



Prevention and Screening at the Open Door Clinic

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SUSTAINABILITY

To continue this project's focus on immunization and screening, a Kate B. Reynolds Sustainability Grant was awarded to fund a starter supply of Zostavax vaccines. This vaccine protects older adults from Herpes Zoster, also known as Shingles. The purchase of the starter vaccinations allows the Open Door Clinic to apply for replacement vaccines through the Merck Patient Assistance Program.



PURPOSE

- To continue the HIV/STI screening program initiated by past Schweitzer Fellows, Brad Perez and Mirnali Patel, by integrating it into the nursing intake procedure.
- To inform patients about immunization and preventive screening services available at the Open Door Clinic, including:
 - Hepatitis A and B vaccination
 - Pneumovax pneumonia vaccination
 - Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis vaccination
 - HIV/STI testing
 - Pap Smears
 - Mammography referral
- To update patients' medical history to allow volunteer physicians quick access to the past and current medical status of the patient for improved longitudinal care.
- To incorporate a social history and home safety assessment into the clinical intake process.
- To increase awareness to the domestic violence resources available in Wake County.

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