

Hunter Timeline

- 1976: Founded by Vernon Dyer, volunteer Physician, at Mid America All Indian Center
- 1978 Moved to the an old strip mall at 2318 E. Central, Wichita, KS 67214, the site of our current facility
- 1980 Incorporated as the Wichita Urban Indian Health Center
- Funded by the Indian Health Service as a Title V Urban Indian Health Program and Buy Indian Contractor, hired staff to expand medical services and add dental services
- Relied on a short list of specialty physicians willing to provide services to our patients free of charge
- 1981 Began partnership with University of Kansas School of Medicine OB Residency Program at Wesley Medical Center to provide prenatal care on site, deliver babies at hospital and provide postnatal care on site.
- 1982 Began part-time Diabetes Specialty Clinic with volunteer services of Dr. Dianna Guthrie
- 1983 Began weekly outreach clinic at the La Familia Hispanic Senior Center
- 1984 Began receiving donated diagnostic services from a coalition of all hospitals in the Wichita Community via the Sedgwick County Association of the Medically Underserved (SCAMU)
- 1985 Changed name to The Hunter Health Clinic, Inc. after respected Indian elders, Jay and Vera Hunter.
- Funded by the Public Health Service as a Community Health Center and expanded services to all people by hiring additional staff to provide medical, dental, interpreter, transportation services.
- 1987 Funded by the Public Health Service as a Stewart B. McKinney Health Care for the Homeless Center, expanding services to include mental health, inpatient detox services, street outreach, nurse rounds at all homeless shelters, homeless case management.
- Began Blankets for Homeless program with the assistance of the Department of Defense, receiving first annual shipment of several thousand blankets.
- Established Asian (Vietnamese) Outreach Program
- 1993 Began mental health therapy sessions on site at Central Clinic
- Began HIV/AIDS Education Program for Indians funded by Indian Health Service
- Began Pfizer Sharing the Care Prescription Drug Program, a voucher program for free medications, in partnership with Pfizer and Professional Pharmacy, growing to over \$1M per year in donated medications.

- 1994 Received CLIA certification for Laboratory
- Began Dental Hygiene internship program partnering with Wichita State University
- Began Registered Nurse internship program partnering with Wichita State University
- Began Native American A/SA Counseling/Case Management program funded by Indian Health Service
- Began Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention Program funded by Kansas Department of Health and Environment
- Began Native American Teen Pregnancy Case Management Program with funding from Johnson & Johnson
- Began partnership with The Bayer Corporation for Indigent Drug Program including reduced cost insulin, free glucose monitors and strips
- Began Boeing discount insulin fund with one-time replenishing donation
- Began Diabetes Education Classes
- Began Nutrition Education Classes
- Expanded HIV/AIDS Prevention Program to all people
- Established Family Practice Residency Program in partnership with University of Kansas Medical Center – Wichita at Wesley Medical Center
- Began participation in Summer Youth Program (job training) in partnership with the Wichita Indo-Chinese Center
- 1995 Expanded CLIA certification for laboratory to high complexity
- Began Teen Pregnancy Case Management Program for all teens, funded by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment.
- Began Immunization Action Plan funded by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment
- Began participation in state-wide Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program provided by Kansas Department of Health and Environment
- Began Susan B. Komen Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention Program (Foundation)
- Began PA Internship (1st yr students) Program in partnership with Wichita State University
- Held 1st Annual Celebrity Golf Tournament with former pro baseball players
- Held 1st Annual HIV/AIDS Conference for Native American Youth

- Held 1st Annual Cultural Sensitivity Training for community
- Held 1st Annual Sobriety Pow Wow
- 1996 Established 1st Satellite of Hunter Health Clinic at Venture House in partnership with Episcopal Social Services.
- Established program with LabCorp to provide deep discounts for outside lab work.
- One of 8 Community Health Centers in U.S. to receive National Crystal Award from Johnson & Johnson for superior programming for Native American Teen Pregnancy Program
- Received State license for Alcohol/Substance Abuse Outpatient Treatment
- CEO and Board member appointed to transition team to create new membership organization for Title V Urban Indian Health Programs
- CEO elected to be the first Vice President of the National Council of Urban Indian Health.
- 1997 Certified as a Diabetes Education Center in partnership with St. Joseph Hospital
- Began Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention Program (KDHE)
- Received certification from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment as a State Designated HIV/AIDS Testing Site
- Started Diabetes Outreach Clinic for Hispanic Seniors at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Center – moved from La Familia Hispanic Senior Center
- 1998 Named 1st Satellite Clinic The Chuck and Jane Harris Satellite of Hunter Health Clinic at Venture House, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Harris who supported both organizations through their leadership and volunteerism.
- Expanded A/SA treatment to all populations with Community Health Center funding
- Began participation in National Indian Health Service Diabetes Collaborative
- Began Dental Hygiene outreach to children at Colvin and Washington elementary schools
- Began dental assessments at Juvenile Detention Center
- Assumed administration of part-time medical clinic with four volunteer physicians at Brookside Methodist Church in Planeview (Southeast Wichita) as 2nd satellite clinic.
- 1999 Brookside Satellite Clinic designated as a Community Based Primary Care Clinic by Kansas Department of Health and Environment and expanded to full-time combining staff and volunteers.

