

2021

REMARKABLE MOMENTS

Philanthropy Impact Report



AHN

Office of Development



Our MISSION

The Office of Development is the sole fundraising entity for Allegheny Health Network (AHN), supporting *patient-centered care*, through *donor-centered philanthropy*. We do this by collaborating with healthcare providers, patients, and the community to create a *remarkable health experience*, freeing people to be their best.

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From the Office of Development

Throughout the past year, your generosity and kindness have proven anything is possible. Allegheny Health Network (AHN) donors, volunteers, and partners continued to show support to community members, patients, programs, and research in the most remarkable ways.

With your support, AHN expanded programs addressing social determinants of health (the conditions impacting health outcomes before intervention) to ensure *everyone* in our community has access to care. You helped provide healthy meals to those with food insecurities and resources to ensure vulnerable patients and populations have access to better health outcomes.

You helped free our patients to live their best lives by funding the research needed to create medical breakthroughs and life-changing treatments. You rallied with AHN to support the vaccine clinics to ensure a healthier community, and although we couldn't meet in person for several of our signature events, you supported the programs impacting the tiniest patients in our NICUs as well as those in hospice care.

We are all working together to make an impact. Your philanthropy is changing the dynamics of healthcare, and we are so thankful.

Thank you for being part of our AHN Donor Family. We look forward to a new year of health, growth, and gratitude, together.

Sincerely,

Allison P. Quick

Chief Philanthropy Officer

2021

AHN Office of Development

Philanthropic Achievements



4,000+ donors



**100% participation in giving
from the Allegheny Health
Network, Highmark Health,
and the Highmark Inc.
Boards of Directors**



**\$200+ million in
philanthropic impact since
AHN inception in 2013**



**Total philanthropic
impact of more than
\$50 million**

**Includes distribution of funds
from the five AHN Hospital
foundations*



2,375
Beds

11

Surgical centers



**22 Regional
cancer centers**

24

**ER beds at
AHN Wexford Hospital**

5

**Health + Wellness
Pavilions**

Allegheny Health Network

2021

BY THE NUMBERS



3,000+
Physicians, residents,
and fellows



8,190
Babies born

6,200

Nurses



300+
Primary and specialty
care sites

14

Hospitals

Special DELIVERIES

For the first time in decades, a state-of-the-art labor and delivery unit is open in the North Hills at AHN Wexford Hospital.

While other community hospitals across the country were closing their labor and delivery units, Allegheny Health Network (AHN) brought a new one right to the neighborhood.

At the new [AHN Wexford](#), families like the Dischingers experience state-of-the-art amenities and attentive care as they prepare to meet their new bundle of joy.

While their son, Ford Dischinger, made his grand entrance into the world at 6:29 p.m. on September 30, 2021, AHN Wexford's labor and delivery unit marked an exciting grand opening milestone.

Ford was the first baby born at the new hospital. The Dischingers went home with several goodies thanks to AHN donors: [a year of free diapers from the Western PA Diaper Bank](#), [a luxury](#)

[suite for one Pittsburgh Pirates game in September for the first 10 years of Ford's life](#), [a Mario Lemieux autographed mini hockey stick from the Mario Lemieux Foundation](#), and [comfort items from Little Moo](#).

In addition to fully stocked AHN diaper bags, every family delivering at AHN Wexford receives celebratory gifts, including [Chick-fil-A gift cards](#) and [a birthday cake coupon from Nothing Bundt Cakes](#).

In just a few months after opening, AHN Wexford has delivered more than 280 babies.

The labor and delivery unit features six rooms, 10 postpartum suites, a private triage area, four Level II neonatal intensive care (NICU) suites, a nursery, and two operating rooms. The large patient rooms feature soothing natural light

thanks to floor-to-ceiling windows that overlook the hospital's rooftop garden.

Each room feels more like a hotel than a hospital. Other thoughtful amenities include sleeper couches, plush recliners, infant warmers, and more.

"Since its inception, we anticipated that AHN Wexford would quickly become a vital asset for the community and its people," says Allan Klapper, MD, president of AHN Wexford. "This came to be within only minutes of opening our doors in late September when we treated our first patients, and when we welcomed the first baby born shortly thereafter. Having now celebrated more than 280 birthdays at the hospital further underscores the importance of having access to important healthcare programs like labor and delivery so close to home." ♦

Thank You Donors!

These are just a few of the generous donations AHN Wexford's labor and delivery unit has received:



Onesies, meal cards, and plush cows from Chick-fil-A Wexford



NicView® camera system funded by Patricia Whigham and Lisa Peters



Birthday cake coupons from Nothing Bundt Cakes



Big Day, Big Amenities

Beyond expert care, AHN Wexford's labor and delivery unit features:

- Level II NICU
- Access to the Mario Lemieux Foundation Healing Terrace, an outdoor greenspace adjacent to Austin's Playroom and just outside the hospital's labor and delivery unit
- Austin's Playroom, the eighth of its kind located in an AHN facility and the 39th playroom established by the Mario Lemieux Foundation. Austin's Playroom provides a safe, fun, and engaging atmosphere for kids while their families focus on health, wellness, and the arrival of a new sibling.
- Modern, private rooms with sleeping accommodations for mom, baby, and partner
- A spacious waiting room for families
- Perinatal and postpartum services to help keep new moms feeling their best



Gifts from Hey Baby! 4D Ultrasound Studio and Clearview Federal Credit Unit to establish the Women and Infant Education Fund



