

## United Health Foundation and Children’s National Hospital: *Partnering to Advance Health Equity 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 announced a multiyear, \$3.4 million grant partnership in 2021. The grant enables a unique program — bringing together a team of school nurses, community health workers and mobile medical services to identify and close gaps in health care. The areas served by this program face some of the most significant health inequities in the region, with high rates of child poverty, asthma, obesity, school absenteeism and more.



### COMMUNITY IMPACT\*

**Over 11,000**

students receiving health services as a result of the partnership

**8,410**

immunizations provided to students

**100%**

of patients surveyed report being satisfied with the care they received

**846**

students screened for social determinants of health (SDOH) supports and 518 students referred to additional medical or SDOH supports

**838**

students received a well-child visit

\*as of 3/31/24

### WHY IS THIS WORK CRITICAL?



We’re creating intentional community partnerships — with schools, faith-based organizations, 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**

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