

GENESEE HEALTH PLAN

HEALTH CARE
HALL *of* FAME

DINNER & AWARDS
Ceremony

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2024

ASCENSION GENESYS CONFERENCE
& BANQUET CENTER

EVENT SPONSOR



Huntington



Welcome.™

The best people bring out the best in people.

Congratulations to Genesee Health Plan and all the 2024 Health Care Heroes honorees. Hard work doesn't always get the recognition it deserves, so when it makes a community better, we take notice.

Thank you from all of us at Huntington.
Your efforts are inspirational.



Member FDIC. , Huntington[®] and  Huntington[®] are federally registered service marks of Huntington Bancshares Incorporated. ©2024 Huntington Bancshares Incorporated.



PROGRAM

WELCOME

Greg Viener, Mid-Michigan Regional President, Huntington Bank

INVOCATION

Pastor Angel Garcia, Board Member, GHP

OPENING REMARKS

Jim Milanowski, President & CEO, GHP

GHP STAFF RECOGNITION

Presented by Jim Milanowski, President & CEO, GHP

HEALTH CAREER SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Sponsored by Sovita Credit Union

Presented by Jen Shew, Director of Marketing and Julie Forbush, Business Development Representative, Sovita Credit Union

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARD

Presented by Jim Milanowski, President & CEO, GHP

VOLUNTEER AWARD

Presented by Jennifer McCarty, Chief Operating Officer, Genesee Health System

IN MEMORIAM

Jim Milanowski, President & CEO, GHP

MEDICAL LEADERSHIP AWARD

Presented by Jim Milanowski, President & CEO and Linda Gibson, GHP

2024 HEALTH CARE HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

Presented by Linda Hamacher, President Emeritus
and Kay Doerr, Former Board Chair, GHP

**Help is
Here**

GHS
Genesee HEALTH SYSTEM



Begin Services Today:

1040 W. Bristol Road
Flint, MI 48507

Monday - Friday
8 A.M. - 5 P.M.

(810) 257-3740

TTY: (810) 232-6310

24 HOUR CRISIS LINE

7 days a week, 24 hours a day

(810) 257-3740

TTY: (810) 232-6310

CUSTOMER SERVICES

Monday - Friday 8 A.M. - 5 P.M.

(810) 257-3705

TTY: (810) 257-1346

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH URGENT CARE

422 W. 4th Avenue • Flint, MI 48503

(810) 496-5500

TTY: (810) 232-6310

Walk-In Services:

7 days a week - extended hours

Video Chat Services:

7 days a week, 24 hours a day

Mobile Crisis Services:

7 days a week, 24 hours a day

www.genhs.org



Genesee
Community
**Health
Center**

*Holistic healthcare
for all ages. Make us
your medical home.*

www.genchc.org



Three locations to serve you!

FLINT

725 Mason Street • Flint, MI 48503

(810) 496-5777

BURTON

2298 Center Road • Burton, MI 48519

(810) 496-5777

GCHC AT THE CENTER FOR CHILDREN'S INTEGRATED SERVICES

1402 S. Saginaw Street • Flint, MI 48503

(810) 496-5777

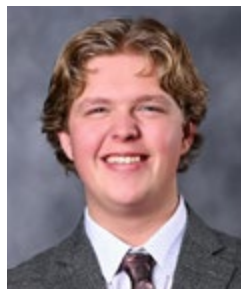


HEALTH CAREER SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

VAUGHN HOUSE

FENTON HIGH SCHOOL

Vaughn House graduated from Fenton High School and will be attending Michigan State University to study biochemistry before attending dental school to become an oral maxillofacial surgeon. In his essay, he explained how the impact of his family's health, a video of a patient undergoing facial reconstruction surgery after a grizzly bear attack, and his internship with Dr. Bobby Lesneski at Greater Michigan Oral Surgeons and Dental Implant Center inspired him to enter the medical field. His hope is to provide the same care and respect for his patients that Dr. Lesneski displayed through his internship. He wants to make a meaningful difference in the lives of others by bringing integrity, compassion, and excellence into his practice.



ELLA TUPPER

GENESEE EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

Ella Tupper graduated from Genesee Early College High School and will be attending Liberty University to study biomedical sciences as she pursues a career as an osteopathic doctor, specializing in primary care and functional medicine. In her essay, she explained how her mother's work in occupational therapy, her work as a medical assistant, and her family's openness to discussing important health issues have inspired her to pursue a career in medicine. Her hope is to become a doctor that truly cares for her patients by working with them to personalize their care through a blend of functional and traditional medicine.