Fun Fore All and Dairy Queen of Cranberry donated onesies, gift cards, and other celebratory gifts to the first baby of 2022



Hand sanitizer key chains from Heartland Homes

AHN Vaccine Clinics **SAVE LIVES**



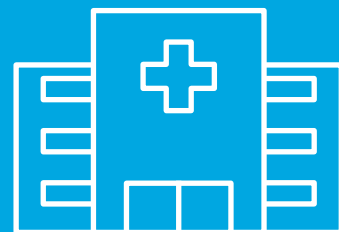
9,000+

Number of
kids vaccinated



400,000+

Number of shots in arms
(including boosters)

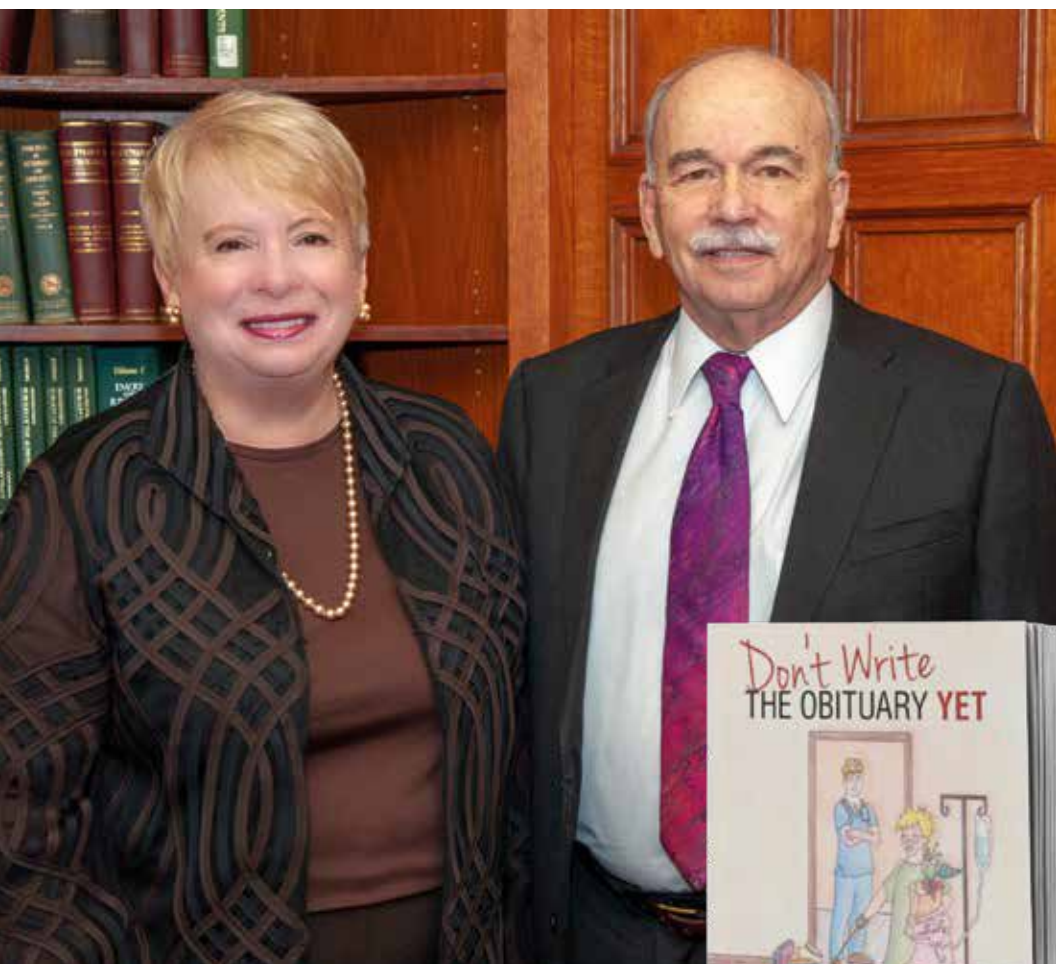


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Clinics throughout
the region promoting
equitable access



“Don’t **WRITE THE OBITUARY** *Yet”*



Cancer survivor and AHN donor Susan Evans is working toward a world without ovarian cancer.

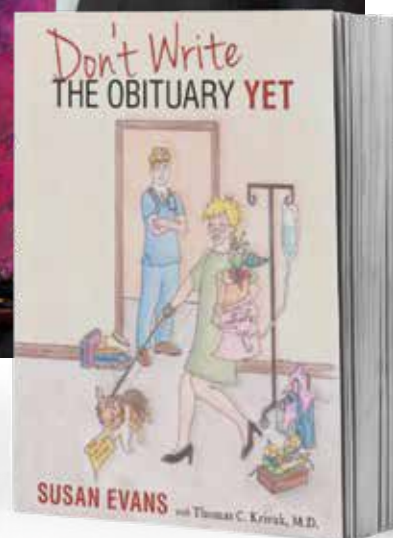
When Susan Evans went to the doctor in 2012 with a swollen ankle, she could not have known it would lead to her becoming a published author and finding her life’s passion of helping others. But first, her swollen ankle was, in fact, an indicator of something much more devastating—ovarian cancer.

“Originally, I was told the tumor they discovered was 25 pounds,” Susan says. “My primary care physician told my husband I probably had six months to live.”

When it came to where Susan wanted to receive treatment, she insisted on going home to Pittsburgh, where she knew the quality of care would be exceptional. When she met with Thomas Krivak, MD, director of the Ovarian Cancer Center of Excellence and co-chair of the Society of Gynecologic Oncology Research Institute, he shared good news: although the tumor was malignant, it was actually 2.5 pounds.

