

Two Ways Intermountain Healthcare Is Improving Access To Healthcare In Utah

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, USA, October 19, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Intermountain Healthcare gives donations to many community partners to support its mission of helping people live the healthiest lives possible — and here are just two examples of recent community giving.

Intermountain made a \$30,000 donation to the Kazan Clinic in rural Garfield and Wayne counties. Kazan Clinic is a member of the Behavioral Health Network, and its system of clinics serves uninsured or underpriviledged patients who need behavioral health services and referrals. Intermountain has helped support the clinic for about five years to enhance its care and staffing. Drop boxes for prescription medications have also been installed in the network for properly disposing unused or expired medication, which supports Intermountain's opioid misuse prevention work.

"Kazan Clinic has been very successful at helping more people get care much faster," says Debbie Hardy, community giving manager at Intermountain. "This partnership improves healthcare access to a wide area of Utah."

The Maliheh Free Clinic in Salt Lake City has received nearly \$100,000 in Intermountain donations and grants since 2009. The clinic supports the uninsured with preventive care and patient education — specifically diabetes prevention. Intermountain gave a grant of more than \$30,000 to their diabetes prevention clinic in May.

"The Maliheh Clinic has built a wonderful reputation for good care and education, particularly in the Pacific Islander population," says Hardy. "We've found Pacific Islanders feel safe attending classes and getting preventive treatment at the clinic."

Intermountain Healthcare is a Utah-based not-for-profit system of 23 hospitals, 170 clinics, a Medical Group with about 2,300 employed physicians and advanced practice clinicians, a health plans group called SelectHealth, and other medical services. Intermountain is widely recognized as a leader in transforming healthcare through high quality and sustainable costs. For more information about Intermountain, visit www.intermountainhealthcare.org.

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