Dominican Home Health Agency saves lives! During a regular visit to a DHHA Wellness Clinic, a patient named Sam revealed that it had been two years since he last saw his primary care physician. He was resistant to the recommendation to go in for regular check-ups. When Mary, DHHA's lead clinic nurse, found his blood pressure to be extremely high, she convinced him to see his doctor right away. DHHA's patient advocate called to make the appointment. Informed of his high blood pressure, the doctor created availability to see Sam the next morning. When Sam visited the Wellness Clinic again about a month later, he reported that he went to the appointment, was prescribed medicine, and already had a follow-up appointment set-up. His blood pressure was now within a healthy range!

DHHA's Wellness Clinics provide various opportunities for seniors and disabled adults living in low-income housing sites to better manage their health. A visit typically involves checking vital signs such as blood pressure, blood sugar, weight, heart rate, and oxygen. Patients can use this to track trends in their health and also share the information with their doctors. Many patients also use this time to talk in a relaxed environment about questions they have regarding their medications, test results they don't fully understand, or symptoms they are worried about but aren't sure if they warrant a hospital visit. Each month also features a new education topic from nutrition and exercise to signs and symptoms of depression.

This year, in addition to administering medication adherence screenings, DHHA has also begun oral health screenings. This helps clinic staff to identify patients who need more assistance in these areas. For these and other gaps in care such as transportation, vision care, meals, and more, DHHA is able to connect patients to other community resources.

### 2018 Outcomes by Program

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Thank you to everyone who supported the 2019 Dominican Derby! Words cannot express the deep gratitude we have for your generosity!

We could not have achieved such great success without our sponsors and our Derby committee. Triple Crown Sponsors: The Catholic Foundation of Northern Colorado and Kevin and Dorota Kilstrom; Home Stretch Sponsors: HealthOne-Rose Medical Center and SCL Health-St. Joseph Hospital; Jockey Sponsors: Ned and Mary Beth Burke and The John and Florence Fortune Family Foundation; and Thoroughbred Sponsors: Kay Drees Burke Family Trust, Julius and Mary Cardosi, Jack and Gina Eberhardt, MDC/Richmond American Homes Foundation, Mittera Group, Physician Health Partners, Dr. John and Dee Prevedel, The Spano Family, St. Dominic Parish and The Gary and Teresa Yourtz Foundation.

Derby committee members: Patsy Botts, Ted Cumpston, Gina Eberhardt, Judy Ganschaw, Jennifer Hilger, Pam Jemapete, Sherrie Vottiero and Kristi Zakrzewski.

Check out event photos at www.DominicanHHA.org

Mark your calendars for the 8th Annual Dominican Derby!
Friday, May 1, 2020
Clinical Staff Members

I have loved getting to know all of the patients over time and seeing them stay in their own homes, rather than having to transition to nursing homes. I’ve also really loved seeing how much care the CNA/PCPs have for patients. It’s remarkable how their kindness shines through everyday tasks like meal preparation, showering, and laundry.

Audriana Wesseln, RN

My patients trust me and treat me like family. Each of them has a special place in my heart!

Elvie Skaro, CNA

I have been a CNA for Dominican Home Health Agency for 10 years. I wake up every day excited because I love taking care of DHHA patients! They are so grateful and appreciative because they know that without DHHA, they would not be able to afford home health.

Herminia Moreno, PCP

Durable Medical Equipment Loan Program

Durable Medical Equipment enhances mobility and self-sufficiency for people. Did you know that even with the most generous insurance coverage, it is unlikely that the entire cost of DME will be covered? Also, there is often a significant lag time between when DME is ordered through insurance and when one receives it. DHHA receives donations of used DME (wheelchairs, walkers, canes, bath benches, hospital beds, and more) from community members and then offers DME loans at no charge.

We’re Growing!

Know any great candidates for these positions? Send them our way!

Registered Nurse
Seeking Bilingual RN for home health visits to support seniors and disabled adults as they age.

Development Assistant
Seeking a dynamic development professional to support Dev. Director with grant writing, event planning, and fundraising campaign execution.

Certified Nurse Aide or Personal Care Provider
Seeking CNA or PCP to conduct home visits to assist seniors with activities of daily living to help them remain safe and independent at home.

Maintenance/DME Support Person
Seeking skilled and handy person for basic walker/wheelchair repairs and facility management.

Be part of our mission-focused dedicated team! Contact Dan at 303-322-1413 ext. 24 today to learn more about these flexible & rewarding positions.

The use of a bath chair or bath transfer bench helps prevent bathroom falls.

DHHA is in need of donations of DME Please spread the word!

You can also donate your old vehicle to give new wheels to those in need. For more information go to: www.DominicanHHA.org Or call us: 303-322-1413 ext. 16

Equipment donations, pick-up, & returns: M-W-F 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
2501 Gaylord St., Denver, CO 80205 (use 25th Ave. gate entrance)

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Our goal is $30,000

Help us to receive $5,000 in matching funds*!
In addition to the match, DHHA can win a $10,000 reward*!

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You can pre-schedule your gift between July 1 and 8!

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