While ovarian cancer can be a devastating diagnosis, Dr. Krivak assured Susan this was treatable. Susan put her full trust in Dr. Krivak from their very first visit.

“He handed out his personal cell phone number,” she says. “I had never had a doctor do that. He had such control and confidence that made me think, ‘Well, okay, he’s going to take care of it, and I’m going to be okay.’”



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Susan not only survived her battle with cancer, which included the tumor removal and chemotherapy treatments, but she also went on to write a book with the help of Dr. Krivak about her experience. **The sales from the book, “Don’t Write the Obituary Yet,” benefit the Evans-Krivak Gynecological Cancer Research and Education Fund.** Susan and her husband established this fund in hopes that someday we may all live in a world without ovarian cancer.

While financial support is paramount in moving gynecologic oncology research forward, Susan has also realized the important role she can play in raising awareness and spreading support. As someone who knew very little about ovarian cancer before being diagnosed, Susan was most surprised that there is no test to detect this kind of cancer.

“There’s a test for everything in the world,” she says. “How can there be no test for ovarian cancer?”

So many women like Susan assume a regular Pap smear catches something like this. Susan wants people to know when ovarian cancer

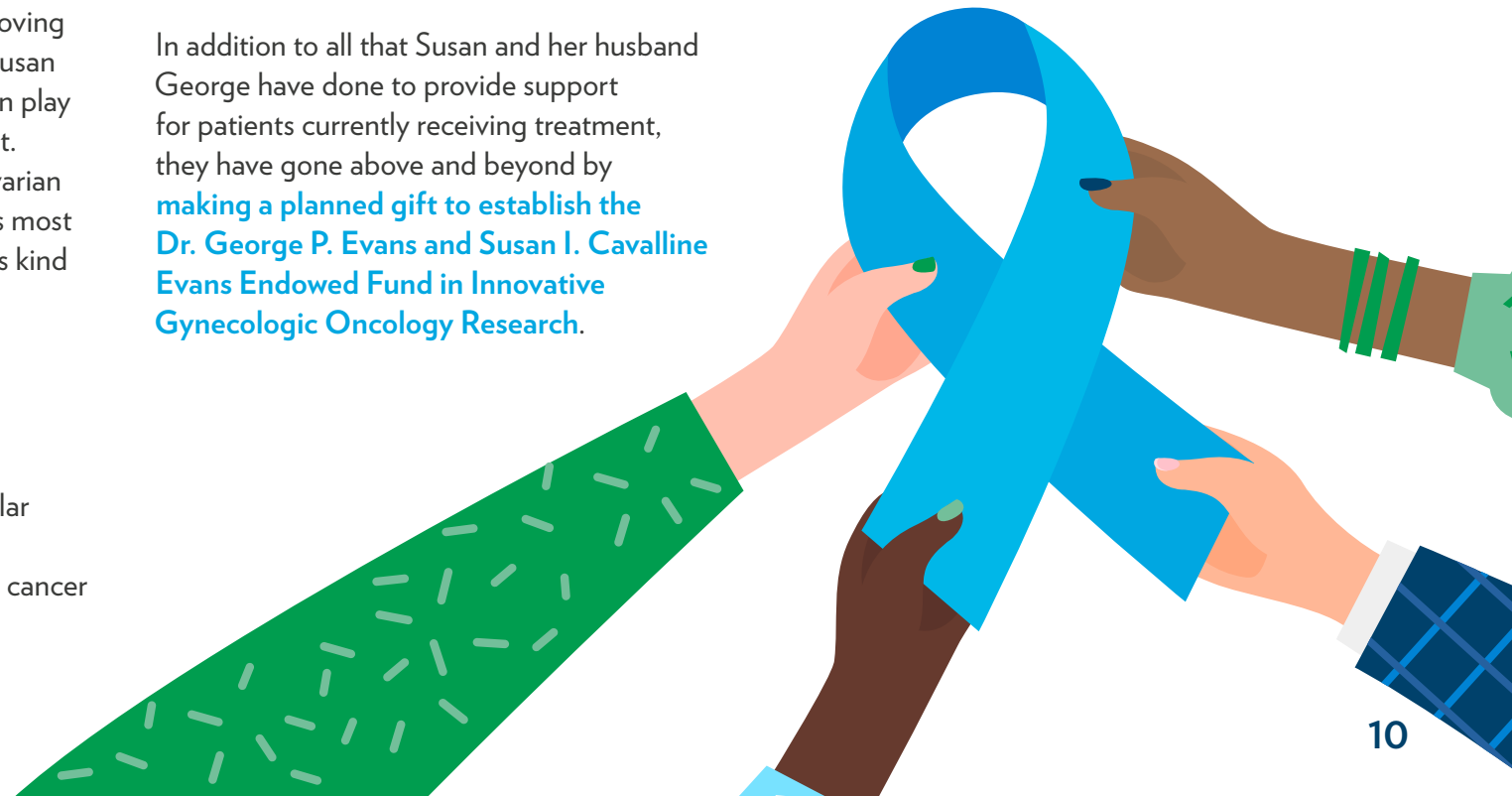
is detected, it is not a terminal diagnosis. Through individual mentoring sessions and over 150 speaking engagements, she is doing her part to potentially save lives and support those battling this disease.

