UPMC FAST FACTS: COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY

As the region’s health care leader, UPMC is committed to improving the health and well-being of its communities.

Giving Back and Improving Lives

$1.7 billion — in IRS-defined community benefits in Fiscal Year 2020

Annually, UPMC contributes more than $1 billion to make our communities healthier. This amounts to 18 percent of UPMC’s net patient revenue — a level substantially higher than most peers regionally, statewide, and nationally.

$509 million — Charity Care and Costs for Those in Need

Committing more to charity care than any other health system in Pennsylvania:
- $121 million in charity care – UPMC cares for 18 percent of patients in Pennsylvania, but provides one quarter of hospital charity care in the Commonwealth.
- $388 million to cover unreimbursed costs for Medicaid beneficiaries and other subsidized care

$558 million — Health Programs and Charitable Contributions

Enhancing health and wellness through more than 3,000 free and subsidized programs:
- Immunizations, medications, home visits, and transportation
- Support for seniors, children, and people with disabilities
- Emergency preparedness, smoking cessation, and cancer prevention

$599 million — Medical Research and Education

Sponsoring 98 percent of all hospital-funded research in western Pennsylvania:
- $373 million in direct medical research funding primarily at the University of Pittsburgh
- $226 million in medical education programs to foster the next generation of physicians, nurses, pharmacists, and other health care professionals

UPMC Insurance Services

- UPMC Health Plan is among the nation’s fastest-growing health plans, serving 4 million members. It offers coverage to individual and group health plan members; seniors; low-income individuals and families; as well as those with disabilities. Products include UPMC for Life, UPMC for You, UPMC for Kids — Pennsylvania’s largest CHIP program, UPMC Community HealthChoices, and Community Care Behavioral Health Organization.
- Since its introduction in 1996, UPMC for You has become the fastest-growing Medicaid program in Pennsylvania. It is also the largest Medicaid plan in Pennsylvania. The plan is honored to be one of the nation’s leading nonprofit Medicaid organizations.

UPMC cares for a disproportionate share of high-need patients:
- 8 out of 10 substance abuse patients in Allegheny County
- Nearly half of pediatric patients from low-income families in Dauphin County
- 7 out of 10 babies born to low-income families in Erie, McKean, and Venango counties
- 7 out of 10 seniors are cared for in Bedford, Blair, and Somerset counties
- 7 out of 10 seniors in Clinton, Lycoming, Potter, and Tioga counties
- 7 out of 10 Medicaid patients in Lawrence and Mercer counties

UPMC is a powerful engine of progress, growth, and prosperity.

$42 Billion Economic Impact

UPMC’s operations have a multiplier effect that ripples through local economies. Every dollar directly spent by UPMC results in more than twice as much impact.

UPMC’s impact on the region’s economy nearly doubled in five years.

$919 Million in Taxes Paid

A nonprofit, UPMC contributes substantially each year through taxes and assessment fees, including property, sales, income, and employer taxes. In 2020, UPMC paid:
- Federal $455 million
- State $419 million
- Local $46 million

More Than 90,000 Employees

As Pennsylvania’s largest nongovernmental employer, UPMC supports more than one in four hospital jobs.

$246 Million in Diversity Spending

UPMC supports minority- and women-owned businesses.
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UPMC Is Addressing the Needs of Communities and Making Them Stronger

What is a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA)?

In 2019, UPMC conducted Community Health Needs Assessments (CHNAs) for its licensed hospitals in compliance with IRS 501(r) guidelines. Each CHNA incorporates input from community stakeholders and public health experts, and identifies actions and implementation plans to improve community health.

• Listening to the Community
  UPMC invited more than 2,000 local and regional stakeholders to help identify their community’s most pressing health needs.

• Addressing Significant Health Needs
  UPMC partnered with the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health (Pitt Public Health) to conduct CHNAs for 29 licensed hospitals. Public health data findings and community survey results were synthesized to identify priorities at the local level, while supporting four key significant health needs across UPMC communities.

• Making a Measurable Impact
  UPMC’s CHNAs identify important local health issues and support a coordinated, system-wide community health strategy that extends across the region. Through more than 3,000 programs, UPMC is out in the community — visiting fire halls, church festivals, and schools — and advancing health for local residents.

Tackling the Opioid Epidemic with Compassionate Care

UPMC offers integrated services for people with substance use problems, including UPMC’s Pregnancy Recovery Center — which wraps opioid treatment around prenatal care — and the Screening and Motivational Interviewing and Referral to Treatment (SMART) Choices program — which helps pediatricians identify at-risk kids during annual visits. UPMC also supports a hub-and-spoke model to help providers in Erie, Blair, Lycoming, and Clinton counties deliver Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT).

Caring for Rural Communities

UPMC is helping to improve access to health care in rural areas through telemedicine, in-home visits to diabetes patients, and by participating in a pilot program in rural McKean County that aims to support the local hospital, keep health care jobs in the community, and deliver high-quality care to residents who may be isolated.

Supporting Seniors During Their Golden Years

UPMC offers a range of community programs geared toward older adults, from in-home services to caregiver support through the Aging Institute Help and Referral Line, and from education sessions on topics such as living wills and medication management to social gatherings, including bingo and visits to the Pittsburgh and Erie zoos.

Fighting Childhood Obesity

UPMC is promoting healthy eating and active lifestyles for children by launching the Healthy Schools Program at 68 Pittsburgh area schools, helping to implement smarter lunchroom strategies, and “prescribing” park use for local youth to engage in physical activity.