



# Health Care Happenings

A Pueblo Community Health Center Update

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PCHC staff member Lynne Evetts, RN, FNP, evaluates a patient.

## New Beginnings in 2022

The last couple years have been anything but normal, yet Pueblo Community Health Center (PCHC) has continued its forward momentum and is nearly ready to begin a new era in its brand new, state-of-the-art clinic located on East 7<sup>th</sup> Street.

PCHC sincerely appreciates its staff, patients, donors, and community partners for their continued support, and remind all of those who are planning on sharing their generosity this holiday season to make sure they are giving wisely. Below are a few helpful tips to keep in mind:

- Ask for the name and registration number of the charity.
- Ask how much of the donation will go to the charity, whether the donation is tax deductible, and what charitable programs it will support.
- Be especially wary of any organization that offers to send a courier to pick up your check.
- There is no need to give on the spot—including to a telemarketer or door-to-door solicitor.
- Do not pay in cash. Donate by check made payable to the charity or use the charity's website.
- Be wary if the charity fails to provide detailed information.

If you are interested in supporting PCHC's **With You, We Can Capital Campaign**, please contact Laura Kelly at (719) 543-8718 x152, or donate online [www.pueblochc.org/give](http://www.pueblochc.org/give).

PCHC is grateful for the opportunity to provide primary health, behavioral, and dental care to those in need in our community. Your interest in our organization and mission keeps us working to improve and expand access every year. We wish you and your family a happy and healthy 2022.

## Executive Leadership Team

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## Letter from the CEO

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! I hope you had a nice holiday season, and you are entering 2022 with good health and are connected with the people, places, and possibilities that make you happy. All things considered, PCHC had a 2021 for which it can be proud.

Without a doubt, this is because of our people. We kept patients and staff safe. Patients were served when they needed us. We operated with short-staffing for most of the year, but the teamwork to make it through was there. Because of the loyalty and devotion our people have to serving others, PCHC offered a primary care home to anyone in need.



PCHC has a new place, the East Side Clinic. After breaking ground in October, 2020, the new 64,000 square foot facility was completed in November, 2021. This facility will ensure the community has access to care for decades to come and includes a new dental clinic, the only one on Pueblo's east side. I am really excited for the staff and patients who will use this space.

The possibilities in 2022 for PCHC are to be revealed, and I like how we are entering into the year. In the last half of 2021 we saw substantial new patient enrollment growth and a surge in new employees coming on board to participate in our mission to *provide primary health care to those in need*. PCHC was recognized as performing in the top 10% of all community health centers nationally last year. This seems to be a good base off of which to grow this year. Whatever growth we might experience, it will only happen if patients trust us to be their advocates so we will continue to have this idea be our "North Star".

My very best to you, I hope we will have an opportunity to visit sometime soon.

Donald Moore, CEO  
Pueblo Community Health Center

## Giving to PCHC Changes Lives

For 38 years, PCHC has served the health care needs of the people of Pueblo and Huerfano Counties, regardless of a patient's ability to pay. If you choose to contribute, it enables us to continue to offer expanded services that include primary medical, dental, behavioral health, and pharmacy. If you want to help us perpetuate our mission, we invite you to make a contribution to Pueblo Community Health Center Foundation.

All funds raised will be allocated to our Foundation for the *With You, We Can* campaign. Any donation is appreciated and no gift is too small. Your support will make a difference in the lives of the people who trust their health needs to our providers.

If you would like to learn more about naming opportunities or planning for larger gifts, please contact Laura Kelly, Chief Development and Foundation Officer at (719) 543-8718 x 152 or email [lkelly@pueblochc.org](mailto:lkelly@pueblochc.org). Thank you for caring about those in need and investing in Pueblo's east side. Gifts over \$250 are eligible for EZ Tax credits.

## Mission

Since 1983, Pueblo Community Health Center has provided primary care to those in need



## Meet Dr. Jillian Sakariason

**Years with PCHC:** I started with PCHC as a CU student intern in 2012. I then continued my education at PCHC from 2013-2014 as the first AEGD (Advanced Education in General Dentistry) resident. I relocated to Santa Fe, NM for two years, and returned to PCHC as a staff dentist in 2016.

**What you do at PCHC:** My title is Lead Dentist, a new role recently created with the departure of our Chief Dental Officer.

