

Presents:

# Giggles 'n' GUAC

Serving North Iowa Since  
**2018**



Community Health Center of Mason City presents Giggles 'n' Guac, our Third Annual fundraiser, taking place on Saturday, April 12th at 6 PM at the Best Western in Clear Lake.

This year, funds raised will support our efforts to enhance healthcare access by purchasing a Cepheid PCR machine. This innovative technology allows us to perform rapid tests for Flu, COVID-19, and RSV with just one swab, making the process faster and less invasive—especially for children. Results are available in just 36 minutes, and the test is covered by most major insurance as well as Medicare, Medicaid, and is available to those on our sliding fee scale, ensuring it is accessible to all. Your generosity will help bring this essential resource to our community, providing faster and more accurate results and ultimately improving health outcomes for individuals of all ages and backgrounds.

As a non-profit organization, we offer comprehensive medical, dental, and behavioral health services to all patients, regardless of insurance status, and provide a sliding fee scale for those who qualify.



## Back-to-School Block Party

Each year in August during National Health Center Week we hold a Back-to-School block party. This event is free and open to the public. During the block party children heading back to school can receive free well child checks, dental exams, immunizations, and sports physicals. The afternoon/evening also includes a free meal, activities for the kids, as well as information for the families. We partner with many local organizations including United Way of North Central Iowa in Cerro Gordo County. Local businesses and organizations can get involved by having a table at the event or by donating goods, services or money to off-set the expense of the meal and activities.

## Make it OK - Mental Health Walk

Make it Ok day is an initiative of Iowa's Healthiest State. Each year in May we partner with local organizations to plan a lunch-time walk to bring awareness to mental health and help eliminate the stigma. The walk is held in partnership with the Mason City Workforce Committee at Central Park in Mason. This event includes resources from CHC and other area local organizations on mental health.

## Giving Tuesday

We hold an online fundraiser each year on Giving Tuesday which is the Tuesday after Thanksgiving. Funds raised through this initiative go to assisting patients with co-pays, bus tokens, and other needs that prevent them from getting needed health care.

## Hours of Operation

### Medical:

Monday - Friday 8:00am to 5:00pm

### Dental:

Monday - Thursday 8:00am to 5:00pm

Friday 8:00am to 3:00pm

### Behavioral Health:

Monday - Friday 8:00am to 5:30pm



**\$500**

Can provide **12.5** dental exams for patients on a sliding fee scale.



**\$1,500**

Could give **3** patients their smiles back by covering the cost of dentures.



**\$100**

Would provide **5** Medical or Behavioral Health visits for patients on our sliding fee scale.



**12,705\*** PATIENTS

*Experienced our care*

\*Fort Dodge, Mason City, Dayton, Eagle Grove, & Clarion Combined in 2023'

**12,705** patients accounted for **43,537** visits across all locations and departments.

Source: Iowa Primary Care Association, InConcertCare and Iowa Health+ Impact Report September 2024



**Cepheid PCR**

This year on top of our usual services and clinic needs, we will be putting the funds raised towards the purchase of an Cepheid PCR machine. This innovative technology allows us to perform rapid tests for Flu, COVID-19, and RSV with just one swab, making the process faster and less invasive—especially for children. Results are available in just 36 minutes, and the test is covered by Medicare, Medicaid, and is available to those on our sliding fee scale, ensuring it is accessible to all. This initiative will also provide valuable support to nursing home staff and others who require frequent testing.



**15,052**

Medical Visits



**15,497**

Dental Visits



**12,988**

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