“There’s nothing I can do to ‘fix’ them, but I can hold their hand and tell them stories that make them laugh,” she says. “Sometimes, it’s just a hug. Sometimes, it’s just reinforcement that the treatment they are doing is the best thing.”

In addition to all that Susan and her husband George have done to provide support for patients currently receiving treatment, they have gone above and beyond by **making a planned gift to establish the Dr. George P. Evans and Susan I. Cavalline Evans Endowed Fund in Innovative Gynecologic Oncology Research.**

This fund will support priority gynecologic oncology research aimed at developing novel treatments for patients in the future.

Interested in supporting this worthy cause but don’t know if you have enough funds to make a meaningful gift? Susan makes it very clear: “It doesn’t matter the size of your donation. Everything adds up.” We couldn’t agree more. ♦



Trauma Informed, HEALING CENTERED

AHN launches one of the country's first trauma-informed care clinics for obstetric patients.

According to studies, as many as 10 percent of women may meet the criteria for a diagnosis of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) at the time of labor and delivery. This prior history of PTSD, trauma, or chronic stress only increases their health risks and those of their babies.

“It’s estimated that nearly 1 out of 4 women has experienced some type of abuse in their lifetimes, and furthermore, up to 44 percent of women view their childbirth as traumatic,” says Margaret Larkins-Pettigrew, MD, OB/GYN clinician and AHN chief diversity, inclusion, and social justice officer. “Moreover, there is a significant disparity with Black women dying after childbirth at much higher rates. Now is the time to really look at what we as a health system can do to minimize or eliminate trauma in the obstetrics environment.”

Allegheny Health Network (AHN) has a solution. A part of the AHN Psychiatry and Behavioral Health Institute, **AHN’s Women’s Behavioral Health program launched one of the first trauma-informed care (TIC) clinics in the U.S. for obstetric patients who have experienced a previous traumatic experience.**

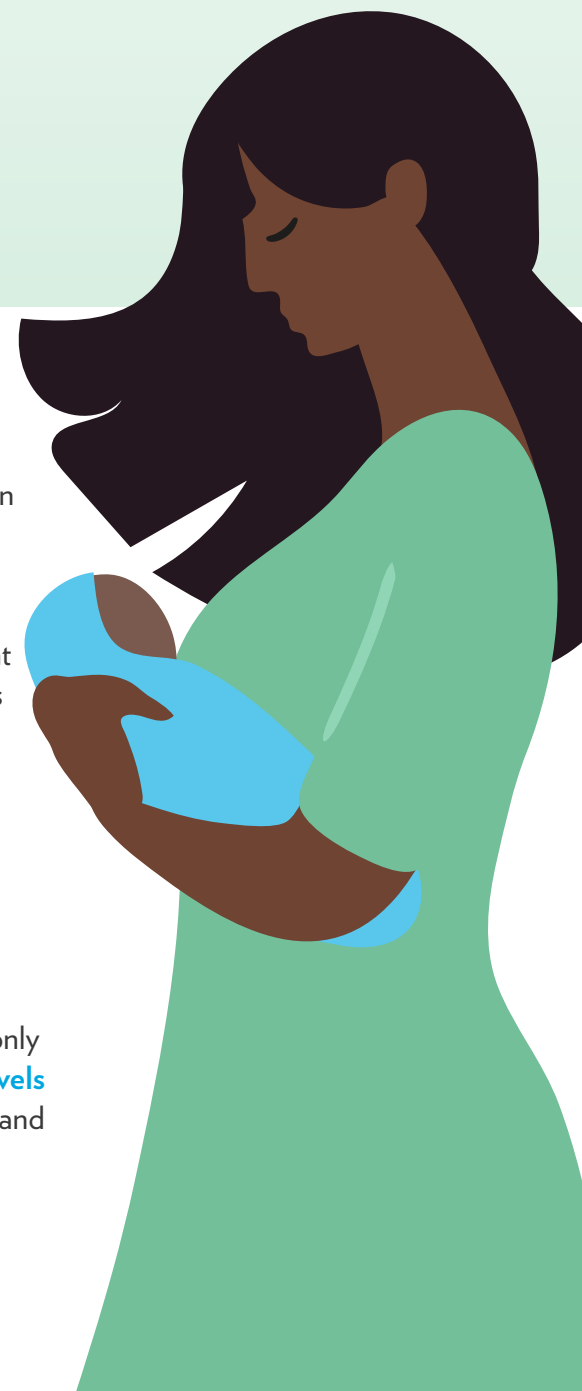
The TIC team creates optimal birthing experiences by better screening for and managing the care of women

with pre-existing traumatic stress, PTSD, or previous postpartum trauma.

Funded by Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield and Pittsburgh Foundation and led by director and physician lead Tracey Vogel, MD, the TIC is a multidisciplinary effort across the network. “The goal is to ultimately change perspectives on how we view trauma and, furthermore, how we adapt policies to best meet patient needs,” says Dr. Vogel. “For example, if a patient’s arms are immobilized during a routine c-section, it could be retraumatizing for someone with a pre-existing history of violence. That’s something we would discuss at this clinic and devise an action plan on how best to rework that experience.”

Adds Sarah Homitsky, MD, psychiatrist and medical director of AHN Women’s Behavioral Health division, “This thoughtful clinic presents the opportunity to not only **create positive birth experiences but also improve levels of engagement, trust, and comfort** between patients and the healthcare system at-large.”

The new AHN clinic is based out of **AHN West Penn Hospital** but is available across the network via virtual appointments. ♦



SURVIVORS

Turned SUPPORTERS

A family's gift supports the unique needs of people with burn injuries.