**Where are you from:** I was born in Akron, CO but I grew up in Aurora, CO.

**Where did you go to school?** Colorado College and University of Colorado School of Dental Medicine.

**Hobbies/Interests:** I enjoy doing crafts with my family. I also enjoy baking when I have time.

**Favorite food/restaurant:** I really miss the food and restaurants that I got to enjoy during my short time in Santa Fe, NM.

**Favorite movie:** I don't have a favorite movie, but my two favorite TV shows are Friends and Bewitched. Often at work I will reference Friends and tell the staff here, this reminds me of that episode when...

**Favorite music/band:** I'm a country music fan.

**Favorite place to vacation:** With two small children and COVID I have not had a vacation in years, but I would love to go to Alaska some day!!

**Most surprising talent:** My sister, myself and two others still hold a high school swimming record set in 2003.

**Most rewarding aspect of your job:** The greatest reward has been providing care to those who felt they had no where else to go and no options, restoring a smile to someone that had thought they would never have a smile again. Our patients are really some of the greatest people.



## Locations

(719) 543-8711

**Colorado Avenue Clinic**  
300 Colorado Avenue  
Pueblo, Colorado 81004

**Pharmacy & Administrative Services**  
(Patient Registration, Patient Accounts & Human Resources)  
110 East Routt Avenue  
Pueblo, Colorado 81004  
(719) 476-0214 (Pharmacy)

**East Side Clinic & Pharmacy**  
1301 East 7th Street  
Pueblo, Colorado 81001  
(719) 476-0220 (Pharmacy)

**O'Rourke Dental Clinic**  
2030 Lake Avenue  
Pueblo, Colorado 81004

**Avondale Clinic**  
328 Avondale Boulevard  
Avondale, Colorado 81022

**Grand Avenue Clinic**  
1008 North Grand Avenue  
Pueblo, Colorado 81003

**Centennial High School-Based Wellness Center**  
2525 Mountview Drive  
Pueblo, Colorado 81008

**Central High School-Based Wellness Center**  
216 East Orman Avenue  
Pueblo, Colorado 81004

**Chávez/Huerta K-12 Preparatory Academy School-Based Wellness Center**  
2727 West 18th Street  
Pueblo, Colorado 81003

**East High School-Based Wellness Center**  
9 MacNeil Road  
Pueblo, Colorado 81001

**Pueblo County High School-Based Wellness Center**  
1050 35th Lane  
Pueblo, Colorado 81006

**Risley International School-Based Wellness Center**  
625 Monument Avenue  
Pueblo, Colorado 81001

**Pueblo Community College The Student Health Clinic**  
900 West Orman Avenue, MT 118  
Pueblo, Colorado 81004

**Walsenburg OB Clinic**  
129 Kansas Avenue  
Walsenburg, Colorado 81089

**Administration & Foundation**  
112 East Pitkin Avenue  
Pueblo, Colorado 81004

## Enterprise Zone Donations



Make checks payable to  
**PCHC Foundation**

Include **EZ Contribution**  
and **CO Tax ID or Last 4 of SS#** in the Memo



**Gifts of \$250 and up  
Qualify for Enterprise  
Zone Tax Credits**



**In-kind gifts (stock, vehicles,  
equipment, services)  
qualify for 12.5% Credit**

## Vision

To be the primary health care provider of choice in Pueblo County by providing top quality care through accessibility, leadership and financial independence



# Pueblo Community Health Center

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Pueblo, Colorado 81004

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Pueblo Community Health Center is proud to announce that it has received multiple quality improvement awards from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA):

- 🏆 Gold Level Health Center Quality Leader
- 🏆 COVID-19 Data Reporter
- 🏆 Patient-Centered Medical Home

**The prestigious Gold Level Health Center Quality Leader award places PCHC in the top 10% among all health centers in the nation for quality performance measures.**



*Please consider  
donating to help  
Pueblo's families  
in need of  
high quality,  
affordable  
health care.*

## Amount

☐ \$25 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100

☐ \$200 ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Please qualify my gift for the Colorado Enterprise  
Zone tax credit\*

Last 4 digits of SSN/Colorado Acct Number \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Check enclosed, payable to: **PCHC Foundation • 110 E. Routt Ave. • Pueblo, CO 81004**
- ☐ Charge my credit or debit card:

Thank you for your support!

\*All sponsorships \$250+ are eligible for a  
25% Enterprise Zone tax credit.

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check payable to Pueblo Community  
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your state tax ID or the last four digits of  
your social security number.**

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**Have you remembered us in your will or trust? Please contact us to learn more  
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