

## **Fact Sheet**

Volunteers in Medicine (VIM) is a national nonprofit dedicated to building a network of free primary health care clinics for the uninsured and medically underserved. With a replicable model for health care delivery to America's most vulnerable populations, over the past two decades VIM has assisted in the development of 112 clinics for the uninsured. These facilities have provided expanded access to quality health care for low income people throughout the country. Today, 87 free clinics are members of the VIM Alliance and continue to follow the VIM Model. There is an enduring interest in this distinctive health care model, with more than 20 new sites in development.

The VIM Model emphasizes the use of medical professionals and community volunteers in an inclusive, welcoming environment. VIM's "Culture of Caring" recognizes the strengths of those in need and respects their dignity. VIM clinics offer their services free of charge to patients and do not bill third party payers.

Experienced VIM national office consultants guide local leaders through a proven process to ensure a sustainable, community-owned clinic. Clinics that successfully complete the consulting services and membership evaluation process are eligible to become members of the VIM Alliance.

VIM clinics provide primary care and patient education. Hypertension, diabetes, mental health issues, and obesity are the most frequently treated diseases. Specialized services include pediatrics, dentistry, ophthalmology and counseling. For every dollar invested in the VIM national office, \$85 in direct patient care provided in local communities.

In 2018, VIM clinics provided care to nearly 87,000 patients and delivered over 349,000 patient visits. More than 10,000 medical and non-medical volunteers shared their time and expertise in VIM clinics. Some VIM clinics even function as training centers for medical, dental and nursing schools.

VIM receives support from Teva Pharmaceuticals to strengthen its ability to open new clinics, increase support services to existing VIM clinics, and promote awareness. VIM also works closely with the American Academy of Family Physicians Foundation, AmeriCares, and Direct Relief to fulfill its mission.

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Indiana	Aurora • Batesville • Bloomington • Crawfordsville
Kansas	Manhattan
Maryland	Baltimore
Massachusetts	Great Barrington
Mississippi	Gautier • Meridian • Oxford
Missouri	Hannibal • Kirksville • Lake St. Louis • Manchester • St. Charles
Nebraska	Lincoln
Nevada	Las Vegas
New Jersey	Cape May Court House • Forked River • Hackensack • Red Bank
New York	Oneonta
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