In 2020, Ashley Beener, a licensed attorney in the Harrisburg, Pa., area, graduated from Widener Commonwealth School of Law—a goal she set for herself when she was a patient at the [Allegheny Health Network \(AHN\) West Penn Burn Unit](#).

Grateful for the care that made Ashley's education possible, her family pledged a [special gift to the West Penn Burn Unit by the M.J. Miller Family Agricultural Heritage Fund](#). They hope to not only pay forward the exceptional care that Ashley received but also promote awareness of safety in the steam and vintage farm equipment hobby.

For four generations, Ashley's family has operated steam-powered antique farm equipment. During a community plowing demonstration, Ashley, then 23 and in her fourth day of law school, was operating an engine with her siblings when it exploded, throwing all three children to the ground. Her siblings were taken to AHN West Penn Hospital, but Ashley went into shock on the scene. Due to the severity of her injuries, she was flown immediately to the West Penn Burn Unit.

"I do not recall a time in my life where I felt complete loss of control, panic, fear," says her mother, Michele Miller Beener. But Michelle, a contracted AHN grant writer, knew Ashley was in good hands.

The West Penn Burn Center is the only burn center in Pennsylvania verified by the American Burn Association and the American College of Surgeons for the treatment of adults and children.

"Ashley spent at least a week in the Unit and somehow maintained her standing in law school," Michelle says. "I recall her fighting to be released to outpatient therapy, asking to attend class wrapped in bandages. She did that, graduating on time."

"As I make this gift," she says, "I do so by saying how absolutely blessed I am to have AHN in my life." ♦



Thank you for additional support of the AHN West Penn Burn Unit.

Dunkin' Joy

Thank you to the Midwest Chapter of the Dunkin' Joy in Childhood Foundation for a grant to support the [2022 West Penn Burn Camp](#). The annual camp strives to help child burn victims ages 7-17 overcome low self-esteem and isolation with fun physical and social activities. ♦

Goals for Good

In August 2021, the Pittsburgh Icemen and Pittsburgh Warthogs faced off in a charity hockey game to benefit the [AHN West Penn Burn Center Camp](#). Mario Lemieux, Sidney Crosby, Bryan Rust, and Brian Dumoulin autographed jerseys were available for auction along with baskets donated by six different departments at AHN West Penn. Thank you! ♦



Rethinking **RECOVERY**

Recovery medicine offers a new approach in treating addiction.

Communities across the U.S. are being devastated by substance abuse. In 2020 alone, overdoses throughout the country increased by a staggering 30%. While the need for care is evident, barriers to treatment remain. It is estimated that only about 10% of individuals battling addiction in the U.S. ever receive formal treatment. If you were to compare that to any other condition, such as heart disease or cancer, the result would be horrifying.

That is what Mark Fuller, MD, FACP, has set out to change with the Recovery Medicine Program at Allegheny Health Network (AHN). As the medical director for the Center of Recovery Medicine, Dr. Fuller holds a background in both internal medicine and psychiatry, which gives him incredible insight into addressing both the medical and psychological effects of substance abuse.

“I always knew how sick you could get from drugs and alcohol,” Dr. Fuller says, “...but I never knew how well you could get in recovery until I saw the transformation of some individuals through drug and alcohol programs.”

Traditionally referred to as “addiction medicine,” Dr. Fuller and his team recently made the decision to rebrand the term to “recovery medicine”—making AHN’s **the first and only Center for Recovery Medicine in the country**. Recovery medicine is the scientific and compassionate treatment of people who use substances. Ultimately, recovery is the most important aspect of what Dr. Fuller and his team do.

The change is certainly not in name only. What may seem like a simple shift in language redefines the core strategies of this work, all in an effort to make the program more welcoming and inclusive. The primary objectives of the Center are to reduce stigma surrounding addiction, engage the 90% of individuals not receiving treatment, and individualize treatment for those seeking help.

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“Different people need different things,” Dr. Fuller says. “We base our treatment around our patients’ specific needs, and I feel as if we have traditionally been slow to come to that in addiction medicine.”

The window of time where someone is open to receiving treatment is small, which is why part of this new strategy includes an aggressive outreach program. Dr. Fuller and his team are meeting people where they already are for care—literally.

“People that need us are spending a lot of time in healthcare facilities,” Dr. Fuller says. “We think that’s a great place to motivate people to seek treatment.”

Doctors can request recovery medicine consults while their patients are there seeking any other type of medical treatment. From there, Dr. Fuller can get a sense of the patient’s needs, make a diagnosis, and connect them with treatment. These are individuals that otherwise would have never received treatment for their addiction.

Since the Center understands that causes of drug and alcohol addiction are complex and interlocked with environmental factors, treatment also includes connecting patients with community-based resources needed to be successful in recovery. These resources include assistance with transportation, food insecurity, employment, or housing issues.

Inpatient consultation is currently offered at AHN Allegheny General Hospital and AHN West Penn Hospital. They also have their own outpatient treatment center on the North Side of Pittsburgh. With funding from generous donors such as the AGH Auxiliary, and fundraising initiatives supported by the AHN Office of Development, the goal is to eventually expand these services to every AHN facility to increase accessibility.

Dr. Fuller thinks it’s important to emphasize that the Center is for everyone, not just those battling addiction personally. The Center has services that support all phases of addiction, as well as families who may be affected by someone who is battling the disease. Recovery changes everything for a family living with the nightmare of addiction.

