The Mount Sinai Health System

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Community Service Plan, 2019-2021
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The Mount Sinai Health System is an integrated health care system providing exceptional medical care to our local and global communities.

Mount Sinai encompasses the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai and eight hospital campuses in the New York metropolitan area, as well as a large, regional ambulatory footprint. The hospital campuses include Mount Sinai Beth Israel, Mount Sinai Brooklyn, The Mount Sinai Hospital, Mount Sinai Queens, Mount Sinai Morningside, Mount Sinai West, New York Eye and Ear Infirmary of Mount Sinai, and South Nassau Communities Hospital.

Mount Sinai is internationally acclaimed for its excellence in research, patient care, and education across a range of specialties.

The Mount Sinai Health System was created from the combination of the Mount Sinai Medical Center and Continuum Health Partners, which both agreed unanimously to combine the two entities in July 2013. The Health System is designed to increase efficiencies and economies of scale; improve quality and outcomes; and expand access to advanced primary, specialty, and ambulatory care services throughout a wide clinical network. The Mount Sinai Health System includes more than 7,200 physicians, including general practitioners and specialists; more than 2,000 residents and clinical fellows; 13 free-standing joint venture centers, including 6 endoscopy centers, 5 ambulatory surgery centers, and 2 urgent care joint ventures.

Mount Sinai also features a robust and continually expanding network of multispecialty services, including more than 400 ambulatory practice locations throughout the five boroughs of New York City, Westchester, and Long Island. With an extraordinary array of resources for the provision of compassionate, state-of-the-art care, the Mount Sinai Health System is poised to identify and respond to the health-related needs of the diverse populations we serve.
Our Mission
Why we exist; why the world will be different because we are here
The mission of the Mount Sinai Health System is to provide compassionate patient care with seamless coordination and to advance medicine through unrivaled education, research, and outreach in the many diverse communities we serve.

Vision
Who we want to become; what we want to achieve or create
The Mount Sinai Health System’s vision is to continue to grow and challenge conventional wisdom through our pioneering spirit, scientific advancements, forward-thinking leadership, and collaborative approach to providing exceptional patient care in the many unique communities we serve.

Brand Promise
The net benefit we deliver to those we serve
Mount Sinai is the choice for groundbreaking and compassionate health care. Our unrivaled education, translational research, and collaborative clinical leadership ensure that we deliver the best patient care—from prevention to treatment of the most serious and complex human diseases.

Brand Positioning
Who we serve, what we provide, and how we’re different
At Mount Sinai, we reimagine what is possible and redefine the practice of modern medicine, both in our local community and across the world, in order to produce the only result that really matters: radically better outcomes for our patients.
A teaching hospital founded in 1889 on Manhattan’s Lower East Side, Mount Sinai Beth Israel is notable for its unique approach to combining medical excellence with clinical innovation. We have recruited world-class specialists to expand services in heart disease, cancer, neurology, and orthopedics. We also continue our long tradition of excellence in medical specialties, including gastrointestinal disease, chemical dependency, psychiatric disorders, pain management and palliative care, and HIV/AIDS research and treatment. We have also significantly advanced our commitment to community-based ambulatory care and expanding patient access to primary and specialty care.
Mount Sinai Is Transforming Care Downtown

Centered around the new Mount Sinai Beth Israel hospital and featuring a river-to-river integrated network of outpatient facilities, we are investing over $1 billion to transform care Downtown to ensure every Mount Sinai patient can get the care they need, when and where they need it.

### New Mount Sinai Beth Israel Hospital
- Medical/Surgical and Critical Care beds
- State-of-the-art suite of operating and procedure rooms
- Full Service Emergency department equipped to handle heart attack and stroke
- Pediatric emergency department and observation unit
- Brand new imaging and laboratory technology and services

### Enhanced Downtown Network
- 16 Outpatient Care Sites
- Over 50 Primary Care and Specialty Practices
- The Martha Stewart Center for Living at Union Square
- Urgent Care at Mount Sinai Union Square
- The Mount Sinai National Jewish Health Respiratory Institute
- Mount Sinai Heart
- Mount Sinai Thyroid Center
- The Blavatnik Family-Chelsea Medical Center at Mount Sinai
- Mount Sinai Doctors Stuyvesant Town
- Mount Sinai Doctors Delancey Street (Coming in December)

### New Mount Sinai Comprehensive Behavioral Health Center
A one-stop facility for the mental health, addiction, physical health and social service needs of the Downtown community.

