

# A Message from the CEO and Board Chair

Friends and Colleagues,

The Lincoln Medical Education Partnership (LMEP) celebrated our 50th Anniversary this year. We continue our mission to provide exemplary patient care through our dedication to resident physician education. We provide full-scope healthcare including outpatient and inpatient services, obstetrics, acupuncture, substance abuse counseling, and mental health care. Our School Community Intervention and Prevention program continues to train educators and staff in well over 160 schools to identify kids at risk for behavioral, substance abuse, and mental health issues. We offer a free assessment to those students in order to get them and their families on the road to a better future.

We formed the Lincoln Pediatric Hospitalists program three years ago to provide inpatient care to children at Bryan Medical Center, CHI Health St. Elizabeth, and Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital. This program has vastly raised the bar to new heights and improved pediatric care in Lancaster County. We are transitioning the administrative arm of the program to Children's Nebraska and continue to be very involved with the program as our Residents rotate through the Lincoln Pediatric Hospitalists service during the year.

Stepping Stones offers substance abuse counseling and mental health care to Lincoln residents. This is such a needed and valued service that we have provided for decades. We are proud of our providers' high level of expertise and caring.

The Lincoln Family Medicine Residency Program graduated another class of Family Medicine Physicians in July. They are headed off to become clinicians throughout the state and region. We also welcomed eight new resident physicians who are beginning their three-year educational journey with us.

Our core values are Accountability, Caring, Collaboration, Education, Professionalism, and Teamwork. Every day we make an effort in those areas in order to be a welcoming, open, and accepting organization.

The Lincoln Medical Education Partnership is so grateful to our supporters and staff for their exceptional care and effort on our behalf. For more information about the Lincoln Medical Education Partnership, visit us at LMEP.com.

#### Sincerely,



AL Linderman

Al Linderman President/CEO, LMEP



Carol J. Cardhacht

Carol Ott Schacht Chair, LMEP Board of Directors

#### **Our Values**

Accountability
Caring
Collaboration
Education
Professionalism
Teamwork

# Celebrating Years

Lincoln Medical Education Partnership, formerly Lincoln Medical Education Foundation, celebrated its 50th Anniversary in August. Over 300 guests, including employees and their families, and patients, were treated to bounce houses, a Velcro wall, balloon and airbrush tattoo artists, food, music, and a variety of other activities. The evening's celebration culminated with a fireworks show, planned and executed by Dr. Hunter Allen, a second-year family medicine resident at LMEP and a licensed pyrotechnician.

## LMEP has been home to a variety of programs over the years, including:

- · Lincoln Family Medicine Residency Program
- Lincoln Family Medicine Center
- Lincoln Pediatric Hospitalists
- School Community Intervention & Prevention
- Stepping Stones (previously Young Families Program)
- · Lincoln Medical Acupuncture
- Nebraska Cancer Research Center
- Training for Addiction Professionals
- · Continuing Health Professions Education
- · Family Violence Council
- Pathways



Our History of Care

1971 1974

1975

1978

1980

Lincoln Medical Education Foundation (LMEF) Founded Lincoln Family Residency Program Established First Residency Class

First Residency Class Graduation Continuing Medical and Health Education Established



LMEP has always been an innovator, stepping up to fill the needs in our community.





1996

1983

1984

1995

Stepping Stones

Family Violence

#### **Our Mission**

To enhance the health of individuals, families, and communities through innovative programs and exemplary medical education.

Through the years, residents are prepared and ready to serve communities thanks to their inspired training with experienced faculty and enlightened leadership.



1997

1998

Established

Cancer Resource Center Established Established

Council Established

New Clinic Building Opened Training for Addiction Professionals Established

Pathways to Self-Sufficiency Established Community Health Information Network Established

Carveth Building Opened

#### First Residency Graduating Class of 1978



(left to right):
Mark Allison, MD
Gerry Bunting-Blake, MD
Mike Finkner, MD
Michael McCoy, MD
Robert Roth, MD



2004

LMEF becomes Lincoln

Medical Education Partnership

2017

Lincoln Medical Acupuncture Established Lincoln Behavioral Health Center Merges with Stepping Stones Lincoln Pediatric Hospitalists Established LMEP Celebrates 50 Years 66

Our success and longevity are a testament to the support we've received from volunteer faculty physicians, research participants and investigators, school personnel, faculty, residents, and most importantly, our employees, over these past 50 years. The mission of LMEP is to enhance the health of individuals, families, and communities through innovative programs and exemplary medical education, and we will continue to do so for years to come."

