Direct Relief // strengthening the healthcare safety net



AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- → New Jersey Primary Care Association, Community Health Center Corporate Partnership Award (2013)
- → Florida Association of Community Health Centers, Community Partnership Award (2012)
- Community Clinic Association of Los Angeles County, Friend of Community Clinic Health Star Award (2010)
- → Louisiana Primary Care Association, Guardian Award (2009)
- → California Primary Care Association, Community Clinic Champion Award (2008)
- National Association of Community Health Centers, Power through Partnerships Award (2007)

DIRECT RELIEF IS OF TREMENDOUS HELP TO OUR PATIENTS. EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT OF OUR PATIENTS ARE WORKING POOR AND UNABLE TO OBTAIN MEDICATIONS. DIRECT RELIEF'S SUPPORT MAKES THE CARE OF THESE DESERVING PERSONS

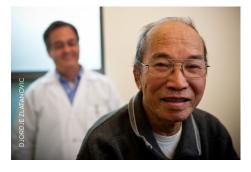
POSSIBLE." – Dr. John Hoh, Medical Director, Asian Pacific Health Care Venture, Los Angeles, CA

NEARLY 48 MILLION PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES LACK HEALTH INSURANCE.

Those without insurance have few options to receive quality, affordable health care. One essential source of care is the network of nonprofit community clinics and health centers located throughout the nation. In 2004, Direct Relief launched a program to support the medically underserved. To date, more than 1,200 health centers and clinics across the country have received donations of medicines and medical supplies valued at more than \$450 million.

AMERICA'S HEALTHCARE SAFETY NET

Health centers and clinics are key components of America's healthcare safety net. These clinics provide comprehensive, culturally competent health services to over 22 million U.S. residents every year. Over 70% of clinic patients have incomes below the federal poverty level, and 38% are uninsured.



ADDRESSING THE CHALLENGE

Health centers and clinics have told us that access to prescription medication is one of the biggest obstacles they and their uninsured patients face. In partnership with health centers, clinics and healthcare companies, Direct Relief is tackling this challenge.

We have given close to \$10 million in cash grants to partners and we make available donated medicines and medical supplies from well known healthcare companies. Our rapidly expanding programs receive these donations and in turn we are able to deliver these valuable resources to health centers and clinics caring for low-income, uninsured patients, as well as in preparation for and in response to emergencies.

Supporting the Safety Net

Direct Relief strengthens community clinics and health centers throughout the United States through three programs:

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Every month, Direct Relief distributes product offers to partner clinics informing them what medicines and medical supplies are available for distribution. Clinics order what they need for their low income, uninsured patients, and then Direct Relief ships them the requested resources at no-cost.

2. REPLENISHMENT PROGRAM: PROVIDING A RELIABLE, NO-COST SUPPLY OF MEDICATION TO CLINICS

As an alternative to typical Patient Assistance Programs (PAPs), Direct Relief has partnered with multiple healthcare manufacturers to distribute their PAP medications more effectively. The program provides free pharmaceuticals to certified clinics through a replenishment model for dispensing to qualified patients, enabling clinics to receive products on a consistent basis, through a single source, and at no cost.

3. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE: BUILDING RESOURCE CAPACITY OF CLINICS IN TIMES OF CRISIS

Direct Relief provides targeted assistance to help safety net providers respond to emergencies. Response efforts—which include distribution of pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, equipment, and cash—are swift, involve local partners, and are coordinated with other nonprofit organizations and public health authorities to ensure the most effective use of resources.

DELIVERING FREE MEDICINES TO HEALTH CENTERS DirectRelief.org/Apply



5 THINGS TO KNOW:

- → 65-years of experience delivering medical aid to organizations treating the underserved
- → Relationships with over 1,200 community clinics and health centers nationwide
- → Over 100 healthcare manufacturing and pharmaceutical distributor companies
- → Only nonprofit in the U.S. licensed to distribute pharmaceuticals in all 50 states and the District of Columbia
- → First and only U.S. nonprofit to be certified by the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy as a Verified-Accredited Wholesale Distributor (VAWD)

"DIRECT RELIEF'S DONATIONS MEAN OUR PATIENTS DON'T HAVE TO SACRIFICE OR MAKE A DECISION WHETHER TO SKIP MEALS OR BUY MEDICATIONS."

–JEAN DIEBOLT, HOPE PROJECT MEDICAL DIRECTOR, TENAHA, TEXAS