#### CURRENT SERVICES
- Primary Care
- Inpatient Psychiatric Beds
- Extended Observation Beds
- Inpatient Detox
- Inpatient Rehab
- Outpatient Mental Health Clinic
- Outpatient Addiction Clinic and Rehab
- Ambulatory Detoxification
- Assertive Community Treatment

#### NEW SERVICES
- Intensive Crisis and Respite Beds
- Partial Hospitalization Program
- Intensive Outpatient Program
- Mobile and In-Home Services
- BH Care Engagement Teams
Mount Sinai Brooklyn, a 212-bed acute-care community hospital located in Midwood, has gone through numerous renovations and upgrades over the past decade to expand its scope of services. The latest advances include a completely redesigned intensive care unit, a new 128-slice CT scanner, MRI services, new digital mammography equipment, and a new state-of-the-art radiology suite. The hospital’s emergency department also serves as a major hub of activity and a critical community resource. The hospital enjoys an excellent reputation in such specialties as cardiac care, geriatric care, gastroenterology, general surgery, gynecology and orthopedics.

Mount Sinai Brooklyn is thrilled to announce that under the supervision of Vaad Hakashrus of Flatbush, our kitchen and related facilities are now fully kosher for all patients and staff. In addition, Mount Sinai Brooklyn has installed a Shabbos elevator and now has a very active and vibrant Bikur Cholim with a dedicated room. As always, we remain committed to the members of our community and we look forward to serving you.
New York State Requirements

New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) requires all non-profit hospitals to prepare a similar report, called a Community Service Plan (CSP), which must also include a CHNA which must be conducted every three-years, identifying health priorities in their communities. Non-profit hospitals are also required to develop an implementation plan addressing these needs, and to fulfill the requirements of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) regulations pursuant to the Affordable Care Act (ACA), and for New York State hospitals, Community Service Plan required by Section 2803-l of the State Public Health Law.

The Prevention Agenda 2019-2024 is New York State’s health improvement plan, the blueprint for state and local action to improve the health and well-being of all New Yorkers and promote health equity across populations who experience disparities. The priorities include:

- Prevent Chronic Diseases
- Promote a Healthy and Safe Environment
- Promote Healthy Women, Infants, and Children
- Promote Well-Being and Prevent Mental and Substance Uses Disorders
- Prevent Communicable Diseases

The CHNA was conducted and completed on December 31, 2017, by Verite Healthcare Consulting, LLC. The Implementation Strategy was adopted by The Mount Sinai Hospital Governing Board on May 15, 2018. A full CHNA and Implementation Strategy were made widely available to the public and can be accessed at: https://www.mountsinai.org/locations/beth-israel/about/community.

Recognizing that hospitals and health systems often mutually serve the same communities, for this assessment, Mount Sinai Beth Israel collaborated with other hospitals in the Health System, including The Mount Sinai Hospital, Mount Sinai Queens, Mount Sinai Morningside, and Mount Sinai West. These hospitals work collaboratively and developed CHNAs that outline health priorities throughout the five boroughs. This collaborative process offers:

- Increased collaboration among local hospitals/health systems serving the region
- Reduced duplication of activities and community burden from participation in multiple community meetings
- Reduced hospital/health system costs in CHNA report development
- Opportunities for shared learning
- Establishment of a strong foundation for coordinated efforts to address highest priority community needs

In our Health System, each hospital is dedicated to the community it serves. Each hospital conducted a CHNA to understand its current community health needs and to inform strategies designed to improve community health, including initiatives designed to address social determinants of health. These assessments also comply with federal laws and regulatory requirements that apply to tax-exempt hospitals.

To enhance clarity, the acronyms listed below are used throughout this document.

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Mount Sinai Beth Israel’s community is comprised of 40 ZIP Codes encompassing sections of both the boroughs of Brooklyn and Manhattan. Mount Sinai Beth Israel is comprised of two campuses, Mount Sinai Beth Israel, located on the Lower East Side of Manhattan, and Mount Sinai Brooklyn, located in the borough of Brooklyn. The CHNA applies to the community collectively served by both facilities. The community assessed, divides into neighborhoods utilized by the NYCDOH; ten of these 42 neighborhoods in New York City are located in MSBI’s community.

In 2015, MSBI’s community estimated to have a population of approximately 1.7 million people. The community definition is validated based on the geographic origins of discharges from MSBI - Manhattan and MS - Brooklyn. In 2016, the community collectively accounted for 60 percent of MSBI’s overall inpatient discharges and 64 percent of MSBI’s New York City inpatient discharges.
The Mount Sinai Health System has a proud tradition of serving the community and providing significant resources towards community benefit activities. Mount Sinai will continue to address health needs in the community, through a wide variety of initiatives, including health education, screenings, and customized programs.