While the effects of substance use across the country continue to wreak havoc within our communities, Dr. Fuller feels grateful for the rewarding experience of seeing the transformation of so many people in their care. He has seen patients go from being dependent on heroin, homeless, and unemployed to sober, living in their own apartment, and with money in their bank account for the first time in their adult life.

Dr. Fuller and his team hope the Center for Recovery Medicine will create a model that other academic medical centers can adopt in their approach to recovery support. ♦



“Thanks to the generous support from our community partners, we can continue to expand and provide personalized care to our patients.”

Dr. Mark Fuller
Medical Director
Center of Recovery Medicine

HIGHMARK GENEROSITY

AHN is a proud member of Highmark Health. Together, we're improving the health of the communities we serve.

We're grateful to our enterprise partners Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield and the Highmark Foundation for supporting these programs, funds, and services.



HIGHMARK FOUNDATION

Moving the Needle on Health Equity Community Vaccine Clinics

An AHN collaboration with community-based partners providing targeted vaccination clinics to underserved populations

Center for Inclusion Health Rethinking Incarceration and Empowering Recovery (RIvER) Clinic

Launched in May 2021 to provide transitional healthcare services for patients released from the Allegheny County Jail; Approximately 200 individuals have been referred and more than 100 evaluated in clinic

First Steps and Beyond

Reduces the city's infant mortality rate and ensures every baby born in Allegheny County will celebrate their first birthday

White Coats for Black Professionals

Accelerates and retains appropriate representation among physicians and nurses at AHN

The Mario Lemieux Innovation and Research Fund

Supports the Department of Cardiac Electrophysiology in accelerating research efforts for atrial fibrillation

HIGHMARK BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD

AHN Signature Events

These sponsorships support AHN hospitals, research, and programs

Recovery Medicine at AHN Saint Vincent Hospital

Supports the recovery of individuals with substance use disorders

Children's Miracle Network Golf Tournament

Presenting sponsor for golf tournament providing important resources for Children's Miracle Network families

Oncology Patient Care Fund

Presenting sponsor for 2021 Oncology Care Golf Tournament supporting oncology care at AHN Saint Vincent

Children's Miracle Network Radiothon

Supports pediatric care at AHN Saint Vincent and Children's Miracle Network, helping children continue to heal and thrive

AHN Saint Vincent Project S.N.A.P.

Supports a mosaic mural and care for members throughout the community

Healthy Food Center's Health on the Go Summer Backpack Program

Distributed 4,253 healthy snack bags to school-age children and seniors over the summer months and 550 bags to Urban Health Street Medicine

AHN Wexford Hospital Community Response Unit

Provides an Advance Life Support clinician to local EMS agencies in the northern suburbs of Pittsburgh

Trauma-Informed Care Clinic for High-Risk Obstetric Patients

Supports the development of a birth plan for women who have experienced previous trauma

Behavioral Health Services for Underserved School Communities

Develops a best-in-class behavioral health service delivery model

Healthy Food Center at AHN Forbes Hospital

Provides nutrition access for patients that are food insecure

AHN Street Medicine

Supports healthcare services for individuals experiencing homelessness; over 1,200 patient encounters have occurred since April 2021

Cancer Genomics Insight Fund

Supports the advancement of cancer screening programs

What's Next: Stepping Up Our Investment in Women's Health and Advocacy Conference

Supports the AHN Women's Behavioral Health Institute Conference

Updates in Vascular and Cardiac Surgery Exhibit

Supports the AHN Vascular and Cardiac Surgery Conference



HERO HIGHLIGHTS

Many community members have answered our call to “be a hero now.” Here are a few worth celebrating this year.

Be A Hero Now

Tea for Two

The Friendship Committee celebrated an afternoon of fancy teas, sandwiches, and scones last October, all in support of Allegheny Health Network (AHN). Proceeds from the **Friendship Tea event supported the Beads of Courage Program, which encourages kids in burn recovery at AHN West Penn Burn Center.** Beads are symbols of strength, courage, honor, and resilience. Each bead given to a young patient symbolizes the courage and perseverance through their treatment journey. The arts-in-medicine program was first initiated by AHN West Penn Burn Center’s Child Life Specialist Beth Moneck.

The Friendship Committee is a volunteer, nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting AHN West Penn Hospital patients, families, visitors, and staff. Since its founding in 1914, the Friendship Committee, originally known as the Women’s Committee, has raised millions of dollars for AHN West Penn through various fundraising activities. We thank them graciously for their commitment and legacy of giving at AHN. ♦



Knits of Love

As a last wish before her passing, a generous local Wexford grandmother requested that her handknitted hats and booties be donated to the tiniest patients at AHN Wexford Hospital. The parents and AHN Wexford team are so grateful. ♦

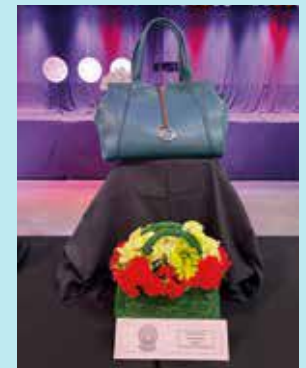


Riding for a Reason

Through their 12th Annual Breast Cancer Awareness and Research Bike Run, the Union Ironworkers Motorcycle Club **raised funds for the AHN Cancer Institute**. AHN Medical Oncologist Christie Hilton, DO, and Breast Surgeon Janette Gomez, DO, spoke during the event. All money raised stays in the Pittsburgh area. ♦

Fun, Fashion, and Fundraising

In October, the AHN **Allegheny General Hospital Auxiliary** brought the **Bags and Bucks Purse/Cash Bash** to Rivers Casino in Pittsburgh. The fundraising event **supports the Center for Recovery Medicine at AHN Allegheny General**. The Center's recovery medicine program treats individuals with substance use disorders in an environment that fosters care and recovery without stigma, judgment, and other barriers. The grand prize of the night was a Versace satchel with \$500 cash. Thank you to our many generous sponsors, including platinum underwriting sponsor Highmark Foundation. ♦



CORPORATE COLLABORATIONS

We are so grateful for the support of our corporate partners, who are committed to helping patients, strengthening services, and building stronger, healthier communities.

