



1969 – 1980

Community leaders Mrs. Sarah Jones, Mr. Lorenzo Roland Sr., Mrs. Coleen Ivey, Dr. Claude Nichols, Mr. William Schirmer and Mr. Peter G. Alapas turned their vision to reality with a part-time clinic staffed by Harrisburg Hospital personnel in the basement of the former Augsburg Lutheran Church. The organizers recognized the importance of the clinic and began to explore longer term funding sources.

1972-1976

Don Spagner, MD becomes medical director of Hamilton Health Center

1973

Renovations were completed and Hamilton began offering full-time services in its new center. Hamilton Health Center at Fulton Street was established and would serve the community in that location for almost 40 years.

1976

Hamilton expands its scope of services to include the WIC program serving all of Dauphin County.

1980-1990

1988

Hamilton becomes the only community health center in Pennsylvania to contract with the Department of Public Welfare (PA Healthmate, Inc.) to provide managed care to Medical Assistance recipients.

1990-2000

Celebrating our Past; Building our Future: 1993

Hamilton's Walnut Street facility opens to provide WIC, dental and medical services to the residents of Dauphin County.

1999

New regulations stating that all Managed Care Organizations (MCO) needed to be licensed by (then) Department of Welfare and carry \$2 million in reserves, so Hamilton Health Center sells Healthmate, their own MCO

2000

Under the leadership and direction of new CEO Jeannine Peterson Hamilton expands services and partners with other organizations to better respond to the needs of Dauphin County residents.

2000-2010

2002

Hamilton receives a grant from the US Department of Health and Human Services and the PA department of Health to provide HIV/AIDS counseling, testing, and treatment services too hard to reach populations.

2004

Hamilton enters into agreement with Harrisburg Housing Authority to provide medical services to Senior Citizens at the Lick building.

2007

With funding from Highmark Foundation, the Harrisburg School District enters into an agreement with Hamilton to provide medical and dental services to the school district students at the newly remodeled Downey Elementary School.

2010-2020

2012

In September 2012, we opened Phase I providing Adult Medical, Dental, and Women's Services, as well as WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) services, Medicine Shoppe Pharmacy and a Quest Diagnostic full-service laboratory.

2014

Phase II of our Capital Campaign increased our size by creating a second floor in the undeveloped wing of our new building. This expansion resulted in a full Pediatrics Department, Social Services, Mental Health Services, Teen Clinic, expansion of our HIV/AIDS program, and a community room, all under one roof.

2016

Our facility voluntarily underwent a thorough evaluation by The Joint Commission. By meeting strict standards, our facility received The Joint Commission Gold Seal of Approval® – an internationally recognized symbol of quality

2017

Hamilton acquires a private physician practice in the Union Deposit area, expanding its geographic footprint to the suburbs of Harrisburg, becoming Union Deposit Family Practice. UPMC Pinnacle provides x-ray, mammography, and ultrasound services at the Corporate Location.

2018

Hamilton celebrates its Grand Opening of Hamilton Family Eyecare at the main location on 17th Street. This completes the state-of-the-art medical mall on 17th street. We have seen hundreds of patients since its inception. For many this is the first time they have ever had an eye exam.

Hamilton celebrates the Grand Opening of Hamilton Health Center of Perry County, the organization's first rural site in Newport, Pennsylvania. With thousands of Medicaid members in Perry County who would normally have to travel to Harrisburg for care, this convenient clinic offers medical, dental, behavioral and recovery services.

2019

Hamilton assumes ownership of UPMC Pinnacle at Millersburg. All the same services, same location and staff are retained. This opens opportunities for Medicaid patients in Northern Dauphin to now join the Hamilton family at the Hamilton Family Care at Millersburg. Hamilton employs 270 staff, serves 30,000+ patients who visit over 110,000 times per year.

2020 –

Hamilton celebrated 50 years of serving the Central PA region with an Anniversary Gala on March 5, 2020. At the gala we showcased our plans for expansion into adding new areas to serve the community including a new food educational kitchen and drop off center, a workforce development area, expanded Women’s and Babies Center and more.