New York State Prevention Agenda Priorities

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Objective 4.1.1:
By December 31, 2024, Mount Sinai Health System aims to increase breast cancer screening rates by 5 percent to women with an annual household income less than $25,000 based on the most recent guidelines.

Interventions/Strategies/Activities:
- Provide culturally targeted intervention workshops and education sessions in multiple languages including English, Spanish, Mandarin, Cantonese, and French.
- Offer onsite mobile mammography screenings at work sites, in non-clinical settings, onsite translation and patient navigation support, and offer flexible hours to remove barriers for screening.
- Provide cancer support services to help patients manage their distress that may arise from physical symptoms, emotional issues, and spiritual concerns they may experience with cancer.

Disparities: Access to health care; medically underserved/uninsured populations

Family of Measures - Short-Term Outcomes:
- Monitor program performance annually, including number of people screened through the Mobile Mammography Van and Breast Health Programs, number of people participated in health education sessions, and health fairs events.
- Monitor select indicators as part of Prevention Agenda Priority: Prevent Chronic Diseases.

Programs/Services:
- Dubin Breast Center of the Tisch Cancer Institute
- Mobile Mammography Van Program
- Ruttenberg Treatment Center
- Mount Sinai Queens Breast Health Program
- Cancer Supportive Services/Support Groups
- National Cancer Survivors Day
- Esperanza y Vida and the Witness Project of Harlem™
- Women's Cancer Program at Blavatnik Center

Collaborations: Hospitals and Organizations
- New York State Cancer Services Program
- American Cancer Society
- Head and Neck Cancer Alliance
- Mount Sinai Beth Israel
- Mount Sinai Morningside
- Mount Sinai West
- Mount Sinai-Union Square
- Local Community Health Centers
- Federally Qualified Health Centers, and clinics
- SHAREing & CAREing

Implementation Partners:
- Consumers
- Community-based organizations
- Faith-based organizations

Partner Role and Resources:
- Provide the appropriate venue, recruit participants from surrounding communities, and assist with outreach efforts.

Commitment of Resources:
- Direct support for programs and activities
- Health Professionals Education
- Community health improvement activities
- Subsidized health services
- Indirect and in-kind support
- Services to Medicaid enrollees
- Facilities usage for support groups and health education meetings, and health promotion events

Mount Sinai Cancer offers the most advanced cancer care. Our dedicated team of cancer specialists treat rare forms of the disease and common types of cancer including breast, prostate, skin, and lung, among others. Each patient diagnosed with cancer receives a personalized treatment plan. We provide medication, surgery, and radiation oncology as needed. We integrate the latest research findings from studies conducted at Mount Sinai's Tisch Cancer Institute, a National Cancer Institute (NCI) Designated Cancer Center.

FOCUS AREA 4: Chronic Disease Preventive Care and Management
GOAL 4.1: Increase cancer screening rates

CANCER is the second leading cause of death in the United States.

According to New York State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan 2018-2023, each year, nearly 110,000 New Yorkers learn they have cancer, and around 35,000 succumb to the disease, making it the second leading cause of death in the state. Risks of developing or dying from various cancers often differ depending on race or ethnicity and socioeconomic status. In New York State, the leading causes of cancer deaths are lung, female breast, prostate, and colorectal cancers.
Cardiovascular Disease and Stroke

Objective 4.2.1:
- By December 31, 2024, Mount Sinai Health System aims to increase the percentage of adults with chronic conditions (cardiovascular disease, diabetes, prediabetes and obesity) who have taken a course or class to learn how to manage their condition.

Interventions/Strategies/Activities:
- Expand community-based outreach services on health education events related to heart health, stroke prevention and diabetes.
- Offer blood pressure screening, cholesterol testing, result/consultation; nutrition and diet counseling, and more at the annual Go Red for Women health fair sponsored system-wide by Mount Sinai Heart.
- Expand access to evidence-based, self-management interventions for individuals with chronic disease (cardiovascular disease, diabetes, prediabetes, and obesity).
- Increase awareness of diabetes prevention, good nutrition, healthy eating, benefits of exercising, weight management and controlling stress levels.

