

## **Community Benefit Report**

FY 2011, October 2010 - September 2011

**EMHS** Mission: The mission of EMHS is to maintain and improve the health and well-being of the people of Maine through a well-organized network of local healthcare providers who together offer high quality, cost-effective services to their communities.

# EMHS System-wide Total Benefit: \$ 126,889,957

Community Health Improvement Services: \$ 6,908,633 Health Professions Education: \$1,048,006 Subsidized Health Services: \$ 28,351

Research: \$1,200,210

Financial Contributions: \$ 220,455

Community-Building Activities: \$446,028

Community Benefit Operations: \$ 2,536,582 Charity Care: \$25,644,233 Unpaid Cost of Public Programs: Medicare: \$41,621,101 Medicaid: \$42,664,900 Unrecoverable interest cost on funds used to

subsidize state Mainecare/Medicaid underpayments of \$ 73M: \$4,571,458

## Community Benefit by EMHS Non-profit Member



## Total Community Benefit: \$13,685,350

Community Impact: Acadia Hospital participated in 10 of the 11 EMHS Community Health Needs Assessment forums. Acadia staff updated their knowledge of community needs pertaining to behavioral health in the region. This has led to collaborative opportunities with providers, public health and prevention specialists - particularly in the area of drug abuse education. It has also led to ongoing conversations about how Acadia Hospital might partner with rural communities to strengthen mental health.

Community Health Improvement Services: \$ 161,659 Health Professions Education: \$203,360 Research: \$ 21,511 Community Building Activities: \$44,598 Community Benefit Operations: \$235,713

Charity Care: \$ 8,995,485 Unpaid Cost of Public Programs:

Medicare: \$3,794,427 Unrecoverable interest cost on funds used to subsidize state Mainecare/Medicaid underpayments of \$ 3.0M: \$ 228,597

\$ 272,651 is the total amount of donor funds used for community benefit at The Acadia Hospital through Acadia Hospital Healthcare Charities.



## Total Community Benefit: \$13,423,805

**Community Impact:** The Aroostook Medical Center (TAMC) is committed to restoring, maintaining, and improving the health of our friends and neighbors by collaborating with community partners to build a healthier community. In 2011, TAMC engaged local organizations and businesses to discuss the OneMaine Community Health Needs Assessment, determine the community's top health priorities, and identify ways to respond.

Community Health Improvement Services: \$ 6,047 Health Professions Education: \$18,478 Financial Contributions: \$74,862 Community Benefit Operations: \$84,892 Charity Care: \$1,228,781

Unpaid Cost of Public Programs: Medicare: \$8,864,440 Medicaid: \$2,598,952 Unrecoverable interest cost on funds used to subsidize state Mainecare/Medicaid underpayments of \$ 9.4M: \$ 547,353

\$ 131,828 is the total amount of donor funds used for community benefit at The Aroostook Medical Center through The Aroostook Medical Center Healthcare Charities.



## Total Community Benefit: \$1,684,125

**Community Impact:** Blue Hill Memorial Hospital participated in the Ellsworth Community Health Needs Assessment forum held on June 14, 2011. Several themes were consistently heard throughout the forum. One theme was the need to develop and maintain strong community partnerships that focus on local health and wellness needs. Since the June forum, Blue Hill Memorial Hospital has partnered with numerous organizations in our community to address concerns such as cancer, early childhood development, diseases associated with our aging population, and addiction. Recent partners have included (but not been limited to) Healthy Peninsula, the Jackson Laboratory, the Parker Ridge Retirement Community and area high schools. We continue to look for meaningful ways to partner with other organizations to help keep our community as healthy as possible.

Community Health Improvement Services: \$47,013 Research: \$18,020 Community-Building Activities: \$149,506 Financial Contributions: \$7,421 Community Benefit Operations: \$166,106 Charity Care: \$ 827,908 Unpaid Cost of Public Programs: Medicare: \$ 273,029 Unrecoverable interest cost on funds used to subsidize state Mainecare/Medicaid underpayments of \$ 2.0M: \$ 195,122

\$ 5,831 is the total amount of donor funds used for community benefit at Blue Hill Memorial Hospital through Blue Hill Memorial Hospital Healthcare Charities.



## Total Community Benefit: \$1,039,367

**Community Impact:** In July 2011, C.A. Dean worked in collaboration with Mayo Regional Hospital to host a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) for Piscataquis County. Topics that were discussed included access to care, substance abuse/mental health, chronic conditions and primary prevention/obesity. C.A. Dean has focused greatly on primary prevention and obesity. For example, C.A. Dean created a Summer Activity Booklet which was passed out to the younger generations in our area that listed all of the summer activities that are offered locally, contact numbers and names as well as hours and a brief description of that activity. C.A. Dean plans to do this again for next year. Our organization has been working closely with the school system to incorporate the topics that were discussed at the CHNA.

