



2006 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

Bridging Gaps in Health Care Access

Who we are:

The mission of the Pacific Hospital Preservation & Development Authority is to champion effective health care for the vulnerable and disadvantaged in our community. The PHPDA works to close gaps in health disparities for the full continuum of health care services.



In 1981, the City of Seattle chartered the PHPDA, placing in its trust the Pacific Hospital and its surrounding campus, a historic Seattle landmark. The PHPDA leases out the property, and lease revenues are used to support charity health care programs in King County.

What we do:

1. The PHPDA works in partnership with other organizations to improve health care access for our community.
2. We focus on improving access for people with no health insurance, particularly those who need specialty care.
3. We support culturally appropriate health care in partnership with other community organizations.
4. We are a steward of the public interest in the use of lease and grant revenues to improve health care access.

Our programs and projects:

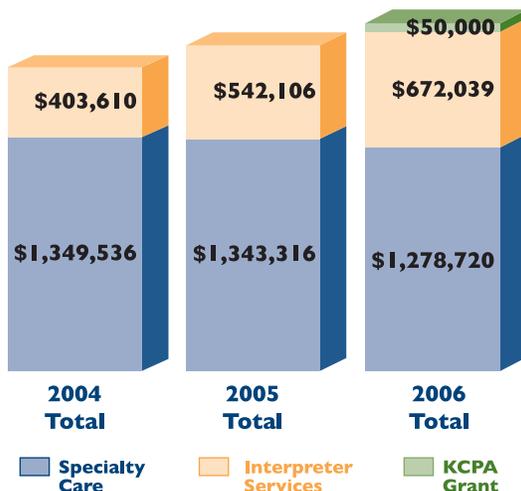
Access to specialty care

Patient Assistance Program at Pacific Medical Centers

The Patient Assistance Program provides specialty health care to low-income, uninsured patients who are not eligible for public insurance. In 2006, the PHPDA provided almost \$1.28 million, through a contract with Pacific Medical Centers, to underwrite specialty care services for the uninsured. In 2007, the PHPDA is funding a Referral Systems Study to look at ways to improve access to specialty care for low-income, uninsured patients.

In 2006, the PHPDA provided more than \$2 million to underwrite specialty care and interpreter services for the uninsured.

Use of Program Funds



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King County Project Access

The PHPDA made a \$50,000 grant to King County Project Access (KCPA), which KCPA was able to leverage for additional funding. KCPA encourages donations of charity health care for the uninsured by local specialist physicians. The program model is founded on physicians volunteering their time to see patients for free, and on other community partners, such as hospitals, donating the additional medical services needed. Physicians volunteer to care for a proportional “share” of the uninsured population, typically 10 primary care patients or 20 specialty care patients per year. In 2007, the PHPDA continues to support King County Project Access with a grant for \$100,000.

Culturally appropriate health care

Interpreter Services for Patients

The PHPDA provided funding for interpreters at more than 9,900 Medicaid appointments in 2006 through an Interpreter Services program, which is partially funded by the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services. (The PHPDA contracts with

Pacific Medical Centers to provide the interpreter services to Medicaid clients with limited English proficiency or hearing impairment.) Funding for this program in 2006 was more than \$672,000.

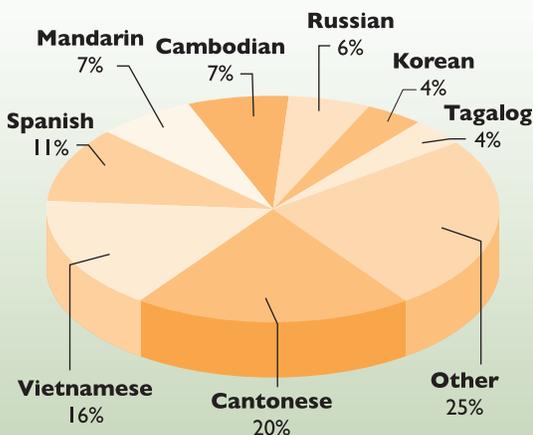
Interpreter Services Database

In 2006, the PHPDA embarked on a new project to develop a medical interpreter database for use by health care organizations in the Puget Sound region. The database project will pool interpreter resources for participating organizations including Harborview Medical Center, Pacific Medical Centers, Public Health of Seattle-King County and the University of Washington.

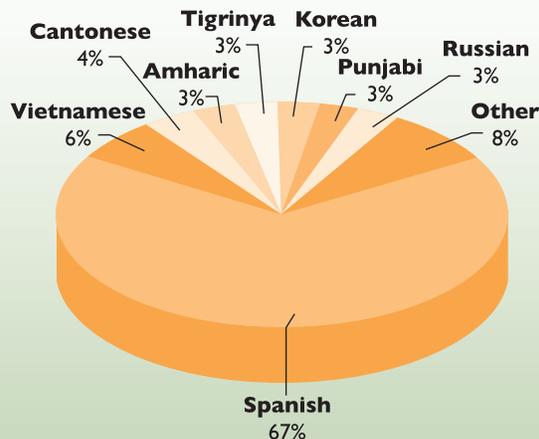
Property Stewardship

As part of the responsibility to maintain the historic property, the PHPDA undertook a multiphase evaluation of the property. The study reviewed existing maintenance practices and the current condition of the buildings. The PHPDA will continue to monitor the maintenance practices of its two lessees, as part of its property stewardship responsibility.

Languages Used for Interpretation at Medicaid Patient Visits



Languages Used for Interpretation at Uninsured Patient Visits



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