- DR. ALAN LINDERMAN, LMEP PRESIDENT AND CEO

A Bright Future Continues





## Residency Program

The team at Lincoln Family Medicine Residency Program is proud to provide exemplary patient care and exceptional medical education to our 24 Family Medicine Resident Physicians. Founded in 1974, the residency training program has graduated 310 physicians with over 55% of our graduates serving the patients of Nebraska. We are proud of our strong tradition and service to our state, and we continue to recruit dedicated and talented medical school graduates to join our team.

Our continued successes and abilities to offer comprehensive educational experiences are due to the unyielding support we receive from University of Nebraska Medical Center, Bryan Health, and CHI Health St. Elizabeth, the dedication and teaching abilities of our core faculty, and the partnership and investments of our community faculty. We have remained true to our mission to train the next generation of Family Physicians.

23,500+

individual, life-changing patient encounters

**55%** 

of Lincoln Family Medicine Residency Program graduates practice medicine in the state of Nebraska. 310

successful resident physician graduates to date

2023

Residency Program celebrates 45 years and 310 graduates

**Our Mission** 

Strengthening Community through Health Education and Patient Care



#### Nebraska Counties Served by Program Graduates 2011 - 2023



LFMP graduates are leaders in primary care in Nebraska. Over the past 12 years:

- 35% of alumni practice Family Medicine with Obstetrics.
- 63% of future graduates from our current resident cohort plan to provide Family Medicine with Obstetrics in their practice.

## Thank You

## LMEP Volunteer Clinical Faculty and the Lincoln Medical Community

The Lincoln Family Medicine Residency Program was founded in 1974 with our first class graduating in 1978. Since our inception, we have had the dedication and contributions of our sponsoring institutions- University of Nebraska Medical Center, Bryan Health, CHI Health St. Elizabeth, and the greater Lincoln medical community. We have graduated over 300 Family Medicine physicians, and we stay true to our mission to serve as a pipeline of quality and compassionate medical care throughout Nebraska and the Midwest. Because of the invaluable education, collaboration, and dedication provided by our Volunteer Clinical Faculty, we train exemplary Family Physicians. Along with our core

Faculty, the Attending physicians in the Lincoln medical community have contributed 2.5 million direct teaching hours and millions more meaningful clinical experiences which have shaped the training and careers of each Lincoln Family Medicine alumnus. On behalf of past, current, and future residents, faculty, and staff, I want to express appreciation to every community member who has supported and partnered to prepare the next generation of Family Physicians.

Sincerely,



Sabrina Cerny Sabrina Cerny MD, ABFM, FAAFP Program Director The John C. Finegan **Award** recognizes dedication and service to Lincoln Medical and specifically Lincoln Family Medicine was the first director of the Lincoln Family Through the years. medical community who ensuring family medicine to meet the medical

Russ Gronewold, President and CEO of Bryan Health, is the 2023 recipient of the John C. Finegan Award.

## In the Clinic

Lincoln Family Medicine Center serves as the core ambulatory training site for Lincoln Family Medicine Residency Program. Our clinic has grown in space, number, and scope of service throughout its 50-year history.

As a full spectrum Family Medicine clinic, our physicians, advance practice providers, and staff provide more than 24,000 patient encounters annually. We are proud to serve a diverse patient population. From newborn checks to elder wellness visits, from acute visit diagnostics to chronic disease coaching, from acupuncture to osteopathic manipulation treatments, we impact lives daily within the context of each individual visit. We are committed to providing compassionate care, meeting patients where they are in their healthcare journey,

and partnering with them to meet their wellness goals, both physical and emotional. Lincoln Family Medicine Center offers full-spectrum care in all settings including hospital, clinic, group visits, nursing home visits, hospice care, house calls, acupuncture, osteopathic manipulation therapy, prenatal and obstetric care, and mental health care.

Lincoln Family Medicine Center is a place where our core values of Accountability, Caring, Collaboration, Education, Professionalism, and Teamwork are exemplified daily.

## **Stepping Stones**

Stepping Stones expanded to four therapists early in the year before the appeal of private practice significantly impacted Stepping Stones. The departure of therapists, although staggered, coupled with a highly competitive market for therapists, made recruitment of new therapists challenging.

In order to level the playing field with larger agencies providing significant hiring bonuses, Stepping Stones applied for ARPA Funding for Behavioral Health Workforce Projects Related to COVID-19 through the Behavioral Health Education Center of Nebraska (BHECN) and was awarded \$10,000. These funds are being used to offer hiring bonuses for one full-time and two part-time mental health practitioners.

