



Wrapping up a long, hot summer!

Hello community partners, patients, and friends!
Our third quarterly newsletter of 2019 is now complete.
Read through and click on the links to learn more.



Community health fair was a huge success

OVER 500 PEOPLE CAME FOR RESOURCES AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES

A different look TenderCare Clinic joined our third annual health fair with the Greene County Back to School Bash on July 20th. We were able to reach more students, individuals, and families by joining our health fair with the popular Back to School Bash. The event has held at Greene County High School the week before school started back.

Variety of vendors 32 different vendors gave out vital information about resources that exist in our community to help children and families improve their health and lives overall. An average of 500 people stopped by each table, which is 17 times more people compared to last year's health fair!

Essential services and screenings Our vendors offered a variety of screenings and tests, including blood glucose, blood pressure, BMI and body composition, vision, hearing, common allergens testing, and HIV testing. We also had volunteers from James' Family Hair Care giving free haircuts to get children ready for a new school year. The Back to School Bash portion of the event gave away backpacks and school supplies to 559 children in Greene County.



VISIT OUR WEBSITE



IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

We celebrated National Health Center Week in August. A special edition of our community newsletter was published to share everything we did that week- click on the link below if you missed it!

[**National Health Center Week**](#)

WALKING THROUGH 2019

The end of September was full of exercise!

On Thursday, September 26th, TenderCare Clinic participated in the Greene County Homecoming Parade. Our float was themed "Think Pink, Walk Proud" to kickoff Breast Cancer Awareness month in October. TenderCare is supporting Team Terri this year as one of our own employees is currently fighting breast cancer. Our team walked and had a float to support Terri as well as our patients with breast cancer.



L to R: Laura Ringer, Dr. Dave Ringer, Carri Thomas, Lauren Sidwell, Kevin Harris, Terri Patterson, Stephanie Myers, Debra Southerland, Alivia Ballard, Susy Benedict, Darryl Benedict, and employees' children



Our other event was the Union Point Junction Jamboree Jog. A group of employees ran, jogged, or walked the 5K, joining others in the community who support wellness and an active lifestyle! All of our participants brought home a medal!



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NEW BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SPECIALIST

Licensed Clinical Social Worker, to our provider group!



Vicki worked for Northeast Georgia Physician's Group as well as owning her own private practice before coming to TenderCare Clinic. She has practiced Integrated Behavioral Health for the last four years and is excited to continue her work at TCC. She believes the Integrated Behavioral Health model is so effective in helping patients connect quickly and confidently to a psychotherapist in their existing medical practice. Vicki has also spent the last ten years obtaining additional training in assessment and treatment of trauma. She is seeing patients at all offices, so call to make an appointment!

Contact us for an appointment



FALLS PREVENTION CLASS

Katie Kinnard, RN, and Shervicia Wingfield, LPN, visited the Greene County Senior Center to present a class on Falls Prevention! They gave helpful tips on home safety, fall hazards, prevention methods, falling techniques, and recovery. Click on the link below for a checklist to see if you are at risk for falling. You can bring it to your next appointment to discuss with your provider!

Risk of Falling Checklist



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Community outreach has been busy this summer as well! We helped with Greene County community assessment presentations, attended Family Connection meetings, conducted patient focus groups, volunteered at Motown on Main, and attended the Second Harvest Food Distribution in September with St. Mary's to pass out information on no-cost mammograms!

Learn more about Family Connection



PATIENT HEALTH

Our health center was recognized by Peach State Health Plan with a 2019 Crest Award. This award is given to practices that are PSHP Champions and meet a certain number of qualifying measures. The qualifying measures are those such as closing care gaps, risk adjustment program participation, HEDIS gap closure programs, member outreach initiatives, and other participation in programs designed for optimal patient health.

[Learn more about medical](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS



HERE TO SERVE YOU

Below are the numbers of visits & encounters we completed July-September:

Medical: 8,730 visits
Dental: 1,881 visits
Behavioral Health: 4 sessions
Patient Care Plans/Health Education: 941 visits
Travel Clinic: 4 consultations
Nursing Homes: 712 visits
Nurse (shots, labs, etc): 543 visits
Eligibility (slide, insurance): 198 visits
Pharmacy: 11,214 prescriptions filled

Our medical visits (seeing the doctor, getting patient education, or coming in for a nurse visit) were also broken down by office location for the three months:

Greensboro: 3,869 encounters
Lake Oconee: 2,848 encounters
Milledgeville: 1,231 encounters
Wellness Center: 1,340 encounters

Our health services



We are excited for the upcoming events we are participating in:

October:

- 14-18: No-Cost Mammogram Week at the hospital; uninsured women can receive free mammograms through Power of One program
- 18: Pink Out Day; table at courthouse in Greensboro to pass out information and resources
- 18: Power of One Walk Day; walk in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness and post a picture using #PowerOfOneWalk

November:

- 1: Health Fair at Greene County Library

[**Read more about October Breast Cancer Awareness events**](#)

ADVOCACY

Our advocacy efforts are full-blown right now! The community health center long term funding legislation expired on September 30th. Congress extended health center funding through November 21st, but all health centers are still in need of the long term funding to care for our patients.

TenderCare Clinic employees have been signing up as health center advocates and working hard to let Congress know that we care about our patients and our funding! We recently applied for the Bronze Level Advocacy Center of Excellence. An Advocacy Center of Excellence completes certain advocacy measures such as hosting elected officials, responding to Calls-to-Action, and participating in National Health Center Week activities.

[**Learn about Health Center Advocacy**](#)

ALWAYS AVAILABLE FOR YOU



Did you know that you can contact us after our regular business hours? If you have a problem, call our usual number! You can choose to leave a message for our medical assistant to respond to the next day or speak with our on-call staff member who can help you immediately. Of course, always go to the ER if you have a true emergency.

You are also able to get in touch with us through the website using our short and simple contact form. Your message is sent directly to us and a staff member will contact you the next day!

[**Use our website contact form**](#)

Thank you for letting us share our mission with you.

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