

Sojourner Health Clinic

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Attending the SSRFC Conference

Last February, members of the Sojourner Health Clinic board attended a conference held by the Society of Student Run Free Clinics at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. The conference provided a chance for over 600 medical students to attend workshops, present research, and learn how to improve their clinics. As Michele Yang (Lab Manager, MS II) reflected, "We have so many new projects in the works that were inspired by this conference! Personally, I'm most excited to start implementing a women's health initiative." In addition, Rose Puthumana (Treasurer, MS III)



and Peter Lazarz (Executive Director, MS VI) presented a quality analysis project analyzing how well Sojourner Health Clinic is currently treating hypertension in our

patient population. The project pointed out key areas for revision for a follow up quality improvement project aimed at prescribing hypertension medications according to JNC8 guidelines. With the help

of Priyasha Bijilani (PAP Director, MS IV), Peter also led a workshop on setting up a Patient Assistance Program. Look out for improvements as the board continues to implement innovative ideas into clinic!

What's New in Clinic?

This month, the board introduced the new Whiteboard Patient Tracker to improve clinic efficiency. The various columns on the whiteboard show how a patient's chart advances through the clinic, from triage to dispensary, with students in different departments responsible for updating their respective columns. Eshwar Kishore (Webmaster, MS II) got the idea during clinic one day: "I was in clinic and needed to follow up with a patient's medication but wasn't always sure which students were treating them, and that's when I decided to design the whiteboard!"



Swinging for Sojourner

On Sunday, February 25th, 2018, the UMKC School of Medicine Alumni Association held a fundraiser event at Top Golf in Overland Park, Kansas. At Swinging for Sojourner, board member Mrudula Gandham (MS II) spoke to banquet attendees about the impact that the Sojourner Health Clinic has had on the Kansas City community, as well as volunteers like herself. A variety of community partners donated various auction items and student volunteers help made sure the event ran smoothly. The event raised over \$9,000 for the clinic.



Snowball: Stranger Things

Every year, the Medical School Advisory Council hosts a formal for UMKC medical students at the Westin Crown Center Hotel. All proceeds from the event go to helping the Sojourner Health Clinic in its mission to continue providing healthcare to the underserved population of downtown Kansas City. This year, the event was held on March 2nd, with MSAC selling over 250 tickets for the event, raising a total of over \$3,000. This money will continue to help the clinic buy medication, supplies, and other equipment to supply out patients' needs.



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SOJOURNER HEALTH CLINIC

Sojourner Health Clinic, official charity partner of Hospital Hill Run, is a student-run free clinic that provides quality care to the homeless and medically indigent in downtown Kansas City.

At Sojourner Health Clinic, patients are called "sojourners" instead of "homeless" to help instill dignity in the transient population. Sojourner's logo, a skull and crossbones, is a symbol used by the homeless to indicate where a physician can be found. Learn more at SOJOURNERHEALTHCLINIC.COM

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