

POISON PREVENTION

Since 1988, WRMC has provided outreach poison prevention education to area preschool and kindergartners. In demand by area schools, the

WRMC poison prevention team now reaches more than 1,200 youth at a total of 30 schools annually.



CARE FOR THE UNINSURED

WRMC provides needed medical care to all patients, regardless of ability to pay.

Our Community Care Program provides services without charge, or at a significantly discounted rate, to eligible patients who cannot afford to pay for part or all of their care.

The program was greatly appreciated by Lauren* of Watertown. Working a part time job without insurance benefits, Lauren found herself temporarily uninsured when her husband retired.

When she needed emergency surgery, Lauren had no idea how she would pay for the \$15,000 procedure.

Lauren's fears were calmed when she was visited by a WRMC patient financial counselor, who told her about WRMC's Community Care Program,

which covered a substantial portion of her medical bills. "This charitable program is a blessing," said Lauren.

**Name changed for patient privacy*



2009 Contributions to the Community

WRMC provides access to vital health care services 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year, serving more than 177,000 patients annually. In addition, WRMC provides millions of dollars in charitable services and contributions back to the community each year.

CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Care for Uninsured and Underinsured	\$ 5,894,444
Community Health Improvement & Prevention	\$ 661,610
Mental Health & Other Subsidized Health Services	\$ 391,552
Health Professions Education/Training/Scholarships	\$ 79,257
Support of Other Community Health Initiatives	\$ 125,786
Other Charitable Activity	\$ 49,797
Total Annual Community Benefit	\$ 7,202,446

CREATING THE NEXT GENERATION OF HEALTH PROVIDERS

Taking an active role in growing the next generation of healthcare providers, WRMC provides 15 scholarships to students pursuing health careers. WRMC sponsors youth career exploration programs and hosts numerous medical, technical, and nursing students, ensuring that residents have access to world class care providers now and for generations to come.



FRIEND TO FRIEND MAMMOGRAM

A breast cancer prevention advocate, LeRoy Butler joined us as we kicked off our *Friend to Friend* Mammogram program, which provides mammogram funding for those in need. To learn more about this program, which covers mammogram fees for any women in need, visit uwHPwatertown.com/FriendToFriend.



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WRMC proudly serves those who call this region home. Center (WRMC) is a community asset with a mission to provide the best in healthcare to our patients. Non-profit and governed by a local board of directors, UW Health Partners Watertown Regional Medical



A PASSION FOR SERVING
2009 Community Impact Report

WEIGH TO WIN

At the age of 62 and 335 pounds, Diana Carl knew that her health was in jeopardy. She also knew that losing weight was not going to be easy.

After a serious accident eighteen years earlier, Diana had been told she would eventually become wheelchair bound. But Diana was determined not to let that happen. In January of 2006, she joined the Weigh to Win program, which turned out to be a life changing decision.

Diana attended the program's educational sessions and implemented the recommended lifestyle changes. She began an exercise program with a local health club that worked with her limitations and, today, still works out seven days a week.

To date, Diana has lost an amazing 170 pounds, gained confidence and improved mental health. She is proud to be an annual Weigh to Win participant and has been able to fend off being wheelchair bound.

Offered free of charge and available to all community members, Weigh to Win provides education and motivation to help participants meet weight loss goals. This year's 10-week program helped 815 participants lose more than 2,557 pounds.



Here, Diana is pictured with the dress she wore to Weigh to Win Kickoff in 2006, before losing 170 pounds.

HEART HEALTH

Heart disease is our region's greatest health challenge. WRMC takes a proactive approach to improving the region's heart health by providing screenings, risk assessment consultation and community health education, reaching out to those most at risk for going without preventative care.

COMMUNITY HEALTH FUND

WRMC's Community Health Fund provides financial assistance to community non-profits working to meet community health needs. Recent donations helped to purchase defibrillators for area schools and to purchase EKG units (cardiac monitoring devices) for ambulances. When available, EKG units save precious minutes for heart attack victims, providing immediate information to get patients needed care in the quickest time possible.

