2015 Report to the Region

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The Triple Aim approach is the new gold standard for health care. Improving access to care while also improving outcomes and decreasing the cost of services is the goal of every health care organization in the country. The education and creation of the next generation of health professionals and caregivers who operate within the Triple Aim paradigm is essential. The Pool Trust’s Strategic Focus Areas, Community Engagement, Primary Care and Community-Based Workforce Development and Care System Redesign, are in alignment with this framework.

The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust works closely with the region’s premier health care organization, Lehigh Valley Health Network (LVHN) by providing critical support of new programs to better serve our community. In the past three years, The Pool Trust made more than $18M in grants with the majority of these resources primarily directed toward workforce development and community health efforts. The Trust’s investments, in these large-scale, multi-year, capacity-building endeavors, led by the Department of Nursing, the Department of Community Health and the Division of Education, have already generated positive outcomes for the health of the citizens of the Lehigh Valley and hold even more promise for the future. Recent efforts which model these large-scale initiatives include the following examples.

The Regional Integrated Collaborative for Healthy Youth (RICHY) program, started in 2015, brings together LVHN, two local colleges (DeSales University and Marywood University), and a community based behavioral health provider (Valley Youth House) in a unique initiative to offer pregnant and parenting adolescent mothers with integrated, comprehensive health services. Specific goals include improvement in the health and well-being of the adolescent residents and their young children, improvement in the health-related knowledge and self-advocacy skills of the residents, better coordination and integration of preventive services with the larger primary care system in the Lehigh Valley and a reduction in overall healthcare costs. This novel pilot program is believed to be the first of its kind in the country.

LVHN’s Street Medicine Program, which brings health practitioners to city streets to treat homeless residents, will grow over the next two years thanks to the Trust’s support. It will sustain the efforts of the more than 100 individuals working in the program, promote interest in street medicine and develop ways to provide mental health/behavioral health services.

The Trust, in conjunction with the Allentown School District and LVHN’s Division of Education, will also play an important role in growing the next generation of health professionals through a Youth Engagement Program to be piloted at Building 21 High School. Students interested in health care will receive exposure to a variety of careers through authentic projects with problems in real-world settings conducted through a cohorted mentorship program. The program, which will have a special focus on students from groups who are historically underrepresented in medicine, is expected to expand in coming years to the region’s other high schools.

The Pool Trust awarded eight grants in 2015 totaling $1,610,000. We are confident that these new programs, and the others we have supported in the past, will have both short-term and long-term impact for the betterment of health of Lehigh Valley residents.

Edward F. Meehan  
Executive Director

John P. Jones III  
Chairman
Background and History

The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust came into being upon the death of Leonard Parker Pool on December 27, 1975. Mr. Pool amassed a financial fortune as founder and long-time chief executive of Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. He directed that the Trust be named as a memorial for his first wife, Dorothy Rider Pool, who died of cancer in 1967.

The mission of The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust is to serve as a resource that enables Lehigh Valley Hospital to be a superior regional hospital and improve the health of the citizens of the region it serves.

While the Trust welcomes all proposals supportive of its mission, areas of program support include:

- Community Engagement
- Primary Care / Community-Based Workforce Development
- Care System Redesign

The Trust operates as a public charitable trust. Led by a small and dedicated staff, the Trust, with the assistance of local, regional and national advisors, addresses the needs of the citizens of the Lehigh Valley and supports programs to meet those needs.

“During my lifetime I have had an intense interest concerning health care for my fellowman. This interest was first expressed as an active trustee of the Allentown Hospital Association and more recently, as a founder, director, and president of the Allentown and Sacred Heart Hospital Center, Inc. Because of this interest, upon my death, I wish to have the residue of my estate used for the continued provision of health care to the citizens of the Lehigh Valley and others served by the Allentown and Sacred Heart Hospital Center (now Lehigh Valley Health Network).