Expanded HIV/AIDS Outreach to Urban Indians and tribes in Kansas and Oklahoma with funding from the Wichita Community Foundation, US. Conference of Mayors and KDHE.

Began Nurse's clinic at Ti'Wiconi Safe Haven in partnership with Inter-Faith Ministries.

Began Pediatric Residency Program (University of Kansas School of Medicine-Wichita)

Established Registered Nurse Internship Program partnering with Winfield College

Began A/SA Group Sessions at Main Clinic and Venture House Satellite

Established Diabetes Foot Clinic with certified Diabetes Foot Specialist

Established Asian American/Pacific Islander Outreach Program (Cambodian, Laos, Thai) in partnership with Wichita Indo-Chinese Center.

Began part-time Van Transportation for homeless contracting with Inter-Faith Ministries

Implemented Project Access (referrals to free specialty physician services organized by Sedgwick County Medical Society)

Purchased adjoining properties to clear space for new building.

2000 Began Prescription Drug Patient Assistance Program

Partnered with Our Gang for HIV/AIDS Treatment Planning

Began Faith-based initiative (Congregational Cluster) with Inter-Faith Ministries to assist neighborhood churches with access of members to preventive healthcare.

Expanded EKGs to all medical sites

2001 Began participation in National Special Diabetes Program for Indians

Began providing low cost physicals at Adult Detention Center to afford opportunities for acceptance into Labette County early release program, Labette Camp.

Recruited volunteer dentists via local dental district board

Moved staff from Chuck and Jane Harris Satellite of Hunter Health Clinic at Venture House to Ti'Wiconi Safe Haven (March) at Inter-Faith Ministries, naming it Hunter Health Clinic at Inter-Faith Ministries

Expanded Diabetes Program for Indians to include full-time ARNP, CDFS, RD/CDE

Added part-time primary care treatment for HIV positives in partnership with University of Kansas School of Medicine -Wichita

Began March of Dimes Pregnant Women and Children Program

- Expanded Van transportation to full-time for all patients.
- 2002 Partnered with Wichita Child Guidance Center to add third satellite clinic for mental health services for children
- Began receiving funding and sonogram donation to support growth of OB Residents presence
- Began participation in HRSA health disparities collaborative - Cardiovascular
- 25th Anniversary Celebration (one year late) with 8-page insert from Knight Foundation in *Wichita Eagle*
- Received Program of the Year award from NCUIH (National Council of Urban Indian Health)
- Participated in NACHC Pilot project re data collection for culturally diverse populations
- Participated in Urban Indian Health Institute epidemiological Pilot Project
- 2003 Selected as Urban Indian Health Institute Pilot recipient for teleconferencing equipment from U. of Denver
- Participated in Urban Indian Health Institute electronic medical records collaborative
- Established 340(b) Drug Purchasing Program partnering with Amerisource Bergen and Professional Pharmacy
- Rec'd congressional earmark from US Rep Tiahrt (\$241,000) for increased supplies due to sudden influx of new patients following 9/11
- Completed Phase I of HRSA Health Disparities Collaborative, expanded to Diabetes, Satellites
- Added 2 Americorps workers for Medicaid outreach
- Implemented Breast and Cervical Cancer Detection Program (50+) with support of Kansas Department of Health and Environment and CDC (Centers for Disease Control)
- Selected as Pilot for U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration Diabetes Detection Initiative – US Surgeon General Kick-Off in Wichita.
- State Native American Wellness Association established, and chaired by Hunter Health Clinic A/SA Abuse Program Director
- 2004 Implemented walk-in TB , flu, blood sugar, blood pressure checks
- Rec'd Congressional Earmark from Senator Roberts (\$1M) for new facility
- Began participation in the National Diabetes Prevention Program funded by IHS and CDC in partnership with Urban Indian Health Programs in Portland, Oregon and San Jose, California.

