Genesee Health System and Genesee Community Health Center Receive Grants to Assist with Community COVID-19 Responses

Flint, MI – Genesee Health System and the Genesee Community Health Center have received grants to help the Genesee County community with services and supports during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

On April 16, 2020, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s (SAMHSA) Emergency Grant to Address Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders during COVID 19 awarded a grant of $385,113 to Genesee Health System (GHS) in partnership with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. This funding will allow GHS to establish a free Virtual Crisis Center that will provide support and crisis intervention services to the community, including health care professionals, first responders, and essential workers.

On April 8, 2020, the Health Resources and Service Administration (HRSA) awarded Genesee Health System/Genesee Community Health Center $581,750, provided by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The supplemental funding provides a one-time funding to support the Community Health Center in the detection, prevention, diagnoses, and treatment of COVID-19; and the maintenance or increase of health capacity and staffing levels during a coronavirus related public health emergency.

On March 19, 2020, HRSA awarded Genesee Health System/Genesee Community Health Center $53,625. This funding provides flexibility for preventing, preparing for, and responding to COVID-19, as needs evolve within the community. This includes patient and community education, screening, supplies, equipment, and testing as needed to support our community.

“As we continue to provide needed services during these times, these monies will help us to provide extra services and supports to not only those in services at GHS and GCHC, but to our entire community,” said Danis Russell, CEO of Genesee Health System.

Genesee Health System promotes Hope and Health by recognizing the interconnectedness of the body, the mind, and the community. Services include primary health care and a medical home through the Genesee Community Health Center, mental health services, substance use disorder treatment, assessment and referral for the Genesee County community for all ages. Call 810.257.3705 to learn more, or go to www.genhs.org

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