- Leonard Parker Pool
The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2015

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**LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

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The financial statements for the Trust for the year ended December 31, 2015 have been examined by the accounting firm of BBD, LLP. A detailed financial report, as examined by BBD, LLP, is available at the Trust office upon request.
Lehigh Valley Health Network
Administration and Department of Development
20th Annual Black Tie Gala: Field of Dreams: Celebrating the Lehigh Valley
$35,000 for one year

Lehigh Carbon Community College Foundation
The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust / LCCC Promise Scholarship
$100,000 over four years

Lehigh Valley Health Network
Department of Pediatrics
Primary Care Support for Adolescent / Teen Wellness Planning Grant
$100,000 for one year

Lehigh Valley Health Network
Department of Medicine
LVHN Street Medicine
$200,000 over two years

Lehigh Valley Health Network
Office of the Chief Medical Officer
The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust Research and Development Fund
$375,000 over three years

Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust / Lehigh Valley Health Network
Downtown Allentown Community Development Initiative
$150,000 over two years

Lehigh Valley Health Network
Division of Geriatrics Medicine
Memory Support Team
$50,000 for one year

Lehigh Valley Health Network
Division of Education
Youth Engagement Program
$600,000 over four years
LVHN Street Medicine

The desire to care for the homeless and their special health needs led LVHN Physician Assistant Brett Feldman to gather his colleagues together to offer free medical services to the disadvantaged in the Lehigh Valley in 2013. The Street Medicine program has now grown to include more than 100 health professionals from LVHN who are serving the 10,000+ homeless individuals in the region.

The program received a two-year $200,000 grant from The Dorothy Rider Pool Health Care Trust to support the efforts of those working in the program, promote interest in street medicine, and develop ways to provide mental health/behavioral health services.

Youth Engagement Program

This four-year $600,000 program, headed by LVHN’s Division of Education in partnership with area high schools, will expose students to a wide variety of careers in health care. The goal is to help create a sustainable pipeline of highly qualified, talented professionals in the Lehigh Valley through the development of experiential education opportunities within the health network. The program will also guide interested students into opportunities for advanced education including technical certificates, associate, undergraduate and graduate degree courses of study in the health fields.

The program will provide students with authentic projects and problems in real world settings while exposing them to an array of careers in the industry. LVHN staff will serve as mentors to help students explore the health care field. Special focus will be on students from historically underrepresented groups in the health care workforce.
**LCCC Promise Scholarship**

Students studying for careers in the healthcare field at Lehigh Carbon Community College (LCCC) are the beneficiaries of this new four-year endeavor. The program provides $1,000 scholarships for up to 25 students for each of the two years they are enrolled in LCCC’s Occupational Therapy Assistant, Physical Therapy Assistant, or Medical Assistant associate degree programs. Students must have graduated from the Allentown School District in order to qualify for the scholarship.

The first cohort of students began with the fall 2015 semester, with a second cohort to be added in fall 2016. Upon graduation from the program, students will have the opportunity to interview for positions at Lehigh Valley Health Network.

**Research and Development Fund Program**

The Trust’s long-standing support of research and development within LVHN was continued through this $375,000 three-year grant, initiated in 2012 to the Network Office of Research and Innovation (NORI). The vision was to engage, support and develop early career researchers, and to test and evaluate small pilot projects from staff at all levels.

A total of 24 awards were made through the Research and Development Fund program and addressed a variety of clinical and community issues. Project examples include a traumatic falls survey to assess objective fall risk, patient perception of fall risk, and willingness of patients to engage with providers in reducing fall risk; and a pilot study aimed to determine whether the implementation of Ottawa Ankle and Foot Rules at triage could reduce Emergency Department stay and decrease the number of radiographs/X-rays ordered.

**The Paul Bosanac Research and Publication Award**

The Bosanac Award is supported by the Pool Trust to encourage and recognize residents at Lehigh Valley Health Network who engage in scientific investigation and research. The award is dedicated to the memory of the late Paul Bosanac, MD, who was Chief of the Renal Section of Surgery at The Allentown Hospital-Lehigh Valley Hospital Center. Bosanac was also instrumental in establishing the Research and Publication Support Service at Lehigh Valley Hospital Center (now Lehigh Valley Health Network).

The 2015 Bosanac Award was presented to Abbey Burger, DO, an OB/GYN PGY3, as the principal author of the paper titled “The impact of cesarean delivery adhesions on surgical and neonatal outcomes using an adhesion assessment tool.”

*Photo courtesy of Lehigh Valley Health Network*
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