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Summer 2014



Tenth Annual MOBILE HEALTH CLINICS FORUM

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September 20 - 23, 2014

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MHCA Announces New Executive Director Elizabeth Wallace



Elizabeth Wallace, MD, is the new Executive Director of the Mobile Health Clinics Association. She has over 20 years of experience in the healthcare industry, including serving as the Executive Director of the Mobile Health Clinics Association for the past five years. Dr. Wallace is a board-certified family medicine physician and has a strong background in community health and public health. She is currently completing her residency in family medicine at the University of South Florida. Dr. Wallace is a member of the American Medical Association, the American Academy on Physician and Patient, and the American College of Physicians. She is also a past president of the Florida Academy of Family Physicians. Dr. Wallace is a dedicated leader and a strong advocate for the underserved populations in our community.

Dr. Wallace will be joining the Mobile Health Clinics Association in September 2014. She will be responsible for the overall management and strategic direction of the organization. She will also be responsible for the development and implementation of the organization's mission and vision. Dr. Wallace is a highly motivated and results-oriented professional who is committed to providing the highest quality of care to our members and the community.

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Regional Coalitions



Attendees of the recent GA Coalition meeting hosted by Family Health Centers of Georgia

2014 Spring Coalition Meetings

**"Great information and fellowship,
good food and fun!"**

Over 250 people from 125 organizations participated in the annual Regional Coalition meetings held in 10 locations around the country! Plan to join your local coalition this September at the Annual Forum in Savannah. If you are interested in starting a coalition in your area

~ [click here](#).



Michele Wascomb, Gordon Grubbs & Joe Wascomb attended the Texas Regional Meeting in March



San Mateo Medical Center Parking Pad

Attendees at the Northern California Regional meeting toured the **San Mateo Medical Center** Mobile Dental Clinic parking pad which is used to park the mobile unit and serve as a clinic location. ADI Mobile Health and an architect were consulted to design the area and meet structural compliance. The area is handicap accessible, has running water, a water disposal system and an electrical charging

Mobile Health Clinics ON THE MOVE

Board of Directors

George Hayes (Scripps Health, LaJolla CA), one of the founding members of MHCA, has retired from the board. Joining the board is **Michele Riggsby Pauley, RN**, Program Director of Coach for Kids & Their Families at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles. Also, **Madge Vasquez, MPAff**, Director of Dental Operations at St. David's Foundation in Austin, TX has assumed the role as chair of the board. **Anthony Vavasis, MD**, prior board chair, will remain on the board as immediate past-chair. For the full board, go to **About Us** on the MHCA website home page.



Website Views

With the expansion of **Regional Coalitions**, active Special Interest Groups (SIGS) and more, it is no wonder the association website averages almost 2,500 viewers per month! As a member, be sure to take advantage of the home page **Search** function and the **Members Only** section.

Website Updates

The current issue of **National Geographics** reports on a (mobile) medical train serving the most far Eastern regions of Siberia. To read the full story, go to **news alerts!** on the MHCA website home page.

Make sure to frequently visit the MHCA website for mobile healthcare information locally and around the world!

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Mobile Clinics Changing Lives

Olga Carillo ~ one woman's story

station. The mobile clinic sees patients two days/week on the pad and travels to other locations three days/week.

Mobile Clinics Making Headlines



Arrowhead Regional Medical Center

The **San Bernardino Sun** (CA) recently featured an article on **Arrowhead Regional Medical Center's** 40-foot Mobile Medical Clinic. The unit features two private exam rooms and a health education area. Most patients don't speak English, don't have health insurance, and haven't seen a doctor in years. For the full article, [click here](#).

EyeCare4Kids

People magazine featured Joseph Carbone (Midvale, UT) from **EyeCare4Kids** as a "Hero Among Us". Their mobile clinic has provided free exams and glasses for over 75,000 children! For the full article, [click here](#).

Vision to Learn

The **San Francisco Chronicle** highlighted Los Angeles-based **Vision to Learn** and its mobile optometry clinic. The unit provides free eye exams and glasses to low-income children throughout California. For the full article, [click here](#).

Has their been a news story published recently about your mobile clinic?

Send the link to

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MHCA Members Needed To...

Start a Special Interest Group (SIG)
(i.e. Children's Health, Dentistry or Telehealth/Telemedicine)

Launch a Regional Coalition

"I'm writing to share how the Cedars-Sinai COACH for Kids and Their Families saved my life. In 1994 after giving birth to child number six, and beginning to embark upon a new life's journey free of drugs and alcohol, I was completely gripped with fear. One day while out with my baby daughter I came upon the COACH mobile unit thinking it was a Book Mobile and I was greeted by a loving and caring staff. My daughter was given immunizations and I a new lease on life. After meeting with a social worker and setting some short term goals, I landed my first job and regained custody of my children who had been placed in protective custody. Today I'm working toward my master's degree and so much good has happened because of the love and care given to me by the COACH staff over nineteen years ago. I will always be thankful for what I received from them that day, from healthcare for my daughter to adopting a new extended COACH family who are still very much a part of my life today."

*"I got my smile back!" said Felicia H. who was all smiles after getting three fillings and having a chipped front tooth repaired on the **Tooth Travelers** mobile dental clinic in Northern California.*

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Welcome New Members

Baptist Health System (San Antonio, TX)
HSHS Medical Group (Decatur, IL)
Inner Images (Santa Monica, CA)
LAC & USC Medical Center Breathmobile (Los Angeles, CA)
Morehouse School of Medicine (Atlanta, GA)
Operation People for Peace (Pensacola, FL)
Providence Health Services (Burbank, CA)
Reimann Fleet Management (Centennial, CO)
Surgeons for Sight (Greenville, SC)
Vision to Learn (Los Angeles, CA)

New Mobile Clinics

Elica Health Centers (Sacramento, CA)
 40' unit with two full exam rooms. Provides service to underserved communities in Northern California.
Florida International University (Miami, FL)
 Will receive a uniquely designed mobile unit incorporating both mammography and dental. By end of summer they will take delivery of another new mobile unit providing primary care.

Congratulations!

Universal Specialty Vehicles (Perris, CA)
 Celebrating their 20th Anniversary!

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