



MAKING A DIFFERENCE

WITH THE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR GRETCHEN SMITH

After a wonderful, and at times, somewhat intimidating first few months here in Georgetown County, I am excited to have the opportunity to introduce myself to all of you wonderful Smith Medical Clinic supporters! In a very short time, I have fallen in love with both clinics and their communities. Anne Faul is without a doubt a tough act to follow. Under her guidance, a small, grassroots organization blossomed with over a decade of innovation and expansion. I hope my experience, enthusiasm, and fresh perspective will allow me to honor the legacy of the clinic, as well as its past leaders.

Smith Medical Clinic is a joyful, beautiful place where patients are treated with dignity, kindness, and respect, while at the same time receiving unparalleled health care. We are so lucky to have such compassionate providers here! The staff and volunteers at SMC go above and beyond what is required of them to create solutions to help our patients become and remain healthy.

As I write this, we are heading into yet another holiday season dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic. Over the past 18 months, Covid has at times limited our volunteer involvement, limited the number of patient appointments available, as well as limited our fundraising opportunities. Please join us in supporting our low-income, uninsured neighbors; whether it be it by donating your time, money, or your voice to spread the word about the mission of the clinic. As you read through this last newsletter of 2021, I hope you find something that sparks your passion, and encourages you to be a part of our team providing care at SMC. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have about what we have going on here at the clinic. I am excited for the opportunity to serve the community I now call home.

I can't wait to share the beauty of the Hammock Coast with my family this holiday season!

Gratefully,
Gretchen Smith
gsmith@smithfreeclinic.org



Message from the Board

Friends of Smith Medical Clinic,

We are very excited that Gretchen Smith joined our SMC team in August and has hit the ground running as she learns about our processes, people, culture, partnerships, and much more! Her strong analytical, listening and organizational skills will be real assets as we move forward together. Additionally, Gretchen's extensive experience and passion for fundraising and volunteer development will provide a tremendous opportunity for the clinic in these critical areas. As I begin to see Gretchen in action, I am even more convinced that she will be an outstanding leader who will move SMC in to an even brighter future for our uninsured neighbors and our community. We are certainly glad to have you on board, Gretchen!

Nancy Laprade

Patient Spotlight: Anthony Spinnato

Mr. Spinnato began coming to Smith Medical Clinic for health care 12 years ago. When he first started, he was extremely overweight. In addition, he had high blood pressure, and his diabetes was out of control. He began to meet with a team of providers on a regular basis at SMC that included: a general practitioner, a diabetic educator, and a dietitian, who taught him healthy lifestyle changes and eating habits. After 18 months of meeting with his team of providers, Mr. Spinnato had lost over 100 pounds, and both his diabetes and high blood pressure were under control.

However, after a while, Mr. Spinnato states that he felt “healed”, and didn’t meet with his team of providers on a regular basis like he had in the past. He just came once a year so that he could continue to get his medications. He consequently began to gain weight again, and has had a few recent health scares. He has now recommitted himself to coming back to see his team of providers regularly, and following their lifestyle change recommendations. His providers now include Dr. Mary Favaro, general practitioner; Kim Ingersoll, RN, diabetic educator; and Martha Wahl, registered dietitian. He says that he tells everyone about Smith Medical Clinic, and that how every time he has needed help, SMC has provided it for him.



**“I wouldn’t be alive with out you guys!
Thank you!”, states Mr. Spinnato.**

YOU CAN HELP PATIENTS LIKE TONY

Since 1985, people who want to have a direct impact on the quality of life in our community have supported Smith Clinic. To give you a direct link to the work of the clinic, we established Patient Partners, an annual giving program. This program has become the foundation for the clinic’s ability to provide the best medical care possible for our neighbors.

Through the Patient Partner program, a \$250 donation provides complete medical care for a patient for an entire year. As a Patient Partner, your donation will have a direct impact on people’s lives and their ability to care for themselves and their families. All patient partners are recognized on the donor wall at the clinic and in our newsletters.

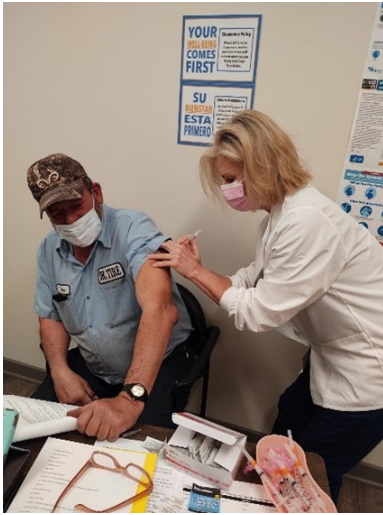
**BECOME A
Patient
Partner**

**If you haven’t already, we hope you will join Patient Partners.
You will be making a meaningful investment in the life-saving
services our community needs.**

**More information on this program is on the
enclosed donation envelope.**

Become a Patient Partner today!

