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TREYA'S STORY: A JOURNEY OF COMPASSIONATE CARE

I grew up in Minnesota before moving to Eau Claire to attend college. I met my husband in the area and we were married in 2020. Today, we have a four-year-old son, Franklin and a one-year-old daughter, Lacey who keep us busy and smiling. As a family, we enjoy boating during the summer, traveling together, and making the most of our time outdoors.

My career in healthcare began in 2017 when I became a registered nurse (RN). I started working as a bedside nurse on an inpatient cardiac unit where I cared for patients with a wide variety of complex cardiac conditions. While working I returned to school to pursue a degree as a family nurse practitioner. After graduating in 2022, I joined the cardiology team at MCHS- Eau Claire as Nurse Practitioner, where I now rotate between caring for patients in both the hospital and outpatient clinic.

One of the things I love most about healthcare is the opportunity to care for people with diverse backgrounds and experiences. Every patient has a unique story, and I enjoy the challenge of critically thinking through complex medical situations while building meaningful relationships and helping people improve their health.

In 2025 I was honored to join the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic. Working at the Free Clinic has been an especially meaningful experience. The clinic is a wonderful example of what true collaborative care looks like. Every member of the team plays an essential role in providing exceptional care for our patients. I enjoy working with all the providers, nurses, pharmacists, laboratory staff, and interpreters who make the clinic possible. It is inspiring to work alongside people who share a common mission of ensuring that every patient receives compassionate, high-quality care, regardless of their circumstances.



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MISSION STATEMENT

The Chippewa Valley Free Clinic's mission is to provide quality health care to and advocacy for individuals of the Chippewa Valley who have no reasonable health care alternative.

BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED!

We're seeking community members who are passionate about improving access to health care and strengthening our community. Board members volunteer their time, provide leadership and oversight, support strategic planning, and help advance the mission of the Free Clinic. As a Board Member, you will:

- Help guide the Clinic's mission and future direction.
- Attend quarterly board meetings and serve on committees.
- Share your professional skills, experience, and community connections.
- Advocate for accessible health care throughout the Chippewa Valley.
- Support fundraising and community outreach efforts.

We welcome individuals from diverse backgrounds and experiences. Make a difference. Share your expertise. Help improve access to health care in our community.

INTERESTED? To learn more or express your interest in serving on the Board of Directors, please contact the Executive Director at: wendy@cvfreeclinic.org



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FALL 2026 NEWSLETTER

MEET LISA SCHILLER PHD, APNP, FNP-BC

Lisa Schiller, DNP, FNP-BC, is a Family Nurse Practitioner, Professor in the College of Nursing at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, and a passionate advocate for accessible healthcare. Since 2012, she has been a driving force behind the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic, serving on its Board of Directors and currently as Board President. In addition to her leadership, Lisa regularly volunteers as a clinician during the clinic's Thursday morning sessions, providing compassionate, high-quality care to patients in need.

Through her role at UW-Eau Claire, Lisa has also fostered a longstanding partnership between the University, the Buffalo and Pepin County Health Departments, and the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic. Since 2012, this collaboration has brought health screenings and education directly to farmworkers throughout rural west-central Wisconsin as part of a community health clinical course. Together, they have reached more than 700 individuals, helping identify and treat conditions such as diabetes and hypertension while empowering patients with the knowledge and resources to make lasting improvements to their health. This initiative has not only expanded access to essential healthcare but has also provided invaluable hands-on learning experiences for future healthcare professionals.

Lisa's dedication to service extends far beyond the classroom and clinic walls. She believes deeply in the mission of the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic and the power of collaboration to transform lives. For Lisa, the clinic represents the very best of community, bringing together volunteers, healthcare professionals, educators, and supporters with a shared commitment to ensuring that everyone, regardless of their circumstances, has access to compassionate, quality care.

Her unwavering commitment, visionary leadership, and genuine compassion have made a lasting impact on countless patients, students, and colleagues. Lisa exemplifies the spirit of service that defines the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic, inspiring others through her belief that healthcare is not just a profession, but a calling to serve.

"Volunteering with the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my career. I invite you to join us in making a meaningful difference in the lives of our neighbors and helping strengthen the health of our community." - Lisa

Since 1997, we've saved lives through 69,124 patient visits. This wouldn't be possible without you!

DR. LU

Volunteer HIGHLIGHT

People often ask me why I've spent so many years volunteering at the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic. The answer goes back more than 50 years.

