

UNITED HEALTH FOUNDATION

United Health Foundation and Children's National Hospital: *Partnering to Improve Health in Washington, D.C.*

Children's National Hospital, based in Washington, D.C., was established in 1870 and is one of the top five children's hospitals in the nation today. Serving children across D.C., Maryland and Virginia, Children's National is transforming pediatric medicine for all children and developing new and better ways to care for kids.

Recognizing that school-aged children in Washington, D.C.'s most underresourced communities face barriers to health care access, the United Health Foundation, the philanthropic arm of UnitedHealth Group, and Children's National began a multi-year, \$3.4 million grant partnership in 2021. The grant enables a unique program that brings together a team of school nurses, community health workers and mobile medical services to identify and close gaps in health care. The communities served by this program face some of the most significant health challenges in the region, including high rates of child poverty, asthma, obesity, school absenteeism and more.



COMMUNITY IMPACT*

3,436+

students receiving health services as a result of the partnership

9,889

immunizations provided to students

95%

of patients surveyed report being satisfied with the care they received

2,294

students screened for social drivers of health (SDOH) supports leading to **877 referrals** for additional medical or SDOH supports

1,071

students received a well-child visit

216

families received intensive 1:1 support to increase school attendance

*as of 12/31/24

WHY IS THIS WORK CRITICAL?



We're creating intentional community partnerships — with schools, faith-based organizations, and early childhood development centers — so that we can abate and address the inequities we see. We are bringing the comprehensive care found in our fixed locations to the places families live, learn, work and play.”

DR. HOPE RHODES

Medical Director of Children's National THEARC