Disparities: Access to health care; medically underserved/uninsured populations

Family of Measures - Short-Term Outcomes:
- Monitor program performance annually, including number of community screenings and health education events held, number of participants enrolled in self-management classes to prevent and control their diabetes.
- Monitor select indicators as part of Prevention Agenda Priority: Prevent Chronic Diseases

Programs/Services:
- Mount Sinai Heart
- Mount Sinai Diabetes Program
- Stroke Awareness Week
- FAMILIA Project
- Harlem Heart Health Series
- Mount Sinai Stroke Centers
- Gilda’s Club New York City
- National High Blood Pressure Education Month

Collaborations: Hospitals and Organizations
- American Heart Association
- American Stroke Association
- American Association of Diabetes Educators
- Mount Sinai Beth Israel
- Mount Sinai Morningside
- Mount Sinai West
- Gilda’s Club New York City

Implementation Partners:
- Local community organizations
- Faith-based organizations

Partner Role and Resources:
- Provide appropriate venues, recruit participants from surrounding communities, and assist with outreach efforts.

Commitment of Resources:
- Direct support for programs and activities
- Health Professions Education
- Community health improvement activities
- Subsidized health services
- Indirect and in-kind support
- Services to Medicaid enrollees
- Facilities usage for support groups and health education meetings, and health promotion events

Making a Measureable Impact in the Community
- Community-wide events - Go Red for Women campaign – sponsored by Mount Sinai Heart, World Stroke Day, and High Blood Pressure and Stroke Awareness fair
- Offer monthly diabetes self-management classes to increase awareness of diabetes prevention, learn about good nutrition, healthy eating, how to read food labels, benefits of exercise, weight and stress levels, and implementing self-care for those with type 2 diabetes
- Continue to maintain stroke certification requirements per JCAHO Disease Specific Certification as a Primary Stroke Center

Mount Sinai is recognized as a leader in stroke research and treatment. The Mount Sinai Stroke Centers are dedicated to providing world-class care for both the treatment and prevention of stroke and other cardiovascular disorders. Experts across the Mount Sinai Health System are dedicated to community outreach and education and provide a variety of opportunities for patients, families, and the public to learn about stroke care, stroke prevention, and life after stroke.

The Mount Sinai Hospital and Mount Sinai Queens continue to maintain stroke certifications per requirements of JCAHO Disease Specific Certification as a Primary Stroke Center.

Mount Sinai Heart is ranked 9th nationally for Cardiology & Heart Surgery by U.S. News & World Report. At Mount Sinai Heart, we believe in preventing heart problems from happening in the first place. To that end, we have established a wide range of cardiovascular disease screenings as well as health education and prevention programs. We offer both diagnostic activities and prevention services to help you make important lifestyle changes.

The American Heart Association’s 2020 Impact Goal is to improve cardiovascular health of all Americans by 20 percent while reducing deaths from cardiovascular disease and stroke by 20 percent.

Mount Sinai is the Fifth Leading cause of death in the United States, and the leading cause of serious long-term disability.

Heart Disease is the leading cause of death in the United States.

Stroke is the Fifth Leading cause of death in the United States, and the leading cause of serious long-term disability.
Objectives:
2.2:1: By December 31, 2024, Mount Sinai Health System aims to increase age-adjusted Buprenorphine prescribing rate for substance use disorder (SUD) from 20 to 43.8 percent per 1,000 population.
2.5.1: By December 31, 2024, Mount Sinai Health System aims to help reduce the age-adjusted suicide mortality rate from 10 to 7 percent per 100,000 population.

Interventions/Strategies/Activities:
1. Mount Sinai Health System Behavioral Health Crisis Pilot Primary Intervention:
   - Rapid response to behavioral health crises in the community via Mobile Crisis Teams.
   - Increased more rapid referral and connection to outpatient behavioral health providers of community members in acute behavioral health crisis.
2. Increase availability of, access, and linkages to medication-assisted treatment (MAT) including Buprenorphine.

Disparities:
Access to preventative behavioral health visits for underserved/uninsured populations.