COVID 19 NEWS



Georgia Beaver, RN, and patient

The Moderna Vaccine is available to ANYONE at Smith Medical Clinic in Pawleys Island!

The Moderna vaccine is a two shot, given 4 weeks apart, vaccine. As of October 25th we are also able to give the Moderna Booster. SMC have given over 700 shots since we have received them earlier this Spring.

Vaccines are available Monday through Friday 9:00am -12:00pm. No appointment or i.d. required. You do not need to be a patient of SMC to receive the vaccine or booster and they are free of charge.

Help us stop the spread of Covid 19. Come in and get your vaccine today!

After two long years, the Gala is BACK

SAVE THE DATE

Smith Medical Clinic Annual Gala

April 3rd, 2022 at Frank's

Meet the Newest Volunteer Nurses at SMC!



Hart Smith, RN, has been a nurse for almost 45 years, with the last 30 in Women's and Children's Services. She and her husband are native South Carolinians and retired to Litchfield from Florence in May. She also serves on the Board of Care House of the Pee Dee.

Shauna Shea, RN, has been a nurse for 28 years with experience in Medical ICU and Recovery Room/Pre-Op Holding. She has taken a few years off to be with her family but is excited to get back into nursing and patient care.



Sara Myers, RN, comes to us after serving as an Air Force nurse for 20 years, including two deployments to Iraq. She is married to Dr. Henry Lau, who is on the faculty of the Tideland Health Residency Program. He also volunteers Tuesday evenings at our Pawleys Island location.

Welcome all to the Smith Medical Clinic! We are glad you are here!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help us provide medical care to our most vulnerable neighbors!

Smith Medical Clinic needs the following volunteers:

Nurses, Gynecologists, Mental Health Counselors, Interpreters (fluent in English and Spanish)

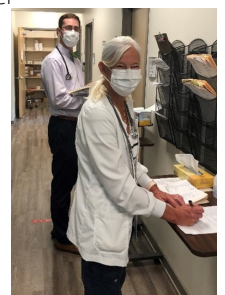
- Flexible schedule with malpractice insurance provided at no cost to you
- Fast paced and friendly environment
- On-site orientation and training
- Convenient locations in both Pawleys Island and Georgetown
- Clinic hours: Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM -12:00 PM
- Afternoon and evening clinics offered at our Pawleys Island location on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- You decide how often you would like to volunteer

For more information, please contact:

Dina Wells at dwells@smithfreeclinic.org, or 843-237-2672 x 114



Dr. Molly Baker



Dr. Lash Springs,
Lisa Smargiassi, RN

Give the gift of a medical home



Holiday Cards

While shopping for gifts this holiday season, please keep Smith Medical Clinic cards in mind. There are people on your list who may prefer a donation to a gift. This is an especially meaningful option during this time when healthcare has been impacted like no other in recent history.

Here's how it works

1. Choose friends and family on your holiday shopping list who would prefer a donation in their honor to a physical gift.
2. Select the number of cards/donation amount.
3. Give us the names and addresses where you would like the cards sent
4. SMC will send a card to your loved ones to let them know how your gift is helping neighbors in need of healthcare at this special time of year.

Your Name _____ Phone Number _____

How you would like your card signed _____

Donation Amount:

☐ \$10 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ Other _____

Holiday Card Recipients

Please send list in the following format

| First Name | Last Name | Address | City | State | Zipcode |
|------------|-----------|-------------------|----------------|-------|---------|
| Janet | Friend | 99 Baskerville Dr | Pawleys Island | SC | 29585 |

DROP OFF, MAIL, OR EMAIL YOUR LIST TO GSMITH@SMITHFREECLINIC.ORG

Suggested donation is \$10 per card and is tax deductible

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Look for an update early next year where will continue to provide Covid information, let you know more about the Gala, Palmetto Giving Day, volunteer updates, patient stories and more.

Have a safe and joyous holiday season and may 2022 bring health and happiness to us all!



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Open for all the news

**GIVING
TUESDAY**

Grassroots generosity and community action are powerful forces for good, especially in turbulent times.

Giving Tuesday is November 30th, please check our Social Media Channels for more information.

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