Who We Are

The Community Health Center of Franklin County (CHCFC) is committed to serving individuals and families living in Franklin County and North Quabbin. The health center began providing medical services in 1997 in Turners Falls offering quality and affordable medical care regardless of insurance status or ability to pay.

Today, primary care, dental, and behavioral health services are offered at our clinics in downtown Greenfield and Orange. An urgent dental clinic is located on the campus of the Baystate Franklin Medical Center.

Who We Serve

Our practitioners provide care for the entire family, from newborns to elders. Most of our patients live in Franklin County or North Quabbin.

Allison van der Velden, CEO



"CHCFC is a community-focused non-profit whose mission is to provide high quality healthcare to anyone who needs it. We believe everyone should have access to healthcare — which includes feeling safe, empowered, and respected by their healthcare partners.

As a non-profit, we are governed by a Board of Directors, most of whom are patients here. The Board guides the organization by keeping us focused on our mission, creating and enhancing partnerships in the community, and ensuring responsible management of funds."



Your Health. Our Mission.

All Welcome.

Join our Board of Directors



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What We Do

Becoming a Board Member

Current Board Members

We offer many services including primary care medical, dental, behavioral health, nutrition, and community outreach.



We are committed to serving our diverse community. We participate in the Connecticut Valley Farmworker Health Program and coordinate care for our area's migrant and seasonal agricultural workers. We also have Community Health Workers who address social determinants, or non-medical factors, that impact health.

The Board of Directors oversees operations of the health center which is a private, nonprofit agency designated as a Federally Qualified Health Center. The center receives financial support from the Federal Health Resources and Services Administration.

At least 51% of Board membership must be individuals who are current health center patients. As a Board member, you have an important opportunity to guide the center in meeting the needs of your community. The Board currently meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month and members can participate via ZOOM. You can learn more about the health center by visiting:

www.chcfc.org/board-of-directors

If you are interested or have questions about membership, please contact Gail Sawosik at 978-328-7373 or sawosik@hotmail.com

Whether in the hiring of the executive, the determination of strategy, the allocation of resources, or the goal of serving the community with authenticity, the Board's leadership on diversity, inclusion, and equity matters.

Please join us in serving your community!

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