Family of Measures - Short-Term Outcomes:
- Response time of Mobile Crisis Team for crisis referrals
- Number of referrals to outpatient Behavioral Health providers and community-based services.
- Priority: Promote Well-Being and Prevent Mental and Substance Use Disorders

Programs/Services:
- Emergency Behavioral Health Services
- Partial Hospital Program
- Children Behavioral Health and Science Center
- Inpatient Treatments (Mount Sinai Beth Israel and Mount Sinai West)
- Outpatient Treatments (Mount Sinai Beth Israel, Mount Sinai Morningside, and Mount Sinai West)
- Medication-Assisted Treatment Programs (Mount Sinai Beth Israel and Mount Sinai West)
- Adolescents and Young Adults Programs (Mount Sinai West and Mount Sinai Morningside)
- REACH Program (The Mount Sinai Hospital)

Collaborations: Hospitals and Organizations
- New York State Office of Mental Health
- New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services
- New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Implementation Partners:
- Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Addiction Institute at Mount Sinai, Mount Sinai Beth Israel, Mount Sinai Morningside, and Mount Sinai West
- Crisis centers and Services
- Health care providers

Partner Role and Resources:
- Part of Pilot Governance/Steering Group, will jointly oversee all pilot activities.
- Office of Mental Health/Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services/Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Commitment of Resources:
- Direct support for programs and activities
- Health Professions Education
- Community health improvement activities
- Subsidized health services
- Indirect and in-kind support
- Services to Medicaid enrollees
- Facilities usage for support groups and health education meetings, and health promotion events

Making a Measureable Impact in the Community
- Offer community health education related to mental and behavioral health issues
- Decrease the stigma associated with mental illness
- Increase awareness of available resources for recovery
- Provide direct access for those experiencing a mental health crisis
Priority Area: Prevent Communicable Diseases

**FOCUS AREA 1:** Vaccine Preventable Diseases  
**GOAL 1.1:** Improve vaccination rates

Anyone can get the flu (even healthy people) and serious problems related to the flu can happen at any age, but some people are a higher risk of developing serious flu-related complications if they get sick. This includes people 65 years and older, people with certain chronic medical conditions, pregnant women, and young children. CDC recommends the most important step to prevent the flu is by getting a flu vaccine each year.

The reduction of vaccine-preventable diseases is an extremely important public health goal achieved through immunization. Although vaccine-preventable disease rates are low in New York State and in the US, the prevalence of certain diseases is beginning to increase due to pockets of under-immunization and global travel.

**Objective:**  
1.1.4: By December 31, 2024, Mount Sinai Beth Israel aims to increase the aged-adjusted influenza immunization rates of New Yorkers aged 65+ and older by 10 percent to 76 percent.

**Interventions/Strategies/Activities:**
- Flu vaccine is offered at no cost to seniors.
- Provide health information on flu prevention tips.
- Provide information on protecting seniors in flu season.
- Offer vaccines in locations and hours that are convenient to the public and accessible in neighborhoods accessible to high-risk populations.

**Disparities:** Senior populations, low-income individuals, and at-risk populations.

**Family of Measures - Short-Term Outcomes:**
- Monitor program performance annually, including the number of individuals screened. Outcome data and other select indicators monitored as part of Prevent Communicable Diseases Priority Area.

**Programs/Services:**
- Flu Clinics

**Collaborations: Hospitals and Organizations**
- Mount Sinai Beth Israel
- Karpas Health Information Center

**Implementation Partners:**
- Neighborhood leaders
- Community-based organizations
- Elected officials

**Partner Role and Resources:**
- Provide appropriate space at no-cost for the event, recruit participants from surrounding communities, and assist with outreach efforts.

**Commitment of Resources:**
- Direct support for programs and activities
- Health Professions Education
- Community Health Improvement Activities
- Subsidized Health Services
- Indirect and in-kind support
- Services to Medicaid enrollees
- Usage of facilities for support group meetings, health education, and health promotion events
Programs and Initiatives around Mount Sinai Health System

The Mount Sinai Cancer care team is committed to providing the highest-quality cancer care available using a comprehensive range of diagnostic, therapeutic, and support services. We have one of the top cancer programs in the United States, ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* Best Hospitals survey.

Because our physicians and faculty are actively involved in cancer research at the Mount Sinai’s Tisch Cancer Institute, a National Cancer Institute-Designated Cancer Center, we provide patients access to clinical breakthroughs, leading-edge technologies, and the safest, most effective treatment options.

**Dubin Breast Center of the Tisch Cancer Institute at Mount Sinai** offers a full range of state-of-the-art breast health services as well as other specialized services including access to national breast cancer clinical trials, psychosocial counseling services, support programs for patients and families, genetic counseling and testing, nutritional counseling, wellness programs, and survivorship support.

