

Report to the Hi-Line Community

Fall 2024

HI-LINE HEALTH FAIRS PROVIDE COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Over the last month, each Logan Health facility in Chester, Cut Bank, Conrad and Shelby have hosted successful community health fairs. Each health fair provided health and wellness resources from Logan Health departments and a variety of local businesses and organizations. These free events offer a wide range of services to the public, such as immunizations, lab draws, health screenings, insurance assistance and more. Vendors from all over the state were encouraged to bring fun prizes, informational hand-outs and an interactive activity or demonstration for all ages to enjoy.



One highlight from the health fairs was when students and staff from local schools arrived, bringing exciting energy as they interacted with and learned from local professionals and health care experts. These community health fairs provide opportunities for community members to meet new people, discover local health and wellness services and stay up to date with immunizations and other health screenings.

LOGAN HEALTH WELCOMES ROBERT A. CLARY, DO, TO PRIMARY CARE CLINIC

Logan Health Clinic – Shelby is proud to announce Robert A. Clary, DO, joined the Shelby medical staff on November 4, 2024, specializing in family medicine and osteopathic manipulative treatment.

"Dr. Clary's unwavering dedication to his patients is valued and appreciated," said Vicki Newmiller, Logan Health – Shelby President. "We know that improving access to quality care in our community is essential, and Dr. Clary's experience will help us meet those access goals."

Dr. Clary began his Doctor of Osteopathy education at the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Mississippi, in 1976 before transferring to Kansas City, Missouri, to attend University of Health Sciences from 1977-1981. Dr. Clary is board-certified by the American Osteopathic Board in Family Medicine and has been practicing medicine in Shelby since July of 1982.

"This new partnership will be an opportunity to expand the range of services my patients can access during their visits and to enhance care coordination with other Logan providers, ensuring a seamless, comprehensive experience for every patient," said Dr. Clary.

Outside of work, Dr. Clary enjoys being around his horses, cow cutting and working around his property.

To schedule an appointment at Logan Health Clinic – Shelby, please call (406) 966-7040.

SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS PROVE TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN ADDRESSING HEALTH NEEDS OF STUDENTS AND STAFF

Since opening the school-based health centers in Conrad and Cut Bank at the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year, each community has experienced the value of having high-quality, convenient care for administration, staff and students right at school to support better academic outcomes.

The school-based health center at Utterback Middle School in Conrad has seen a total of over 1,100 school nurse visits and provided 328 primary care visits since opening in August 2023.

Located in the junior high/high school, Cut Bank's clinic has seen 305 behavioral health appointments and 103 primary care appointments, for a total of 408 visits as of October 2024.

As behavioral health appointments have remained the highest utilization in Cut Bank, an additional licensed clinical professional counselor, Amanda Rasey, LCPC, joined Logan Health – Cut Bank on October 7, 2024, and is now scheduling appointments at the school-based health clinic and at the rural health clinic For more information about Logan Health's School-Based Health Clinics, visit logan.org/schools.



News Briefs —

Logan Health – Shelby receives Stroke Recognition Award

Logan Health – Shelby was recently recognized as one of 18 critical access hospitals in Montana for the Stroke Recognition Award, sponsored by the state health department's Cardiovascular Health Program. Receiving the award confirms Logan Health – Shelby meets high standards related to the utilization of evidence-based stroke order-sets and protocols, laboratory and radiology services 24/7 and a commitment to treating acute stroke patients.

Liberty County participates in SIM-MT simulation

Simulation in Motion Montana (SIM-MT) provided a community wide Mental Health Crisis response simulation in Chester on September 17. Thank you to Liberty County Sheriff's office dispatch and deputy, Liberty County volunteer EMTs and Logan Health – Chester emergency department staff for participating in this training.

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Shelby celebrates new clinic with open house and ribbon cutting

Wednesday, September 11, was a special day as Shelby celebrated the official opening of Logan Health Clinic - Shelby with community members, special quests, patients and Logan Health staff and leaders from across the health care system. Thank you to Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce, KSEN AM 1150, Shelby Promoter, First State Bank of Shelby and Logan Health Assisted Living - Shelby for your generous support. We appreciate our special speakers, including an acknowledgment of 9/11 from Ron Buck and more about Logan Health's commitment and dedication to the community from Mary Ann Harwood, Vicki Newmiller and Molly Asper. Logan Health team members are grateful for the opportunity to have shared this new facility with Governor Greg Gianforte, and we cannot thank the Logan Health - Shelby staff enough for all of their time and effort hosting this great event.

Upcoming Events —

NOVEMBER Diabetes Awareness Month

NOVEMBER Lung Cancer Awareness Month

NOVEMBER Brawl of the Wild Hi-Line Food Drive Competition

NOVEMBER 12 Shelby Assisted Living Facility Holiday Hoedown

Activity Fundraiser 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center

NOVEMBER 21 National Rural Health Day

DECEMBER Cut Bank "Pay It Forward" Month

LOGAN HEALTH – CHESTER WELCOMES NURSE PRACTITIONER, SITE ADMINISTRATOR AND ASSISTED LIVING MANAGER

Amanda Engman has joined Logan Health – Chester as a Nurse Practitioner. Her focus is on family medicine and women's health. Amanda will be seeing clinic patients and providing emergency room coverage. She brings five years of experience as a nurse practitioner, nine years as a registered nurse and six years as a paramedic. She is passionate about serving in the rural communities.

Amanda earned her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Montana State University in 2010 and her Master of Science in Nursing from the University of Cincinnati in 2019.

Outside of work, Amanda enjoys trap shooting and 3D archery. She also enjoys finding adventure around the state, whether that be on a lake, river or her motorcycle.

Josey Smiedala has joined Logan Health – Chester as the Site Administrator. She is excited to join the Logan Health – Chester community full-time. Josey earned her Master of Health Administration (MHA) at Montana State University – Billings in addition to a bachelor's in public relations and marketing. Josey has a background in community outreach and experience in various leadership roles with Billings Clinic and Logan Health – Cut Bank prior to joining the Chester team.

Outside of work, Josey enjoys camping, baking, farming and spending time with her dogs and farm animals.

Jennifer Rideout has accepted the assisted living manager position. Jennifer has been with Logan Health – Chester for more than 20 years.

In her time with Logan Health – Chester, Jennifer has served in many roles and departments including Social Services. Most recently, she has managed the safety and quality, environmental services and activities

departments. She has been a key member on our leadership team and served on many different committees over the years. We are thrilled to have Jennifer lead Logan Health Assisted Living – Chester with her background and experience. She is excited to promote the beautiful facility and the excellent services that it provides to our community.

Outside of work, Jennifer enjoys spending time working in her yard and baking.

We are excited to welcome Amanda, Josey and Jennifer to their new roles at Logan Health – Chester.





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— In The Community —



Logan Health – Shelby physical therapy department teaches Shelby High School med prep students more about the profession of being a physical therapist.



Shelby Area Chamber of Commerce and Logan Health – Shelby leaders and staff cut the ribbon to officially open the doors of the new primary care clinic.



Logan Health – Conrad and Logan Health – Shelby participate in a full-scale mass casualty exercise with local first responders, Logan Health A.L.E.R.T and Benefis Hospital's Mercy Flight.



Logan Health – Cut Bank hosts a community health fair.



Logan Health Assisted Living - Chester residents and bus participate in the Chester-Joplin-Inverness school homecoming parade.