Providing Immigration Services
Celebrating Culture
Empowering Communities

Together For Good

416 N. Saginaw St, Suite 220
Flint, MI 48502
810-235-2721 | staff@aahcflint.org



**HR Solutions
That Put Your
People First**



Family Care Plus Physical Therapy & Wellness

Helping you heal, restore, & prevent



2037 South Center Road
Burton, Michigan 48519
Phone: (810)743-7950
Fax: (810)743-7951

www.familycarepluspt.com
E-mail: officemanager@familycarepluspt.com

Specialized in Orthopedic, Sports, & Spine Physical Therapy
Independent free standing out-patient clinic
35 years of hands-on experience



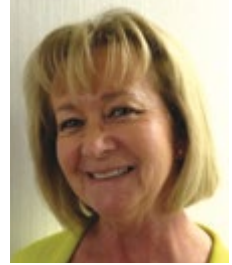
2024 AWARDS

CAROLYN D. JOSEPH CARING HEART LEADERSHIP AWARD

Carolyn Joseph was a Health Navigator for Genesee Health Plan (GHP) since the beginning days of the Plan, until she passed away in 2019. Carolyn cared deeply for others and displayed her kindness, compassion and care through her work inside and outside of GHP.

Compassionate. Caring. Loving. Carolyn's spirit of caring for others was evident in the work that she did and the many people whose lives she touched. She continues to be an inspiration to the staff and community she served through her caring heart and leadership.

To continue to honor and celebrate her legacy, GHP presents the Carolyn D. Joseph Caring Heart Leadership Award to a GHP staff member who has shown compassion, care and selflessness through their work, just as Carolyn did. This award is given in recognition of the wonderful example that Carolyn was to GHP staff and the community that she served.



PAST CARING HEART LEADERSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS



Deborah "Dee" Tillman
2023



Dawn Paterson
2023



Chylawn Jackson
2022



Sandra McKay
2022



Teresa Dehmel
2021



HAP CareSource™

[HAPCareSource.com](https://www.HAPCareSource.com)



2024 AWARDS

The Community Partnership Award is given in gratitude to the person or organizations that have partnered with Genesee Health Plan to ensure that community members have access to quality, affordable health care.

SOVITA CREDIT UNION

Sovita Credit Union is proud to support and serve people who work in education and healthcare, their families, and their communities in the State of Michigan. For over 90 years, Sovita has focused every effort and intent to serve members in the best way possible by providing an exceptional, personalized banking experience, products and services that meet their unique financial needs and by partnering with members to advance the well-being of the broader community.



Sovita is no stranger to community partnership. They have representation and are deeply involved in the Genesee County Medical Society (GCMS), as well as the Genesee County Free Medical Clinic (GCFMC). They participate in GCMS meetings as well as being involved in their annual President's Ball. Sovita staff volunteer with the GCFMC, including assisting with fundraising efforts.

They have partnered with Genesee Health Plan since 2020, as the official partner and sponsor for the Health Heritage Essay and Scholarship Contests, where local Genesee County students are encouraged to have a conversation with their family about their family health history. Sovita utilizes their community partners, including school and health care connections, to promote the contest within all of the Genesee County schools and at each principal and superintendent meeting. These contests would not be possible without Sovita's continued partnership. Sovita is more than a credit union serving health care workers, teachers, and school employees, they serve the community and are a true community partner.

Education &
Healthcare workers
deserve a break.

GET
HERO
INTEREST



Sovita pays more on deposits
and charges less for loans.

Apply online at sovitacu.org or visit a Sovita branch office today!



Federally Insured
by NCUA





2024 AWARDS

The Volunteer Award is given in gratitude to those that have dedicated their time and efforts in making sure those within their communities have access to quality and affordable health care and resources in Genesee County through their work with Genesee Health Plan.

LEW MOQUIN

Lew Moquin, “The Car Seat Guy,” has been an advocate for car seat safety since 1998, volunteering his time and expertise with ensuring families across the county can safely transport their children, providing certified



child passenger safety technicians (CCPSTs) at a variety of locations throughout Genesee County.

Since 2017, through partnership with Mott Children’s Hospital, Genesee County Community Action Resource Department (GCCARD), and Genesee Health Plan (GHP), Lew, and his team of volunteer CCPSTs, have hosted monthly community car seat checks and installations at the GHP office, and Mott Community College’s Lenore Croudy Family Life Center. They have inspected more than 1,100 car seats and have provided more than 880 new car seats to low-income families in the community, through a Michigan program that enables at-risk families to receive free car seats, if needed.

In 2019, Lew received grant funding from the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning to increase the number of CCPSTs in Genesee County, expanding their reach in assisting even more families. Through the grant, Lew held a four-day long certification training class at Genesee Health Plan.

