



Volunteers in Medicine (VIM)

The Volunteers in Medicine Project for the working uninsured opened their clinic September 2003. The organization is modeled after the Volunteers in Medicine Clinic in Hilton Head and the Volunteers in Medicine Institute. The Jacksonville Clinic is a 501-c-3 not for profit organization. The clinic serves, without cost, low income working uninsured individuals and families with basic general care. To qualify for this service the family income must be within the \$13,000 to \$23,000 income levels (150% to 250% of Federal Poverty guidelines). All visits are by appointment and after a qualifying interview.

We are proud of the response from our volunteer physicians and ARNP providers (34+), the nurses (40+) and the total of over 150 volunteers who work at our clinic each month.

There are:

- Over 2600 individuals and families who receive their care at the clinic.
- There have been over 12,000 patient visits.
- There are approximately nine subspecialty clinic settings within the organization.
- There has been a steady growth of new patients (50+ a month)
- We are seeing about 400 patients per month.
- There is broad support within the community for funding.
- We have a number of specialists in the community who are now willing to accept our patients for additional care.
- We have a formal relationship with the University of North Florida to provide educational clinical rotations for student, a faculty member to serve as Clinic Director, and generous support from many other resources from the University.
- We have the generous support of Baptist Medical Center, the Mayo Clinic and the St. Vincent's Medical Center.
- The Mayo clinic provides volunteer physicians and a specialty clinic once a month.
- We have several patients who have received care at Baptist Medical Center, Mayo Clinic and St. Vincent's Hospital.
- We are providing lab work and medications without charge to a majority of our patients due to generous local support...
- There are daily instances of the special needs of our patients being met by an extra effort by our volunteers and staff to assist with their needs and concerns.

We solicit volunteers for the clinic project in all the noted areas. We will accept patients who meet our guidelines. Community support is necessary if we are to continue our mission of service to our patients. We will provide a pleasant workplace and venue for volunteers to give back to our community.

The VIM-Jax Clinic thanks our volunteers, supporters, and advocates for making this clinic a reality as a “continual gift of care and service back to our community”.

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