



QHFP Fact Sheet - 2010

Program Description:

QHFP provides a healthcare safety net for the poor and uninsured through an interfaith parish nursing program that directly delivers free and low-cost health promotion and disease-prevention activities in trusted locations within the community.

QHFP provides a paid registered nurse, assisted by a community health worker, to a partner agency (free to the agency) who (1) conducts a health needs assessment of the partner organization and its community, (2) trains and coordinates volunteers from the partner agency, (3) conducts health screenings and makes/coordinates health and social service referrals, (4) provides health education to individuals, families, and groups, (5) provides crisis intervention, (6) performs case management, (7) identifies community resources and optimizes their utilization, (8) coordinates health fairs and other health events, (9) provides free or low cost children and adult immunizations, and (10) holds regular office hours for walk-in clients and makes home and hospital visits.

Services Provided Include: (1) Free consultation and individualized case management with a registered nurse; (2) health screenings for diabetes, heart disease, cancer, obesity/overweight, osteoporosis, vision, hearing, and scoliosis; (3) immunizations for flu, pneumonia, and hepatitis as well as childhood immunizations; and (4) health education.

Number of Staff: 18 FTEs

Number of Community Partners:

QHFP collaborates with 65 faith and community-based health organizations in the greater Los Angeles area. The 65 partners include 28 full partners which host a nurse once a week for 8 hours and conduct monthly onsite health events, 12 limited partners which host quarterly onsite health events, 12 food pantries which host ongoing health events, and 13 elementary schools.

2010 Statistics:

Individual Parish Nurse Visits (include office visits, home visits, hospital visits, and telephone visits): 22,923.

QHFP Community Outreach (includes all group health education, visits made by community health workers, and advertising activities): 40,058

Average Client Contacts per Month: 5,250

Number of Patients Referrals: 5,948

Osteoporosis Screenings: 1,500

Cholesterol Screenings: 925

Grant Funding/Donations: \$121,686

Total Client Contacts (sum of all nursing visits and outreach): 62,981.

Research Activities and Related Publications:

QHFP also actively participates in community-partnered research activities with UCLA, USC, RAND and other local academic and community-based organizations. QHFP is currently serving as a lead community partner on the Community Partners in Care (CPIC), an NIH-funded study led jointly by community and academic partners, designed to evaluate the efficacy of large-scale community-engagement efforts around access to quality care for depression.

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Other:

In addition to our nursing outreach, QHFP operates a school health program. The school-based preventive health program provides (1) comprehensive mandated school vision, hearing, and scoliosis screenings, (2) optional height, weight, dental, and lice screenings, (3) comprehensive health records review, (4) health education and counseling, and (5) referrals if necessary.

QHFP serves as a training ground for local nursing schools to provide a community health nursing experience.