Community Health Improvement Services: \$ 9,500 Health Professions Education: \$ 11,789 Subsidized Health Services: \$1,221 Research: \$2,000 Financial Contributions: \$ 5,855 Community Benefit Activities: \$ 78,500 Community Benefit Operations: \$ 320 Charity Care: \$ 327,822 Unpaid Cost of Public Programs: Medicare: \$ 211,697 Medicaid: \$ 334,218 Unrecoverable interest cost on funds used to subsidize state Mainecare/Medicaid underpayments of \$ 0.9M: \$ 56,445

\$ 5,751 is the total amount of donor funds used for community benefit at Charles A Dean Memorial Hospital through Charles A Dean Memorial Hospital Healthcare Charities.



(data below reflects Home Office activity only)

## Total Community Benefit: \$ 6,033,506

**Community Impact:** EMHS is committed to sharing information from the OneMaine Community Health Needs Assessment throughout our service area. During May –September 2011, EMHS, with the help of local partners, organized eleven regional community forums throughout central, eastern, and northern Maine. At each regional forum, community leaders and engaged residents met to hear about the Community Health Needs Assessment, gain insights from local medical, public health, and behavioral health experts, and to discuss health improvement ideas with others in multiple break-out sessions.

Community Health Improvement Services: \$ 5,354,273 Health Professions Education: \$ 80,884 Financial Contributions: \$ 121,849 Research: \$ 146,394 Community-Building Activities: \$ 132,878 Community Benefit Operations: \$ 197,228

\$116,127 is the total amount of donor funds used for community benefit at EMHS through EMHS Healthcare Charities.

## Eastern Maine HomeCare

## Total Community Benefit: \$ 281,792

**Community Impact:** Eastern Maine HomeCare (EMHC) is committed to fighting substance abuse among the elderly. As a provider of healthcare services in the home, EMHC clinicians play a critical role in helping the elderly properly use – and then dispose of – medications once they are no longer needed. Substance abuse was a concern noted in every Community Health Needs Assessment Forum and EMHC looks forward to partnering with other healthcare leaders in our communities to further reduce substance abuse among the elderly.

Community Benefit Operations: \$ 31,500

Charity Care: \$ 10,737 Medicaid: \$ 239,555

\$ 91,490 is the total amount of donor funds used for community benefit at Eastern Maine Homecare through Eastern Maine Homecare Healthcare Charities



## Total Community Benefit: \$83,337,780

**Community Impact:** In late June, area professionals, business, and government leaders from across the greater Bangor area attended a community forum to learn about local priority health issues and how to better improve the lives of people living in Penobscot County. The reality is Penobscot County has the highest percentage of obese residents of any county in Maine. Eastern Maine Medical Center, as an annual sponsor and mentor for the Wellness Council of Maine, brings well coaching and healthy lifestyle initiatives into area organizations.

Community Health Improvement Services: \$731,851 Health Professional Education: \$732,055 Subsidized Health Services: \$22,949 Research: \$984,212 Financial Contributions: \$448 Community-Building Activities: \$11,234 Community Benefit Operations: \$1,458,000 Charity Care: \$ 12,100,419 Unpaid Cost of Public Programs: Medicare: \$ 26,341,964 Medicaid: \$ 38,027,834

Unrecoverable interest cost on funds used to subsidize state Mainecare/Medicaid underpayments of \$ 47.0M: \$ 2,926,814

\$ 2,598,199 is the total amount of donor funds used for community benefit at Eastern Maine Medical Center through Eastern Maine Medical Center Healthcare Charities.



## Total Community Benefit: \$ 5,442,631

**Community Impact:** Dozens of local professionals, business and government leaders, and concerned citizens gathered on August 30 for the Waterville area OneMaine Community Health Needs Assessment community forum to learn about local priority health issues and the steps needed to effectively address them. Childhood obesity continues to be a major public health concern in Central Maine, with reported rates of overweight or obesity for youth in grades nine through 12 at 25 percent in Kennebec and 30 percent in Somerset counties in the 2010 report. Inland recently helped create and became an official Let's Go! Kennebec dissemination partner to help address the issue and will focus efforts on the healthcare sector by assisting hospital-owned physician practices in adopting the program.

