of charge, \$200 million in health care to low income, uninsured residents of Sedgwick County.

That is truly remarkable and certainly cause for celebration. And we will be doing just that this fall, when we host an event to honor our medical community for all they have done for the population we serve.

Our event will be held in late October 2018 and will be the kick off for a year-long fundraising campaign that will culminate in our 20 year anniversary celebration/event to be held in late August 2019. We certainly have much to celebrate this next year and hope you will stay tuned to hear more about what is coming.

We would not be where we are without the local medical community, but also the City of Wichita, Sedgwick County, United Way, and of course our generous donors, which includes many individuals and various foundations. Words can never express our appreciation, nor can an event, but we certainly want all of you to know how much you have meant to Project Access and to the nearly 13,800 people you have helped since 1999. In many cases, you have saved lives.

As we continue planning for the coming year, we will be providing information about our events. I hope you will visit us on Facebook. We'll also share updates through our email blasts and the MSSC newsletter. We continue to need your support so that we can continue providing needed health care for the next 20 years.

I would be remiss not to also congratulate and honor our staff, who have been instrumental in achieving the milestones we will soon celebrate. Thank you for all you do!

Shelley Duncan

We did it! Because of YOU!!

As of July 23rd, 2018, more than \$200 million in health care has been donated through Project Access.



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Cathy Jo– Project Access Patient



For 10 years while living in Illinois, Cathy Jo had a full-time job with excellent health benefits. Then one day it was over.

Due to an economic downturn, the company closed. About the same time, several other area companies closed, which limited her employment opportunities. She decided to move herself, along with her mother, to Wichita to be closer to her daughter.

Cathy Jo understands the importance of working and having health insurance, as she is diabetic and the cost of her medication is over \$600 a month. She has been working part-time jobs, but finding a full-time job with benefits has been challenging. After depleting all of her savings, she now makes ends meet by dipping into her retirement savings.

Cathy Jo never imagined life would become this uncertain. She never imagined she would have to compromise her retirement in order to survive day to day. She never imagined, at age 59, she would have to use her nest egg to pay rent.

Thankfully, her primary care doctor told her about Project Access. She now receives donated office visits, and Project Access helps provide free medication through patient assistance programs.

While things are still tough for Cathy Jo, Project Access is allowing her to manage her diabetes without creating a larger financial burden to her future.



Many thanks to our most recent partners who have chosen to support the work of Project Access.

We would also like to thank the many physicians, hospitals and the network of donated care that this community provides for Project Access patients.



**George R. Tiller, MD
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Thank you to the numerous individuals who donated to Central Plains Health Care Partnership in 2018!



Project Access recently became involved with Health ICT, another affiliate of the Medical Society of Sedgwick County. Health ICT works with medical providers across Wichita and Sedgwick County to help develop and refine processes

for identifying patients at-risk for diabetes and hypertension. FREE technical assistance is available from Health ICT to any provider who is interested in learning more about how to better engage all members of the care team to address these conditions. Health ICT can even assist with developing ways for physicians to be additionally compensated for this work. Examples of past work include:

- EHR search strategies for finding patients with undiagnosed hypertension
- Integration of KaMMCO dashboards into practice
- Utilizing data from the Kansas Health Information Network (KHIN)
- Nursing/rooming protocols for chronic disease management
- Initiation of Chronic Care Management (CCM) billing and coding
- Identification of pre-diabetic patients and automation of referral into the Diabetes Prevention Program

If you are interested in learning more about the free technical assistance available through Health ICT, please contact Matt Thibault at MattThibault@med-soc.org or at 316-683-9441.



Since 1999

- 13,725 Patients Served
- \$50,489,011 Physician Contributions
- \$149,850,966 Hospital Contributions
- \$119,381 Dentist Contributions
- \$5,426,371 Purchased Medications and Durable Medical Equipment
- \$5,184,693 Donated Medications
- 28,642 Tests Utilized through the Coalition Test Project