**Women’s Cancer Program located in the Blavatnik Family – Chelsea Medical Center** is world-class care that is only minutes from your home or work. When you enter our treatment center, the atmosphere resembles a boutique hotel than a cancer center – it is welcoming, intimate, and comforting. Everything we do is on an outpatient basis, so you can go home the same day you are treated. To help ensure that we make an accurate diagnosis, we perform various tests and procedures ranging from a clinical physical breast examination to advanced digital tomosynthesis imaging and various types of biopsy. If you receive a breast cancer diagnosis, we have a team of specialists that can help design a treatment plan that works for you.

**The Mobile Mammography Van** provides early breast cancer detection services and breast health education to women in medically underserved communities throughout the five boroughs of New York City. The self-contained van provides state-of-the-art digital mammography services to women 40 years and over. Programs are available in multiple languages, including English, Spanish, Mandarin, Cantonese, and French. In 2019, the Mobile Mammography program offered breast cancer screenings and health education events over a period of 120 days to women throughout New York City. All abnormal cases are scheduled for follow-up care in their respective boroughs.
Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Health Fair
Approximately 500 people were able to learn about self-care and risk factors associated with gynecologic cancer. Information on nutrition, spiritual care, yoga, and cancer support groups were also available.

Center for Head and Neck Cancer conducted free oral cancer exams to approximately 120 participants, on-site throughout the Mount Sinai Health System. The Head and Neck Alliance provided health education materials in English and Spanish.

Skin Cancer Awareness Month and Melanoma Monday
The Department of Dermatology will arm the public with vital tips on skin health prevention, along with free on-site skin cancer screenings across the Health System. Approximately 145 people participated in the screening, 39 abnormal results were further tested, and follow-up appointments were scheduled.

National Cancer Survivors Day® is a celebration for those who have survived, an inspiration for those recently diagnosed, a gathering of support for families, and an outreach to the community. The pop music classic “Bridge Over Troubled Water” took on an added message of hope and resilience at the luncheon when sung by an accomplished musician who is also a breast cancer survivor. Approximately, 200 cancer survivors, their families, and friends attended.

Mount Sinai Queens Breast Health Program provides comprehensive clinical breast exams and mammograms to women 40 years of age and older. The program is available at no cost to women who are medically underserved or underinsured/uninsured in western Queens, through the New York State Cancer Services.

Esperanza y Vida (Hope and Life) and the Witness Project of Harlem™ The Esperanza y Vida (Hope and Life) and the Witness Project of Harlem™ programs provide information to Latino and African American women about breast and cervical cancer prevention and early detection.

Asian Services at Mount Sinai honors the health needs of the Asian American community by providing easy and seamless access to high quality inpatient and outpatient care as well as support services. Our personalized approach ensures the best possible experience for both patients and referring physicians. We collaborate with physicians to provide the most effective and coordinated care.

Women’s Health Community Outreach Addressing Health Disparities Improving Health
A Free Throw Challenge Helps Raise Awareness for Kidney Disease - A March Madness theme free throw challenge helped raise awareness for kidney cancer and kidney health. Approximately 200 individuals participated in the annual event.

Raising Awareness about Colon Cancer, visitors were able to walk through a 30-ft. inflatable model of a colon provided by the colon Cancer Challenge Foundation. The famous “Rollin’ Colon” exhibits polyps and other signs of colon cancer. Approximately 1,000 participants received health information on prevention and screening, and information about the procedure.

Push-Up Challenge Brings Awareness to Prostate Health at Mount Sinai - Hosted annually by the Department of Urology commemorating Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in September, each individual was challenged to complete 29 pushups in honor of the 29,000 men who die from prostate cancer in the United States each year. Prostate health education materials and information on scheduling appointments were available.

Lung Cancer Awareness Month - “The Lungs for Life” event helped raise awareness about lung health and the benefits of low-dose lung screening for current and former smokers. Some 600 participants received information on lung health education, and 30 people signed up for further lung screening. The screenings can identify health problems before symptoms begin. Lung cancer is easier to treat when discovered early. Regular lung screenings can help you stay healthy.

Cancer Support Services - The Mount SinaiHealth System helps patients manage the distress that may arise from physical symptoms, emotional issues, and spiritual concerns that you experience with cancer. The goal is to provide the types of services that contribute to your positive outlook and well-being. Mount Sinai’s team includes highly skilled and caring nurses, social workers, psychiatrists, dietitians, chaplains, and experts in palliative care, pain medicine, and integrative medicine.

Mount Sinai’s Ruttenberg Treatment Center offers a wide range of outpatient services for all cancer diagnoses, with the exception of breast cancer. Your care team will include medical oncologists, who are supported by physician assistants, nurse practitioners, social workers, a nutritionist, and a patient experience manager—all with specialized training in oncology. We offer access to leading-edge clinical trials and cancer treatments.