PNC Cares for Our Community

Our friends at PNC are always looking for ways to give back to their community. In lieu of sponsoring the AHN Gala in 2021, which was canceled during the pandemic, they found other outlets for their generosity. With a generous gift to help those experiencing food insecurity, they named the Allegheny Health Network (AHN) West Penn Hospital Healthy Food Center. Additionally, PNC's sponsorship of our one-of-a-kind Project S.N.A.P. art mural will leave a legacy at AHN Saint Vincent Hospital while providing resources needed for AHN patients, families, and more. ♦



Northwest Bank Courtesy Carts Aid Patients During Treatment

The Courtesy Corner Program at the AHN West Penn Cancer Institute, AHN Allegheny General Academic Center, and AHN Wexford Cancer Institute continue to see great success, thanks in large part to donations from Northwest Bank. Their gifts helped to purchase routine items on the cart, such as crossword puzzles, notebooks and pens, lip balm, and more, plus heart and pink ribbon themed supplies during Breast Cancer Awareness Month and holiday items like fleece blankets, socks, winter beanies, and more. With Northwest Bank's thoughtful gifts, cancer patients may find welcomed distractions and classic comforts during their time at AHN. ♦



Gannon University: Partners with a Purpose

AHN Saint Vincent is grateful for the continued partnership of Gannon University. Annually, Gannon helps make an impact on the health of the Erie community by supporting signature AHN events and campaigns. In addition to supporting these initiatives, AHN Saint Vincent is proud to have a presence in Gannon's student health clinic and sports medicine and relies on Gannon's student rotations at the hospital. ♦





84 Lumber Celebrates “24 Days of Giving”

Inspired by the idea of an advent calendar, 84 Lumber supported AHN in December 2021 with their “24 Days of Giving” charity event. On one of their days of giving (December 17), 84 Lumber paid for all the parking in the James Street Garage for the day. Signs were posted at all parking machines and by the elevators to the garage. We’re grateful to 84 Lumber for giving so generously to AHN patients and families visiting the hospital during the holiday season. ♦



Pizza Hut, Plyler Entry Systems, and Tendto Credit Union Support Children’s Miracle Network

Children’s Miracle Network at AHN Saint Vincent greatly appreciates the support of corporate sponsors like Pizza Hut, Plyler Entry Systems, and Tendto Credit Union to help further their mission of bringing healing and happiness to kids in the Erie community. All three were sponsors of last December’s Radiothon event, while Plyler Entry Systems and Pizza Hut graciously partnered with AHN Saint Vincent to support Festival of Trees. Plyler Entry Systems, led by Children’s Miracle Network family the Plylers (featured in the Spring/Summer ’21 All for Good newsletter), also supported the Children’s Miracle Network Golf Tournament in May 2021. Additionally, Tendto Credit Union has participated in an annual Children’s Miracle Network fundraising campaign for credit unions. By contributing to Children’s Miracle Network at AHN Saint Vincent, they’ve touched the lives of AHN’s tiniest patients and their families. ♦



FOUNDATION PARTNERSHIPS

Our foundation partners are more than financial stakeholders. They offer a view into community work, support advocacy and policy improvements, and create synergies between Allegheny Health Network (AHN) and nonprofits in the community.

Jefferson Regional Foundation Supports White Coats for Diverse Professionals in Allied Health

AHN has continued to make equitable health, social justice, and diversity, equity, and inclusion primary strategic goals in the coming years. It's foundation partners like Jefferson Regional Foundation that help us to represent and serve diverse populations in our community.

Jefferson Regional Foundation provided a \$73,000 grant to AHN Jefferson Hospital for White Coats for Diverse Professionals in Allied Health. The program is an integral part of ongoing efforts to analyze and reduce racial disparities in the healthcare workforce and recruit those underrepresented in medicine, with the goal of doubling the diversity of AHN's workforce by 2025.

The grant allows AHN Jefferson to collaborate with local allied health training partners to engage in creative recruitment efforts, identify barriers to employment in healthcare, support educational models and training tracks, and implement streamlined HR practices. With these funds, AHN will be able to develop a formal and consistent onboarding, assign a designated mentor to each student, and prioritize guidance, counseling, and support for those underrepresented in allied health careers. To kick-off the effort, AHN Jefferson will partner with the Community College of Allegheny County to deliver a comprehensive allied health training and mentorship program bringing educational opportunity and employment to diverse junior and senior student populations.

"Jefferson Regional Foundation's valued support helps AHN Jefferson continue to improve and transform the delivery of a diverse and inclusive culture in healthcare," says Chong Park, MD, cardiothoracic surgeon and president at AHN Jefferson. "We value their continued partnership and look forward to a successful program." ♦

Jefferson
Regional
Foundation



"We know that social determinants, such as access to trusted providers who represent the local community, have a tremendous impact on addressing the health disparities which exist across neighboring communities in our own area. Jefferson Regional Foundation is pleased to support this creative initiative which connects local students with a variety of health workforce opportunities and addresses several of our grant-making priorities, including diversity, equity and inclusion, workforce and economic opportunity, and health and wellness."