Stepping Stones and Lincoln Family Medicine Center continue to operate under an integrated



behavioral health model where the Stepping Stones therapists collaborate with the primary care providers to address behavioral health concerns identified during medical visits. This may occur through a warm hand-off, where the therapist is asked to meet face-to-face with the patient while at the clinic to help establish rapport and communication.

Supportive services, including the emergency food pantry, diapers/wipes, and personal hygiene items, continue to be provided to the Clinic and Stepping Stones' clients as needed.



## School Community Intervention & Prevention

During the 2022-23 school year, 160 schools embraced the identification and referral process that is the backbone of SCIP, placing a high priority on the mental and behavioral health of their students. Through collaboration with our behavioral health agency partners, we were able to help our SCIP teams connect students to effective supports that can lead to long-term changes and stability.

The number of students referred through the SCIP identification and referral process remained steady this year, at 1,002. The primary reason for referrals was student Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs use concerns (429), which is not surprising given the prevalence of vaping by youth. This was followed by mental health concerns (364) and social behaviors (329). However, the number of interventions

(662), assessments (237), and students newly connected to services (648) all increased over the previous year. The demand for mental health services this year outstripped availability, leading to increased wait times for services.

Prevention and education efforts undertaken by SCIP through training, presentations, and community outreach continue to grow. A total of 1.424 individuals attended SCIP trainings and presentations over the course of the year, with hundreds of others were provided at community events. Presentation and training topics included the impact of substance use and addiction, depression, youth suicide prevention, dealing with disruptive behaviors, addressing the stigma of mental health, cyberbullying, sexting, online safety, human trafficking, vaping, and teen substance use.

Statewide data tabulation for 2022-2023

**1,002** referrals

**662** interventions

237 assessments

648
newly connected to services



## Lincoln Pediatric Hospitalists

The past year presented a number of challenges for the Lincoln Pediatric Hospitalists (LPH) as they continued to provide expert care for pediatric patients at Bryan Health, CHI Health St. Elizabeth, and Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital. Recruitment of additional providers was difficult, as most pediatric hospitalist programs are also experiencing staffing shortages. A decision was made mid-year to pursue contracts with locum tenens physicians while continuing recruitment efforts.

Patient census numbers began to rise in October and soared in November, with over 1,100 patient visits in November alone, due to RSV, influenza, and COVID-19. To address this influx in light of staffing challenges faced by the program, a plan was developed in conjunction with community pediatricians for them to cover newborn care during this time so that the hospitalists could focus their

attention on inpatient care. The willingness of the community pediatricians to step up and help was truly appreciated and a testament to the value they place on the program.

Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital announced in February that it would discontinue pediatric care in Lincoln, effective July 1, 2023. As the three Lincoln hospitals (Bryan, CHI Health St. Elizabeth, and Madonna) shared the cost of the program equally, discussions began in earnest with Children's Nebraska regarding how to sustain the program long term. As a result of these discussions, Children's will take on a larger financial and administrative role with LPH, LMFP will remain. very involved with LPH. Going forward, the Lincoln Pediatric Hospitalists program will continue to serve as a training rotation site for the second-year family medicine residents and the pediatric hospitalists will present on pediatric topics monthly at the residency program's Noon Conferences.

### Thank You

#### to our Generous Supporters

#### **Trusts**

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#### **Funding Sources**

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CHI Health St. Elizabeth

**Lincoln Public Schools** 

Madonna

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## Financials for Fiscal Year

#### 2023 Annual Report

#### Revenue

Lincoln Family Medicine Residency Program Net Service Revenue \_\_\_\_\_\_\$6,345,207 Supporting Community Hospital Contributions \$2,295.804 Supporting Medical Center Contributions \_\_\_\_\_ \$2,688,990 LFMP Revenue and Contributions \_\_\_\_\_\_\$11,330,001 | 88% Other Contributions \$142.931 1% Grants and Contracts \$481.184 4% Rental \_\_\_\_\_\_\$444,326 Tuition \_\_\_\_\_\_ \$18,498 0% Investment \_\_\_\_\_\$478,184 4% Other \$40.456 0% Total Revenue, Gains, and Other Support \_\_\_ \$12,935,580 100%

#### **Expenses**

Lincoln Family Medicine Residency Program	\$7,858,414	63%
School Community Intervention and Prevention	\$289,651	2%
Lincoln Medical Acupuncture	\$213,977	2%
Stepping Stones	\$255,288	2%
Rental Income-Related Expenses	\$295,726	2%
Management and General	\$1,262,507	10%
Lincoln Pediatric Hospitalists	\$2,267,824	18%
Total Expenses	\$12,443,387	100%
Change in Net Assets	\$492,193	

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