The Tisch Cancer Institute – Clinical Trails Office offers a wide range of clinical trials, Phase I, II, and III for patients with cancer. Clinical trials are research studies that involve humans. These studies test new ways to prevent, detect, diagnose, or treat diseases. Choosing to participate in a clinical trial is an important personal decision – and a voluntary one.
Programs and Initiatives around Mount Sinai Health System

Ranked 6th nationally for Cardiology & Heart Surgery by U.S. News & World Report, Mount Sinai Heart at The Mount Sinai Hospital, is celebrated internationally as a world leader in all facets of cardiology care, cardiac surgery, and advanced research.

Mount Sinai Queens celebrated Go Red for Women Day

Going Red For Women’s Health

February is “American Heart Month.” Every year, Mount Sinai Heart celebrates by participating in the American Heart Association’s Go Red for Women campaign, designed to raise awareness of heart disease among women. Mount Sinai Heart sponsored Go Red for Women Day® at five different Mount Sinai Health System locations across New York City on Friday, February 1. The health fairs attracted more than 1,000 participants, provided free screenings for blood pressure, total cholesterol, triglyceride levels, and body mass index (BMI), diabetes education, healthy eating tips and more. The American Heart Association’s Go Red campaign, aims to raise awareness of heart disease, the No. 1 killer of women worldwide.

Mount Sinai-Union Square

The Mount Sinai Hospital

MaryAnn McLaughlin, MD, MPH, Medical Director, Cardiac Health Program, Mount Sinai Health System, left; and Beth Oliver, DNP, RN, Senior Vice President of Cardiac Services, Mount Sinai Health System.
FAMILIA Project is a multi-faceted program designed to promote cardiovascular health in Harlem and the Bronx of New York City. Taking a family-centered approach, we are working to develop a culture of health in these high-risk populations. The goal is to reduce each child’s future risk of obesity, heart attack, stroke, and type 2 diabetes by creating a family-based “culture of health.” The project focus was to enroll 600 children ages 3 to 5 in participating New York City preschools, along with 1,000 of their caregivers, in high-risk communities. The program is partly based on and adapted from educational initiatives by Sesame Workshop and the Foundation for Science Health, and Education.

Women’s Heart NY is a multi-site comprehensive heart program designed specifically for women who are at-risk or have a history of heart disease. We offer diagnostic tests and treatments for a wide spectrum of heart diseases, including coronary artery disease, valvular heart disease, arrhythmias, and congestive heart failure.

Harlem Healthy Hearts Series conducts ongoing education and wellness workshops to increase awareness of cardiac risk factors and their manifestations, healthy nutrition, novel approaches to shopping and preparing meals, and demonstrate ways to eliminate risk factors. The Series also provides free blood pressure, cholesterol, and glucose testing.

Educating the Community about High Blood Pressure and Stroke, many people in our community have no idea their blood pressure is elevated, putting them at risk for heart attacks and strokes. High blood pressure is treatable; the goal of treatment is not simply to lower blood pressure but to prevent additional health issues. We treat high blood pressure with lifestyle changes and, when necessary, medication. Experts across Mount Sinai Health System provide community education programs that consist of several different components including: information on what is a stroke and how it can impact your life, stroke warning signs, risk factors, stroke prevention tips, and controllable risk factors such as smoking, high blood pressure, obesity, high cholesterol, and poor diet.

Mount Sinai Heart provides cardiovascular medicine and advanced diagnostic and therapeutic technologies; conducts cardiovascular health-related research; and offer a wide range of cardiovascular disease screenings, health education, and prevention programs throughout the Mount Sinai Health System.
At Mount Sinai-Union Square, we invite you to explore the free support services we offer to you as part of your health care regimen. We offer the following menu of empowerment, support, and wellness programs at Mount Sinai-Union Square: Art therapy, Yoga for Women, Reiki: Living Light™, Chemo Brain Workshops, Legal Health-New York Legal Assistance Group Clinic, Malecare, Lymphedema Workshop, and Spanish Speaking Workshops.

Martha Stewart Center for Living offers a variety of health promotion and disease prevention programs that specialize in working with older adults. We provide expert consultation and share connections to healthy living activities, educational programs, and community referrals.

Mount Sinai Visiting Doctors Program delivers comprehensive primary care throughout Manhattan to an underserved segment of the population—homebound adults, consisting of geriatrics patients, as well as those with psychiatric, neurological, complex, and terminal illnesses. Our team also reaches out to families and caregivers to offer emotional support and counseling.

