



MCCN NEWS

MISSION CITY COMMUNITY NETWORK - NONPROFIT COMMUNITY CLINIC

“A Community Health Network”

Mission Statement:

“To provide, advocate and model quality health care and social services for the uninsured and low-income families in the communities of Southern California.”

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A Message from The CEO/President



As we celebrate 4th of July in the “United” States of America together, and yet we are so divided in Washington and around the country as to the future of our healthcare. One of the quotes from Abraham Lincoln still holds true:

“Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power.”

Abraham Lincoln

With the recent release of projections by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), this nonpartisan organization reported 22 million fewer people having insurance by 2026 should the current Senate Bill pass. Why would this country move back seven years when we want to move our healthcare forward? Is it the “character” we are testing or actually planning to move backwards by leaving the most vulnerable population with no insurance and access to healthcare?

MCCN joined many other community clinics around the nation that visited congressional offices in Washington in March 2017, to advocate for health care and the great success of the ACA. We could demonstrate the magnitude of the effect of the ACA for MCCN as it reduced the uninsured patients from 46% to 26%.



Congressman Tony Cardenas with community leaders



Congressman Brad Sherman with community leaders and Nik Gupta, MCCN CEO and President

MCCN at the 2017 Day at the Capitol in Sacramento

Mission City Community Network President/CEO Nik Gupta and Outreach Manager Pedro Ramirez participated in the 2017 Day at the Capitol (DAC) on May 3rd in Sacramento. The Day at the Capitol is an annual event that welcomes clinicians, directors, patients and health center advocates to Sacramento to engage with legislators and legislative staff about budget and legislative priorities impacting community health centers.

CaliforniaHealth+ Advocates brings new elements to this exciting day in an effort to show their statewide strength! CaliforniaHealth+ Advocates is a California Primary Care Association (CPCA) affiliated organization created to advance the mission of community health centers. The organization provides health centers more flexibility and capacity to advocate, above and beyond what is allowed by CPCA as a charity. All of the state level advocacy work will now be conducted by CaliforniaHealth+ Advocates.

This year DAC event was a success. Community Clinic Association of Los Angeles County (CCALAC) staff and 50 representatives from 27 Members and Affiliate organizations including Mission City Community Network met with 36 Senators and Assembly members. The day started with a breakfast and general briefing where attendees participated in legislative coordination and prepared for advocacy activities. Also, in an expression of unity, attendees joined together for a group walk in the Capitol to gather for a photo on the West Steps of the Capitol.

This year’s Keynote Luncheon hosted more than 300 guests on the Capitol lawn where California Attorney General Xavier Becerra delivered his keynote speech at the Capitol marketplace.



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MCCN at 2017 National School-Based Health Alliance Convention in Long Beach

The School-Based Health Alliance, a non-profit national organization dedicated to helping school districts and health care providers invited Mission City Community Network, Inc. as one of the sponsors and exhibitors in this year's National School-Based Health Alliance Convention at the Long Beach Convention Center on June 18-21. MCCN staff Pedro Ramirez, Outreach Manager and Jorge Sajquin, Health Benefits Enrollment Program Coordinator represented MCCN in the 2-day exhibit shows. They connected with school-based health care providers (including community clinics, mental health and oral health providers) school district administrators, and others interested in expanding the health care safety net through school-based partnerships. More than 800 attendees from across the nation, including a strong showing from the California school-based health stakeholders, participated in the event.

As presented by the California School-Based Health Alliance, there are currently more than 2,300 school-based health centers in 49 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. Nearly 250 of these are in California. The convention provides direct access to a key audience of school-based health professionals interested in learning about goods and services related to child and adolescent health. Asthma, diabetes, immunizations, reproductive health, and oral health are a few of the many issues that SBHC staff addresses every day.



MCCN Staff Pedro Ramirez and Jorge Sajquin at the National School Based Health Alliance Convention in Long Beach Convention Center.

MCCN to Operate LAUSD Wellness Center in Maywood

The Los Angeles Unified School District awarded Mission City Community Network the contract to operate the Maywood Wellness Center in South Gate Region #8 School for the school year 2017-2018. Dr. Kimberly Uyeda, Director of Community Partnership and Medical Program at LAUSD Student Health and Human Services congratulated MCCN and informed Nik Gupta, MCCN President & CEO that LAUSD is confident about MCCN's commitment to serving the students and community members of Maywood. The district is looking forward to engaging in a successful and rewarding partnership with MCCN that has the interest of the students and community at its heart.

The LAUSD Wellness Centers are located at various sites and are serving the students District-wide, their families and the surrounding communities, offering health and wellness programs and services, along with primary prevention education, connection to career pathway programs and parent education across the LAUSD community.



LAUSD Wellness Center Collaborative Partners Site Visit in Maywood spearheaded by Mr. Gabriel Duran, Principal, New South Region High School #8; Nik Gupta, MCCN President/CEO; and Frances Valdez, Organizational Facilitator, LAUSD Community Partnership and Medical Programs-- together with other LAUSD staff Kim Griffin-Esperon, School Mental Health Coordinator; Claudia Valladares, Healthy Start Navigator; Kelly Bui of the LA Trust; Miriam Carmona and Sandra Quiambao, Assistant Principals; Lorena Valencia from LAUSD; and Pedro Ramirez, MCCN Outreach Manager.



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MCCN Welcomes back Chief Operations Officer, Gloria Lina



Mission City Community Network, Inc. is proud to announce the return of its Chief Operating Officer, Gloria Lina.

Ms. Lina is a seasoned executive with a wealth of Managed Care experience. She is responsible for overseeing MCCN’s twenty-one clinics located in the Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Orange Counties. The Operations Department is inclusive of Managed Care, Corporate Compliance, auditing, provider credentialing, licensing, contracts, policy and procedures and membership growth.

MCCN is proud to have Ms. Lina is an integral part of MCCN’s leadership team.

Ms. Lina is located at MCCN’s North Hills office.

MCCN Improved website

MCCN is pleased to announce its improved website: www.mccn.org. The user-friendly website features services offered, locations, current events and job openings.

<https://careers.smartrecruiters.com/MissionCityCommunityNetwork>

If you are looking for a rewarding and fulfilling job, come join Mission City Community Network, Inc.!

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MCCN – Children’s Bureau Health Fair in LA

Mission City Community Network, in partnership with the Children’s Bureau of Los Angeles, conducted a Health and Resource Fair on June 24, 2017 in Oakwood, Los Angeles, CA.

The event is in recognition of kinship/non-relative extended family members, caregivers and the children in their care. MCCN Community Clinic on Wheels provided health services and physical exams to adults and children including insurance information and enrollment for low-income and uninsured individuals. More than 300 people attended the event and 27 patients were served. Patients in need of follow-up treatment were referred to newly opened MCCN Olympic in Korea Town.

MCCN Remembers Pastor/MCCN Board Member Dr. John Lett, Sr.

Mission City Community Network, Inc. had the privilege and honor of having Dr. John Lett, Sr. as a Board Member. He served on the board over two years. His dedication, experience and insightfulness were highly regarded among his peers.

Dr. Lett passed away on April 5, 2017.

