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# National Health Center Week WAS A SUCCESS!

Hunter Health proudly celebrated National Health Center Week (NHCW) 2024 from August 4th-10th, highlighting the crucial role of Community Health Centers in improving public health and advancing equity. As part of the largest primary care network serving 31.5 million patients, Hunter Health is dedicated to making high-quality, affordable care accessible to all.

"Our mission is to enhance the health and wellbeing of our community," said Amy Feimer, CEO of Hunter Health.

From left, Hunter Health's Paul Estrada-Cruz, Amy Feimer and Rachel Mayberry attend a National Health Center Week proclamation event.

This year's NHCW, themed **"Powering Communities Through Caring Connections,"** featured events like resource fairs, health screenings, and back-to-school drives nationwide. Hunter Health hosted events throughout the week to celebrate. Health centers such as Hunter Health, driven by nearly 300,000 professionals, not only prevent illness but address social issues like homelessness, climate change, and food insecurity.

"We care for over 17,000 individuals each year," added Rachel Mayberry, Chief Advancement Officer at Hunter Health. "So not only are we making a difference in the lives of our patients, we are also hoping to improve the health in our community as a whole."



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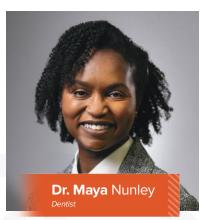
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# Meet Our NEW DENTIST (🕅

Hunter Health is excited to welcome Dr. Maya Nunley, our newest dentist! A Wichita native and Tabernacle Bible Church member, Dr. Nunley brings years of experience to our team. She previously served as Dental Director at E.C. Tyree Health and Dental Clinic and Assistant Dental Director at HealthCore Clinic.

Dr. Nunley is active in the Kansas Dental Association, Wichita District Dental Society, American Dental Association, and the Academy of General Dentistry. She's also a Kansas Dental Board member and was recognized by the Wichita Business Journal for Excellence in Health Care in 2022.



"As a member of the northeast Wichita community," she said. "I've not only heard that patients receive great care at Hunter Health, but I know that employees feel just as supported and cared for. Team members who are prioritized extend even better care to patients, and the entire community benefits."

# Don't Forget: WE OFFER FREE HIV TESTING

At Hunter Health, we offer quick, accurate HIV testing at our Central Clinic. Everyone ages 13 to 64 should be tested at least once in their lifetime. People with certain risk factors should get tested more often. Our HIV Prevention Specialist offers free HIV testing and counseling at our Central Clinic and across the community.



The only way to know your HIV status is to get tested, and this KNOWLEDGE gives you the POWER to take charge of your health and help protect the health of others.

Tell your loved ones about our free HIV testing. We are here to help support everyone's wellbeing every step of the way.

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Our passion—and our purpose—is about caring for the community. When people have access to the healthcare they need, they can truly thrive. And when they thrive, our entire community follows.

- We provide high-quality healthcare to all patients, insured and uninsured.
- We work with patients to provide individualized care and support that works for them.
- With your support, we can reach more patients and empower them to take control of their wellbeing.

Your donation isn't just a one-time solution. It allows us to provide care, build facilities, and support programs that impact our community now and well into the future.



**Follow us**. Did you know we are also on TikTok and Instagram? These pages are a great way for us to connect with our community and share more about the work we do at Hunter Health.

# STAFF SPOTLIGHT

#### MEET HUNTER HEALTH'S Dr. Valerie Hunter, Chief Dental Officer

Dr. Hunter is the newest addition to Hunter Health's Executive Team. She says of her promotion, "It is truly exciting to recognize the progress we, the dental team, and the organization, have made over the years, and I am looking forward to what comes next."

#### Here's her story:

"I was born in Krasnador, Russia and lived there until I was 15. My passion for healthcare starts with my parents. Both were doctors, but most of the credit goes to Dr. Gary Miller and



Dr. R Levy. I worked for them as a Dental Surgical Assistant before going to dental school. Both taught me quality dental care, how to treat patients, and how to be gentle in the mouth."

#### Why did she choose Hunter Health?

"The Hunter Health Dental Team is here to help patients, and we try to find different ways every day to make things better for them. We can offer private practice-level of quality care and customer service to ALL our patients without the high cost. Hunter Health is where dental care is part of overall healthcare and is no longer a luxury."





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# FOOD for ALL

### Hunter Health is proud to be part of the Native American Community Resource Coalition, which sponsored another bi-monthly Emergency Food Assistance distribution event in August.

The event was free and open to low-income families. Hunter Health staff and volunteers gave out sacks of groceries to many families in cars that were lined up in the former Southeast High School parking lot at 903 S. Edgemoor.

The next Emergency Food Assistance distribution event will happen in October. We'll share details on our social media outlets.

### OUT and ABOUT August was action-packed for Hunter Health!





At Hunter Health, we wholeheartedly believe in the power of community connections. The past month has been especially exciting, with our teams engaging in many outreach events that strengthen our bond with the community and further our commitment to promoting health and wellness.



During **National Health Center Week**, members of our staff handed out free cooling kits at the Central clinic. That day's focus was to raise awareness of people experiencing homelessness and their health care needs.

At **Convoy of Hope**, our staff connected with the community, while volunteers provided school supplies, haircuts, shoes, and groceries to support families.

And **National Night Out in Oaklawn** was a lively evening of connection and resources, where we shared information and community spirit.

# SPREADING the WORD

We launched a new promotional campaign recently, and you may have seen the spiffy new commercials on TV, directed and photographed by our Visual Storyteller, Brennan Barger. It stars Injoy Fountain, an alumnus of "The Voice" music competition TV series.

In the commercial, we explain that Hunter Health's focus is on whole-person care. But you can check it out for yourself by scanning this QR code with your phone.







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#### **CHECK OUT OUR BLOG!**

We deeply care and are eager to share our insights. Dive in to explore topics on care, community, and the importance of connecting for optimal health. Find it here: https://hunterhealth.org/about/blog/

#### **CHECK OUT OUR VIDEOS**

You can access all our videos on our Facebook page! We explain just what National Health Center Week was all about, we introduce you to our Hunter Health Community Pharmacy, explore why you should schedule well-child visits, and much more. **Just scan the QR code.** 





Please visit our website at **hunterhealth.org** and check out everything it has to offer. We look forward to hearing your thoughts and working with you to make a difference in the community.

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