Implemented Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention Program (<50)

Implemented Kansas Vaccines for Adults at risk of Hepatitis (VFARH) Program

Implemented Rapid Testing for HIV with support of Kansas Department of Health and Environment

Added fourth satellite clinic in partnership with Central Church of Christ Mustard Seed Project: The Diabetes Care Center at 238 N. Waco

HIV/AIDS Director rec'd Champion of Champions Award from IHS

2005 Began Cambodian, Lao and Thai interpreter services in community settings

Ground blessing for the new facility at Central and Grove

Groundbreaking for the new facility at Central and Grove

Diabetes Prevention Program initiated "Movin It" exercise classes in partnership with Horace Mann Elementary School, cooking and nutrition classes, smoking prevention/cessation instruction, and outreach to Native American and Hispanic communities

Began WOLF (Walk Often Low Fat) Pack for diabetes prevention

LATA (Latinos against Tobacco and Alcohol) joins Hunter

Sponsored Tribal Summit on Family Preservation and Restoration

Held 1st Annual Trail of Tears Memorial Walk from Indian Mission United Methodist Church to Mid America All Indian Center – the new trail of tears: health disparities.

Began statewide immunization tracking in CASA system

Received award from Kansas Department of Health and Environment for commitment to breast and cervical cancer prevention

Awarded first funds to support Electronic Health Records from Indian Health Service

2006 Mental Health Satellites added in Butler and Sumner counties in partnership with The Farm

Began formal relationship with the Bob Dole Regional Veteran's Administration

Began Optometry Services at the Diabetes Care Center with the addition of a commissioned corps officer from Indian Health Service

Began Open Access scheduling offering same day appointments, reduced wait times increasing capacity to see more new patients

Began Northwest Tribes Vision Impairment Prevention Collaborative with Oregon Health Sciences University, Devers Eye Institute and Centers for Disease Control.

Purchased three more adjacent properties, redesigned capital project and registered it as the first LEED certified Green project in Wichita

Began Ophthalmology services by telemedicine in partnership with OHSU and CDC

Build Green – Protect Mother Earth Bicycle Campaign began with community bike ride at the Mid America All Indian Center to raise awareness of green building and celebrate 30 years

Awarded 1st place in poster contest by the Kansas Public Health Association for Open Access at Hunter Health Clinic

New addition – added 6 exam rooms in the recently purchased Alford's Lighting attached to our existing building at Central and Grove site

2007 Participated in the Community HRSA Grantees Health Professions Project

Began participation in the National Colorectal Cancer Prevention Collaborative (6 Urban Indian Health Programs supported by IHS/CDC)

Began the Dental Hub project in partnership with Center for Health and Wellness, Good Samaritan Clinic and Healthy Options for Planeview and supported by KDHE.

Established as a preceptor site for dental students from the University of Missouri – Kansas City School of Medicine.

CEO received the annual regional award for superior management from the Oklahoma Area Office of Indian Health Service

Extended evening hours to midnight M-F with support of the Sunflower Foundation

Expanded partnership with Wichita Child Guidance Center to increase mental health services to children to include medications management

2008 Received donation of nearby home and demolished for staging area for new building

2009 Selected by Indian Health Service to be a AAAHC Accreditation Pilot Site

Selected as the first electronic Medicaid Presumptive Eligibility site by the Kansas Health Policy Authority

Served as a state-designated H1N1 vaccination site, ILI (influenza-like illness) Surveillance Network Provider and anti-viral (Tamiflu) distribution site.

Went live with Electronic Health Records

Rerouted utilities completing all preliminary work for new building and received building permit

Received donation of 9-passenger van from the Bob Dole Regional Veteran's Administration

2010 Purchased land and built new 9 exam-room clinic at 9th and Market.

Received \$297,000 earmark from Senator Sam Brownback for capital improvement

Began utilizing outreach van with new slogan, "Your Greatest Wealth is Good Health" for HIV/AIDS and Diabetes Prevention education

Partnered with South Central Mental Health Counseling Center and began a pilot project with 8 other primary care/mental health partnerships developed to integrate services (9).

Began partnership with Planeview Transformation project to design and build 6-exam room clinic at Brookside Methodist Church to replace our 2-exam room clinic inside the church.

Received a CMS (Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services) CHIPRA (Children's Health Insurance Program Recovery Act) grant for Medicaid outreach to Indian Children, and began Medicaid outreach and other educational information via Facebook and Twitter

Formal Ground blessing and Groundbreaking of the new satellite at Inter-Faith Ministries

Began formal relationship with Kansas Children's Service League and began planning for New Access Point at their 13th and Custer location

Began monthly VA outreach at our Central and Grove Center to include VA benefits RV, health fair and taco sales

Began MA and LPN student rotations with the Wichita Technical Institute

Began incorporation of meaningful use criteria in Electronic Health Records system

Received donation of mobile dental unit with three dental operatories

Began Baldrige Award planning, started performance improvement initiatives for meaningful use, Patient Centered Medical Home, IPC (Improved Patient Care), EHR (Electronic Health Records), Committee Structure following Baldrige and "Good to Great" format and use of the Culture Index for employee development.

Remodeled immunization room to improve flow for childhood immunizations, TB, Influenza, Pneumovax, Tetanus and Hep A & B (8).

Began partnership with the Mayflower Clinic, a new free clinic supported by 25 volunteer immigrant physicians