From organizing and coordinating pop-up car seat safety checks to regularly scheduled checks at partner locations, Lew goes above and beyond to help the youngest and most vulnerable residents, providing a local voice at the state level, advocating for stronger car seat laws. With his advocacy and partnership with other certified passenger safety technicians, Governor Gretchen Whitmer signed



2024 AWARDS

legislation in March, Public Act 21 and 22 of 2024, strengthening car seat laws and requirements for children ages 2-13. Lew and his volunteers continue to be a vital part of the safety of the Genesee County community.

AIMEE ALLOR

Aimee Allor has worked alongside Lew Moquin ensuring families are safely transporting their children and have access to car seats since she began working at Genesee County Community Action Resource Department's HeadStart Program in 2016.



Volunteering her time, and being passionate about serving low-income, underserved communities, her favorite part of the car seat inspection program is empowering families to help them advocate for themselves and the safety of their children by teaching them how to keep themselves and their family safe. Through this work, relationships naturally develop between CCPSTs and the families they help; she sees repeat families coming back. From expecting moms to foster agencies, Aimee, Lew, and all of the volunteers in this project make sure that everyone they help leaves safer.

In 2017, GHP was brought on as a partner, hosting car seat checks on the 4th Friday of the month, providing a reliable, consistent location, where community members can get an inspection and come into the office for additional resources from health care coverage to utility and food assistance programs. Aimee is grateful for the continued partnership with GHP, providing a safe space for new parents and families who are lost, confused, and scared when it comes to care seat safety, handling each case with comfort and care.



TO OUR HEALTH CARE HEROES

The Hurley Foundation is Proud to
Sponsor the 2024 Genesee Health Plan
Health Care Hall of Fame Awards.

As Genesee County's premier public teaching
hospital, Hurley Medical Center strives to transform
health through academic and clinical excellence.
Just as the inductees being honored today strive
to create a healthier future for our community.



 **HURLEY**
FOUNDATION
hurleyfoundation.org



IN MEMORIAM

PETER LEVINE

Peter Levine dedicated his career to advocating for access to quality health care and played a key role in the launch of the Genesee Health Plan (GHP) in 2001. Through his leadership with the Genesee County Medical Society (GCMS), he worked with physicians in response to the Flint Water Crisis, researching and analyzing its significant impacts on public health and safety, and publicly advising the community of physician recommendations on how to reduce risk based on exposure.



Levine's work with GHP and GCMS serves as a testament to his unwavering commitment to public health. As we remember Peter Levine, we honor his contributions and the lasting positive change he brought to countless lives.

REP. TIM SNELLER

State Representative Tim Sneller was a passionate advocate for health care. A longtime supporter of the GHP and its millage renewal efforts, he volunteered for the millage campaign in 2005 and continued his commitment throughout his career. During his first term in office, he made health care a top priority and partnered with GHP in various capacities, including hosting a Health Insurance Enrollment Forum and volunteering for GHP drive-thru immunization events.



Rep. Sneller's dedication to health care access and his support for GHP have left a lasting impact. He will be remembered for his dedication to improving the health and well-being of his community.

Congratulations to the 2024

GENESEE HEALTH PLAN

HEALTH CARE HALL of FAME

Health Care Heroes honorees
From the Board & Staff at:

United Way  **United Way of Genesee County**
Serving Genesee & Shiawassee Counties

 **100,000**
Lives impacted last year

   
Health. Education. Financial Stability. Immediate Needs.



They may forget your name, but they will never forget how you made them feel - Maya Angelou

Comprehensive Care
For The Insured and Uninsured

- Family Medicine
- Pharmacy
- Vision
- Dentistry
- Obstetrics/OB
- Behavioral Health


Michigan Medicine Specialty Care

- Breast Health
- Urology
- Gynecology

810.406.4246 HamiltonCHN.org
Burton | Flint | Clio | Lapeer

 **Hamilton Community Health Network**

Genesee County Free Medical Clinic
Free help is only a phone call away


G.C.F.M.C.

Community Partner for Positive Healthcare Outcomes

- Primary Care for Uninsured and Under Insured
- No charge for medications
- Appointments Taken Daily
- Free Care for those who qualify under Federal Poverty Guidelines of 300%

810-235-4211 www.gcfmc.org
2437 Welch Blvd. Flint, MI 48504

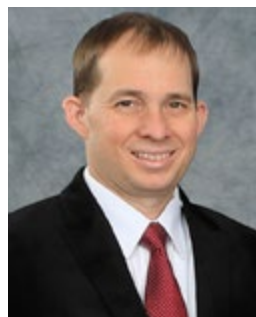


2024 AWARDS

The Medical Leadership Award *honors a medical leader who provides exemplary quality of care, serves as a patient advocate, and demonstrates a commitment to strengthening health care in our community.*

DR. NATHAN KOPEK

Throughout his career, Dr. Nathan Kopek was known for his compassion, warmth and dedication to his patients, colleagues, and residents. In 2007, Dr. Kopek completed post graduate training in Internal Medicine and joined Ascension Genesys as Faculty, serving as Program Director of the Osteopathic Recognition Track, and Associate Program Director of the Internal Medicine Residency Program.



