

VOLUNTEER EVENTS DONATE

A Message from our Executive Director

I am thrilled to share a remarkable achievement in the history of Centre Volunteers in Medicine – for the first time, our dental services no longer have a waitlist! This incredible milestone is a testament to the unwavering support of individuals like YOU and the dedication of our exceptional dental team.

Thanks to your generosity and the hard work of our dental professionals, new patients can now schedule dental appointments immediately upon eligibility for CVIM services.

However, our journey doesn't end here; we need YOUR continued support to ensure this positive trend continues. The demand for dental services in our community is growing rapidly, and as we strive to meet this demand, your assistance becomes even more crucial.

How can YOU make a difference? By contributing to the 2024 Richard M. Madore Dental Clinic Campaign, every dollar you donate directly supports essential dental care, transforming lives one smile at a time. Your generosity is not just an investment in oral health; it is an investment in our community's physical and emotional wellbeing.

Cheryl White

Donate NOW!

Mission Moment

UBER Grant Funded by Sostento Success Story!

Uber has made a difference for our patients who need help with transportation! One major plus has been the ability to schedule same-day rides (previously, we paid for a service that required at least 24-hour notice but would often book up several days in advance). Another great feature is that patients are texted the ride details in their preferred language since most of our riders are non-English speakers. Getting our patients to and from the specialists we refer them to is much easier. With the flexible ride option, we know they will get home safely, and they do not need to worry about the length of their appointment.



One great example of this program in action is a 14-year-old patient seen in our clinic, accompanied by his 23-year-old guardian. They are non-English speakers with no access to a vehicle. This young patient was suffering from hip pain, and because we were using Uber Health, we were able to get them from our clinic to an outside facility for an x-ray right away. The family could then use the flexible ride to get him back to school when they were done.

Did you know?

Eligibility Process

All patients complete an easy process to become eligible for care with CVIM. Our criteria include living or working in Centre County, not having access to insurance, and meeting our income guidelines of at or below 250% of the federal poverty guidelines (a number adjusted yearly).



Becoming a patient starts with a phone call or completing an online non-emergency contact form on our website. In both instances, we request some basic information to see if the person appears to be a candidate for our services. If the person is not a candidate, we try to direct them toward the next best steps to meet their needs.

If the person appears to be a candidate, a meeting will be scheduled with one of our trained eligibility volunteers to sit down, complete a packet of information, and verify income. This meeting can be done in person or by phone. If the person is eligible, new patient appointments will be scheduled. If additional information is needed, we will hold onto the application for six months so the person can gather any required documents. Eligibility meetings generally take about an hour per person. The time is adjusted to accommodate families or translation needs.

At CVIM, we always try to "get to yes." Our goal is to be able to screen people into our services rather than screening people out. We work to make our process simple, compassionate, and welcoming to all, no matter what life circumstances bring people to our doors.

Please join us in welcoming our fantastic new volunteers who bring their passion and dedication to positively impacting healthcare accessibility in our community.



Dr. Holmes Volunteer Provider



Dr. Shupp Volunteer Provider



Brooke Volunteer Translator



Michaela Work Study



Lizbeth Med Student



Lucia Volunteer Translator

Volunteer Spotlight



Ellen Houser Volunteer since 2007

Ellen has been a volunteer eligibility assistant at CVIM for 17 years! Outside of CVIM, Ellen also volunteers at Centre County PAWS where she helps shy newcomer cats feel more comfortable. Did you know that Ellen has a calligraphy talent?

Ellen's favorite quote is the last line in "The Summer Day" by Mary Oliver, which is: "Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?"



Dr. Kristie Kaufman Volunteer since 2018

Dr. Kaufman has volunteered as a Pediatrician with CVIM for five and a half years. Outside of CVIM, Kristi likes to get exercise by trail running and gravel biking.

Kristie's favorite quote is "Be messy and complicated and afraid and show up anyway." Glennon Doyle Melton

Event Information



Toss your way to victory on Saturday, May 11th at the Centre County Cornhole Classic!

Open to all ages and skill levels, this event promises a day of fun and friendly competition that will have everyone on their feet.

The tournament kicks off with a Round Robin Qualifier, setting the stage for an exciting single-elimination bracket play. Choose your level of intensity – whether you're here for the social vibes or aiming for the competitive edge, we've got two distinct levels to suit your style.

Gather your friends, family, and fellow cornhole enthusiasts for a day filled with laughter, camaraderie, and of course, some epic cornhole throws.

Register Here!

We are the beneficiary of this year's Home Expo!

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Learn more!

Join us at one of our 2024 Open House Events!

Sign Up Here!

We want to hear from YOU!

At CVIM, we greatly value your feedback and strive to enhance your overall experience with us. We invite you to participate in a 5-minute survey focused on your email preferences to achieve this.

Your insights will go a long way in helping us create a more personalized and enjoyable experience for you. We appreciate your time and commitment to making CVIM even better.

Thank you for being a valued part of our community.

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