Mount Sinai Stroke Centers are dedicated to providing world-class care for both the treatment and prevention of stroke and other cardiovascular disorders. Experts across the Mount Sinai Health System are dedicated to community outreach and education, and provide a variety of opportunities for patients, families, and the public to learn about stroke care, prevention, and life after stroke.

Mount Sinai Clinical Diabetes Institute provides highly specialized care for people with diabetes and related conditions. The Mount Sinai Hospital is highly ranked as seventh for 2019-2020 among all U.S. Hospitals for Diabetes/Endocrinology by U.S. News & World Report. At Mount Sinai, our goal is to empower our patients. We offer a series of classes that help you take control of your disease. Our multicultural and multilingual nurses, nurse practitioners, and dietitians, all of whom are certified diabetes educators, teach our classes. Our curriculum helps you learn how to prevent complications, control your diabetes, and thrive.
Annual Brain Awareness Fair is a global campaign created to promote public awareness of brain research. “With Alzheimer’s, the brain just shrinks?” asked one curious 14 year old as he touched human tissue from a normal brain and compared it to the smaller brain displaying Alzheimer’s disease.

Addiction Institute of Mount Sinai can help if you or your loved one is facing the challenges of addiction. We provide comprehensive and personalized care. Our centers treat people with addictions to alcohol, substances, and behaviors such as compulsive eating or gambling. We offer services throughout New York City, in clinics associated with our centers. We are located at Mount Sinai Morningside, Mount Sinai West, Mount Sinai Beth Israel, and The Mount Sinai Hospital.

Behavioral Health is a comprehensive network located throughout the Mount Sinai Health System. Through dynamic integration of clinical care, cutting-edge science, and education, the department delivers expert care for adult, adolescent, and pediatric patients with a range of mental health conditions. From addiction to schizophrenia, Mount Sinai’s Department of Behavioral Health provides psychiatric treatment through an array of specialized programs and services.

REACH (Respectful and Equitable Access to Comprehensive Healthcare) provides a patient-centered, harm reduction approach to primary care for persons who use alcohol and other drugs, and for individuals living with hepatitis C virus (HCV) infection. REACH offers overdose prevention services, access to buprenorphine, and other medicines to treat substance use disorders.

LGBT Health at Mount Sinai is committed to meeting the special health care needs of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community with respect and compassion. We provide a wide range of health, referral, and educational services that promote LGBT health equity and access to care. Our mission includes ensuring that our LGBT patients can access quality health care in a welcoming, supportive, and safe environment.

Language & Communication Access Services at Mount Sinai Health System provides interpretation and translation services to patients and/or family members who prefer to communicate in a language other than English. Assistive devices are also available to persons with disabilities to help them communicate with providers and staff during their visit. All services are provided free of charge.
Programs and Initiatives around Mount Sinai Health System

Improving Health

Community Outreach

Addressing Health Disparities

New York Eye and Ear Infirmary of Mount Sinai (NYEE) offers support groups for select eye, ear, nose, and throat conditions. Macular Degeneration support group, members can discuss their experiences, share coping strategies, and provide emotional support to each other.

NYEE also hosts several ophthalmology and otolaryngology support groups that provide psychological, emotional, and social support and resources to help patients adjust to emotional and practical changes, so they can move forward. Members share their stories, ask questions, and find out about useful resources in a comfortable and supportive environment.

Mount Sinai Brooklyn has forged strong partnerships with many community organizations that offers community residents a wide range of events and programs, including free lectures, workshops, classes, and health screenings.

Mount Sinai Department of Health Education provides community-based health education programming in partnership with schools, senior centers, and non-profit organizations. We offer onsite, school-based health education for students, parents, and staff, including mental health and sexual and reproductive health curricula. We also offer programming for older adults, women and families in transitional housing settings, and groups operated by local community agencies.

Karpas Health Information Center provides wellness programs to enable our neighbors to remain safe, active, and vital members of our community. Staffed by health educators, we are committed to providing resources that are nurturing to the mind, body, and spirit. Karpas health and wellness programs are established through partnerships with community-based organizations, and dedicated to improving health outcomes for the communities we serve.

Mount Sinai Adolescent Health Center (MSAHC) has grown to become a model of excellence in adolescent health care nationally and worldwide. MSAHC offers a comprehensive array of medical, mental health, and reproductive health services, and prevention education to young people aged 10 to 22.