Mary Phan-Gruber
CEO of Jefferson Regional Foundation

The Heinz Endowments Impact Racial Disparities and Reduce Infant Mortality

The Heinz Endowments teamed up with Highmark Foundation and the AHN Equitable Health Institute to address social determinants of health for local mothers and infants. The investment of these resources will **expand the First Steps and Beyond Program**, designed to decrease Black infant mortality rates, reduce preterm birth rates, and increase knowledge about safe sleep. These funds will support a critical mission to see that all **babies born in Allegheny County will celebrate their first birthday.** ♦

Joe Beretta Foundation Gives from the Heart

The Joe Beretta Foundation spread holiday cheer to heart patients. They joined the AHN Cardiovascular Institute to **deliver gifts and good tidings to cardiac patients hospitalized over the holidays last year.** Filled with comfort items, each bag went to a patient undergoing lifesaving treatment for heart failure. Thank you, Joe Beretta Foundation, for making the holidays a little brighter for AHN patients. ♦

The Grable Foundation Transforms School Culture with Chill Project Support

The Chill Project by AHN and the Psychiatry and Behavioral Health Institute received a grant from The Grable Foundation to create a synergistic model in Clairton School District driving behavioral health access, education, supportive services, and reduction in stigma for students, educators, and caregivers. Their generous donation helps AHN continue to **meet the needs of those underserved students experiencing significant mental health issues** and to deliver improvements in student resilience, staff and parent well-being, and mindful awareness of better decision-making. ♦

Roy A. Hunt Foundation Supports Greener, Healthier Community

Grant funds from the Roy A. Hunt Foundation will help AHN reimagine a portion of the campus at AHN Suburban General as a community greenspace and urban farming site. AHN is collaborating with Northgate School District and other community partners to create an ecosystem that **supports innovative health and science programming** with students and teachers. The funds support construction of a greenhouse, which will serve as a key component of the future experiential learning and horticulture space. The generosity of the Roy A. Hunt Foundation makes it possible for AHN to collaborate with community organizations to create a **novel and self-sustaining approach to food distribution, education, and ultimately economic development.** ♦

Your philanthropic donations have the power to impact every patient, every staff person, and every community member impacted by AHN.



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Fore a Good **CAUSE**

AHN golf events raise funds to help individuals across the region live healthier lives.



Several times throughout the year generous supporters take to the links to support initiatives that help Allegheny Health Network (AHN) deliver personalized and comprehensive care close to home. Here are a few highlights from last year's events.

The **2021 AHN Golf Classic** supports initiatives across the network. More than 300 golfers and 75 company sponsors participated in last year's event held in July. Thank you to all of 2021's generous sponsors for making the event possible.

With support from our sponsors, guests, and nearly 160 golfers, the **2021 Allegheny Chapman Golf Outing and Concert** featuring Michael Franti and Spearhead raised much-needed funds for ovarian

cancer research. Julie and Michael McMullen hosted the sixth annual event as an appreciation to the team of doctors who supported Julie during her ovarian cancer diagnosis 15 years ago. Julie is now cancer-free and the mother to three amazing children! A special thank you to all event sponsors.

The **2021 Oncology Care Golf Tournament** supported oncology patient care. Sixty golfers and guests attended, with 24 sponsors supporting the cause. Together, they helped to support cancer care, clinical research trials, oncology patient support, and more. Thanks to these gifts, oncology patients receive transportation, wigs, turbans, head scarves, nutrition, support groups, and other crucial services. **We couldn't have done it without you! ♦**



MIRACLES

Happen

Children's Miracle Network Radiothon supports AHN's tiniest patients.



Children's Miracle Network at AHN Saint Vincent Hospital continues to impact sick children and their families in our community. Last December, listeners tuned into HAPPI 927 for the **2021 Children's Miracle Network Radiothon**. The radiothon included survivor stories from families who experienced exceptional care at AHN Saint Vincent, while callers could donate online or by text. The special event supported pediatric care at AHN Saint Vincent, helping children continue to thrive. ♦



A Celebration of the

SEASON

Guests enjoyed the sights and sounds of the season at Festival of Trees.

Nearly 10,000 guests began the holidays with a little magic last year. The **37th Annual Festival of Trees** included more than 80 professionally decorated trees, live reindeer, live local entertainment, holiday displays and rooms from Santa's Castle, vendors, a teddy bear clinic where families could have a stuffed toy examined by AHN Saint Vincent's team of teddy bear specialists, and more. All proceeds supported programs at AHN Saint Vincent. A special thank you to our sponsors and everyone who bid on trees or donated to AHN Saint Vincent. ♦



SAVE *the* DATE

UPCOMING EVENTS



AHN Saint Vincent Gala

Saturday, May 21, 2022

Ambassador Banquet and Conference Center



AHN Golf Classic

Monday, July 25, 2022

Fox Chapel Golf Club, Pittsburgh Field Club,
and Sewickley Heights Golf Club



AHN Saint Vincent Golf Classic

Monday, August 15, 2022

Kahkwa Club



AHN Gala

Friday, October 7, 2022

David L. Lawrence Convention Center



AHN Saint Vincent Festival of Trees

November 25-27, 2022

Bayfront Convention Center

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