Through his medical leadership, he supported the residency program by training residents and students in Osteopathic Manipulative Therapy and outpatient procedures. He took great pride in mentoring his residents, guiding them to fulfill their aspirations and make a tangible difference in the lives of their patients and community.

Dr. Kopek was deeply involved in the study and treatment of autoimmune disorders, infectious disease, and diabetes. As a devoted member of the Genesee Health Plan Board of Directors from 2013-2023, and serving on its Network Quality and Oversight Committee as Chair from 2012-2023, he provided guidance and expertise in assisting GHP leadership with formulary recommendations, health navigation and chronic disease management services that the plan provides.

Dr. Kopek passed away in 2023 after a lengthy illness. We thank Dr. Kopek for his unwavering dedication and contributions to GHP, the community, and the many lives he touched throughout his career and life.



2024 AWARDS

The Health Care Hall of Fame Inductee Visionary Leadership Award *honors visionary leaders who personally made a lasting impact on the community's health care landscape. Through dedication, advocacy, leadership and tenacity, the Health Care Hall of Fame inductees have helped to improve the health of the community.*

DR. LAURA CARRAVALLAH

Dr. Laura Carravallah has dedicated her work to improving access to quality healthcare for Genesee County. During the Flint Water Crisis, Dr. Carravallah collaborated with academic organizations, Genesee Health Plan (GHP), and more to organize response efforts on behalf of her role on the Community and Environmental Health Committee of the Genesee County Medical Society from 2016-2020. From



2012-2023, she served on the Genesee County Board of Health, helping steer health policy to positively impact county residents. Dr. Carravallah served on the GHP Board of Directors from 2018-2023, the Physician Advisory Committee, and has advocated for the health plan throughout her career.

She has been a fierce and powerful advocate for GHP since the plan began. As President of the Genesee County Medical Society, she played a key role in securing physician support for the Health Care Services Millage. During the 2012 GHP Health Care Services Millage renewal, she wrote numerous articles and letters, including one publication in the Flint Journal, that made a compelling case for passage of the millage, as well as supporting the millage during a news press conference. She has provided a voice for the uninsured and voiceless in our community.

Dr. Carravallah led two research projects with residency students from the MSU Department of Public Health, in partnership with GHP. These research projects focused on the lack of pharmacies in the City of Flint, and identifying and establishing ancillary services for cancer patients, including resources for caregivers. These projects were invaluable in teaching the residency students to identify disparities among racial and ethnic minorities, geographic location, and barriers to accessing health care in Flint and Genesee County, where these students were attending school.



HEALTH CARE HALL OF FAME

Past Health Care Hall of Fame Inductees



James W. Gaskin
2023



Kay Doerr
2022



Kathryn Boles
2021



Joseph "Joe" Leonard
2021



Peter Levine
2019



Lawrence Reynolds, MD
2018



Phil Phelps
2017



Linda Hamacher
2016



E. Yvonne Lewis
2015



F. Michael Jaggi, DO
2014



Robert L. Emerson
2013



Deborah Cherry
2012



Jack Litzenberg
2012



Robert M. Pestronk, MPH, 2012



Trissa Torres, MD
2012



GENESEE HEALTH PLAN 2024-25 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Nancy Haywood
Board Chair

Jim Milanowski
President & Chief Executive Officer

Matthew LeGault
Vice President

Linda Hamacher
President Emeritus

Dr. Raymond Gist
Treasurer

Dr. Daniel Dulin
Secretary

Yaushica Aubert

Deb Cherry

Domonique Clemons

Pam Faris

Dr. Jennifer Edwards-Johnson

Dr. Donna Fry

Pastor Angel Garcia

Keith Poniers

Commissioner Charles Winfrey



Specialized Services — THROUGHOUT — Genesee County

Every rider is unique and the MTA has a ride designed for you.

Call: (810) 767-0100



www.mtaflint.org

CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE

2024 GENESEE
HEALTH PLAN

HEALTHCARE HERO AWARD RECIPIENTS!

Your dedication to improving the health of Genesee County residents is to be commended.



mclaren.org/flint



THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!



United Way
of Genesee County
Serving Genesee and Shiawassee Counties





2171 S. Linden Road
Flint, MI 48532
810.232.7740
geneseehealthplan.org