Community Health Improvement Services: \$ 56,922 Research: \$ 8,140 Financial Contributions: \$ 10,020 Community-Building Activities: \$ 77,415 Community Benefit Operations: \$ 217,918 Charity Care: \$1,031,738 Unpaid Cost of Public Programs: Medicare: \$2,087,697 Medicaid: \$1,464,341 Unrecoverable interest cost on funds used to subsidize state Mainecare/Medicaid underpayments of \$8.9M: \$488,440

\$ 99,572 is the total amount of donor funds used for community benefit at Inland Hospital through the Inland Healthcare Charities



## Total Community Benefit: \$ 113,057

**Community Impact:** Rosscare has convened a community task force to address the issue of identifying substance abuse in older adults. Community collaborators include The Acadia Hospital, Eastern Maine HomeCare, and the University of Maine Center on Aging. The task force goal is to develop and launch tools for healthcare professionals to screen for alcohol abuse in older adult populations and provide resources for community support and treatment.

Community Health Improvement Services: \$ 111,557 Community Benefit Operations: \$ 1,500

\$3,798 is the total amount of donor funds used for community benefit at Rosscare through Rosscare Healthcare Charities.



## Total Community Benefit: \$1,848,544

**Community Impact:** Sebasticook Valley Health (SVH) and Eastern Maine Healthcare Systems co-hosted a wellattended Community Needs Assessment forum in our local area on June 3, 2011. Key priorities for our region include access to care, chronic disease management, obesity prevention and substance abuse prevention. SVH has begun initiatives in several of these areas, including establishment of care managers in our local practices and the Little Beacon Project, which is designed to coordinate care of patients with chronic diseases within our region more effectively.

Community Health Improvement Services: \$429,811 Health Professions Education: \$1,440 Subsidized Health Services: \$4,181 Research: \$19,933 Community-Building Activities: \$30,077 Community Benefit Operations: \$65,225

Charity Care: \$1,121,343 Unpaid Cost of Public Programs: Medicare: \$47,847

Unrecoverable interest cost on funds used to subsidize state Mainecare/Medicaid underpayments of \$ 1.8M: \$ 128,687

## **Community Benefit Report Glossary of Terms**

*Charity Care:* The cost of care provided to uninsured, low-income patients who are not expected to pay all or part of a bill. Charity Care does not include bad debts arising from the failure to pay by patients expected to pay for such services.

*Community Benefit:* A planned, managed, organized, and measured approach to a healthcare organization's participation in meeting identified community health needs. It implies collaboration with a "community" to "benefit" its residents- particularly the poor, minorities, and other underserved groups- by improving health status and quality of life.Community benefit responds to an identified community need and meet at least one of the following criteria:

Generate a low or negative margin Health professions education Subsidized health services Research Financial contributions Community-building activities Community benefit operations Charity care Government-sponsored healthcare

*Community Benefit Operations:* Costs associated with dedicated staff, community health needs and/or assets assessment, and other costs associated with community benefit strategy and operations

*Community-Building Activities:* Includes cash, in-kind donations, and budgeted expenditures for the development of community health programs and partnerships. Enhancements include physical improvements, economic development, healthy community initiatives, partnerships, environmental improvements, and community leadership skills training.

*Community Health Services:* Activities carried out for the purpose of improving community health. They extend beyond patient care activities and are usually subsidized by the hospital

*Donor Funds:* The donor funds provided by each entity's Healthcare Charities branch are monies distributed to address recognized needs in the community. Donor funds are not included in the individual entity's total community benefit amount or the system-wide community benefit amount.

*Financial Contributions:* Includes funds and in-kind services donated to individuals and/or the community at large. In-kind services include hours donated by staff to the community while on the healthcare organization's work time, overhead expenses of space donated to not-for-profit community groups for meetings, etc., and donation of food, equipment, and supplies.

*Health Professions Education*: This category includes providing a clinical setting for undergraduate/vocational training, internships/clerkships/residencies, and residency education for physcians, nurses and medical students; funding for staff education that is linked to community services and health improvement; nursing scholarships or tuition payments for professional education to non-employees and volunteers; and a clinical setting for undergraduate training for lab and other technicians.

*Research:* Studies on healthcare delivery, unreimbursed studies on therapeutic protocols, evaluation of innovative treatments, and research papers prepared by staff professional journals

Subsidized Health Services: Costs for billed services that are subsidized by the healthcare organization. They include clinical patient care services that are provided despite a negative margin because, although they are needed in the community, other providers are unwilling to provide the services and the services would otherwise not be available to meet patient demand. Negative contribution margin departments and/or services can be categorized in the subsidized health services area.

Unpaid Costs of Public Programs: EMHS reports both Medicare, a federal government-sponsored healthcare benefit program, and MaineCare, Maine's Medicaid program. The loss for both Medicare and MaineCare is the shortfall that is created when a facility receives payments that are less than the costs incurred for caring for public program beneficiaries.

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