

Letter From Executive Director ${f J}$ IM ${f G}$ ARCIA



This was an important year for Clínica Tepeyac. Not only did we look back on and celebrate our first 20 years, but we also looked forward and made great strides toward many of Clínica's long-term goals that are already helping us better serve our patients and community.



- Providers and staff became proficient in using the new electronic health record, which is already helping us enhance individual patient care, and will allow us to analyze population health data.
- After putting the infrastructure in place, Clínica is now billing for Medicaid, CHP+, Medicare and private insurance and enrolling eligible members into these programs. This will improve Clínica's financial sustainability. Plus research shows patients with insurance seek care more regularly.
- Integration between primary care and behavioral health deepened, as the story on the third page illustrates.
- Over \$500,000 was secured to start a 900 sq. ft. expansion and significant renovation of the clinic. This will add two exam rooms (now 11 total), the first onsite counseling room, and create space for financial screenings and group visits.

Clínica has come a long way from that small house on Kalamath Street that our community members and patients helped us renovate and open. Yet, even with our growth & success, we never forget that we were founded in a house, and we share this story with new staff so that they continue Clínica's legacy of treating each patient like a guest in our home.

I am humbled to have been involved with Clinica for two decades. Our motivated patients strive to improve their health and that of their families. Our dynamic board and staff members bring meaning to our work. Amazing volunteers, donors and friends support Clinica so we can increase access for the medically underserved. Thank you for all you do!

Muchas gracias!

Need

Denver's most vulnerable residents often arrive at Clinica acutely ill, coming as a last resort after having delayed care. Between 70 to 80% lack any type of insurance. Even with expanded coverage through Obamacare, in the City and County of Denver alone there are nearly 90,000 low-income persons who are not being served by a health center.

Mission

Clinica Tepeyac provides culturally responsive health care and preventative health services to the medically underserved in metro Denver.

Vision

By 2020, Clínica is a Federally Qualified Health Center with all services under one roof, tripling the number of visits completed annually while adding dental and pharmacy. Clínica collaborates with agencies that address other social determinants of health, removing barriers like child care, transportation and education. Patient families integrate more fresh foods and exercise into their lives. These efforts combine to bring diabetes under control, reduce obesity and depression, and increase healthy births and youth. Low-income families throughout the metro Denver are experiencing greater health and wellbeing.

Values

Dignity ~ We respect the inherent dignity of each person.

Integrity ~ We value authenticity and consistency.

Quality ~ We demonstrate excellence.



Lives Behind the Numbers

Primary Care and Behavioral Health

Clínica enhanced its integration between physical and behavioral health. This is made possible with the electronic health record, which allows providers to share information and better coordinate care. Daniel's story is a perfect example of this effort.

Since 15-year-old Daniel and his family were already patients, when his school nurse suggested Daniel might be experiencing anxiety, he was quickly seen by a therapist at Clinica. After a counseling assessment, the therapist suspected there might be a medical issue at play, and an appointment was made for Daniel with a provider at the clinic. The provider concurred, scheduled an MRI, and a week after the results, Daniel had surgery at Children's Hospital to remove a tumor on his pituitary gland that had caused diabetes insipidus.

Clínica provided the follow up medical and behavioral health care for Daniel and his family to work through the physical challenges and emotional stress caused by his condition and surgery. Clinica was also able to negotiate lower rates with partners so the cost of Daniel's medications and follow-up MRIs were significantly lower.

Highlights

Population Served

4,686 unduplicated patients

13,613 patient visits, of which **813** were behavioral health

97% of patients were below 200%

of the Federal Poverty Level

65% female and 35% male

91% were ages 18-64

3% were Medicaid eligible

11,760 Health education contacts



After the MRI they found a mass in my brain in the pituitary gland. We then found out surgery had to be done to remove the tumor. My parents and I were scared but we found the support we needed at Clinica, not only physical but emotional as well. I am now on the road to recovery thanks to Clinica Tepeyac.

Daniel, age 15

Health Promotions & Education

Health Promotion contacts grew by 47% to 11,760, up from 6,222 last year. Most of this growth was in Healthy Eating (Cooking Matters classes) and Active Living (exercise activities like Zumba and boot camps). Promoting exercise and nutrition along with educating patients about their medical conditions are all part of Clínica's prevention and wellness model and helping families make healthier choices. After Clinica's Mothers' Day 5K, some of the women who trained for it asked to learn how to swim. As a result, Clínica partnered with the YMCA Program at nearby Manual H.S. to offer summer swim classes for adults and children. Over 60 adults and 20 children participated in the program.



Prenatal Outcomes better than State Average

Of the 104 births through Clínica's prenatal program, only 2% were preterm and 2% were at a low birth weight as compared to the state averages of 10.4% preterm (March of Dimes, 2013) and 8.7% low birth weight (Colorado Health Foundation, 2013). Clínica's rates improved at a time when they had stagnated in Colorado (from 2013 to 2014, both statewide rates changed by only .1%). One of the reasons for this improvement could be that 37% of prenatal patients accessed behavioral health last year.



Prenatal

Of **126 prenatal** patients

- 55% were seen in the1st trimester
- 37% accessed
 behavioral health

Of the 104 births

- 2% preterm
 birth rate
- 2% low-birth weight



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Clinical Tepeyac continues to experience financial growth.

Revenues totaled nearly \$3 million and Expenses were slightly under \$2.9 million.