In 1974, I was working as a medical technologist when I developed severe Hepatitis. I didn't have much money, so I went to a free clinic at UCLA for help. At the time, I was told I had a 90% chance of dying. I was given a choice: be admitted to the hospital or go home. I chose to go home.

My thinking was simple: "If I'm going to die, I'll die at home."

Thankfully, I survived. But I never forgot the care I received from that free clinic. I made a promise to myself that if I ever had the opportunity, I would give back to a free clinic in the same way I had been helped.

That opportunity came in 1997. I was working with Dr. Ken Adler at Riverview Center when he opened the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic that September. He told me about the clinic, and I joined as a volunteer in October. I've been here ever since.

Throughout my career, I practiced Internal Medicine. I worked at Marshfield Clinic in Park Falls from 1991 to 1997 and then at Marshfield Clinic in Eau Claire from 1997 until I retired in 2014. Even after retirement, I wasn't ready to stop serving patients.

Today, I volunteer in several different roles at the clinic. Depending on the day, you might find me seeing patients as a provider, helping in the pharmacy, or even cleaning. Whatever needs to be done, I'm happy to help.

Outside of the clinic, I enjoy spending time at home with my wife, Rae. We've been married for 38 years and have five children and eight grandchildren. I also enjoy building, updating, and working on computers. It's a hobby that keeps me busy and lets me continue learning.

What I enjoy most about the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic is the people. I get to come in, see patients, spend time with staff and fellow volunteers, and have fun. That's really what life is all about, having fun and helping others along the way.

The clinic gave me a chance to fulfill a promise I made many years ago. What started as gratitude for the care I received has become one of the most rewarding parts of my life.

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DENTAL MISSION IN ACTION

One of the greatest privileges we have at Chippewa Valley Free Dental Clinic is helping qualifying low-income adults without dental insurance who are in severe dental pain and have nowhere else to turn.

Recently, we had the opportunity to care for a patient who arrived at our clinic suffering from significant tooth pain. As a qualifying low-income adult without dental insurance, they had delayed treatment because they simply could not afford the cost of dental care.

Thanks to the dedicated volunteer dental team at the clinic, we were able to provide the treatment the patient truly needed. By treating the source of the pain, we not only relieved their discomfort but also helped them avoid an expensive emergency room visit they simply could not afford.

The relief on the patient's face said it all. They expressed heartfelt gratitude for the compassionate care they received and shared how thankful they were to finally be free from pain.

Stories like this remind us why our mission is so important. Every week, our volunteers provide life-changing dental care that relieves pain, restores oral health, and improves quality of life for qualifying low-income adults without dental insurance in our community.

Thank you to our volunteer dentists, hygienists, assistants, and supporters who make this work possible. Because of your generosity and commitment, we continue changing lives, one patient, one smile, and one act of compassion at a time.

IN CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY SUPPORT

To the many individuals who support our community clinic and the services we provide, we thank you for your time, talent, and financial support! We graciously appreciate your support for the Free Clinic so that we may continue to help those who do not have reasonable access to healthcare. **—WENDY ANDRE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

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fundraising UPDATE

RAISE SPIRITS, GIVE HOPE RAISES OVER \$56,000

Our annual signature fundraiser, Raise Spirits, Give Hope, was held on Thursday, April 9, at 2 Roots Art & Wine Gallery in downtown Eau Claire. Thanks to the support of our generous sponsors and guests, over \$56,000 was raised for the Clinic!

The VIP cocktail party-inspired event featured 2 Roots' signature wine dispensers, delicious hors d'oeuvres catered by Bijou Bistro, scrumptious desserts by Bushbeck Bakery Bites, live music by Josh Gallagher & Jeremy Boettcher, a silent auction featuring a Milwaukee Bucks jersey autographed by #20 AJ Green, and a wine raffle.

Funds raised from Raise Spirits, Give Hope support the Clinic's health and dental services and free medications, allowing the Chippewa Valley Free Clinic to continue to provide compassionate care to our community's vulnerable populations and working poor.

Plans are already underway for next spring's Raise Spirits, Give Hope. Follow our new Facebook page at @CVFreeClinic for all the latest news!

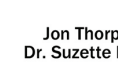
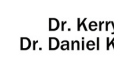
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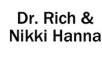
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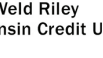
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