

Removing Barriers To Dermatologic Care Of The Uninsured

Background

- The Free Clinic hosted by Lubbock Impact is a nonprofit community clinic that provides free medical and dermatologic care to the uninsured population of Lubbock since 2009.
- Uninsured patients are typically underrepresented in dermatology offices, yet might have a higher incidence of non-melanoma skin cancer
- In a prior retrospective chart analysis, we found that the uninsured patients that present in our clinic have a higher incidence of non-melanoma skin cancer (NMSC) than the national average

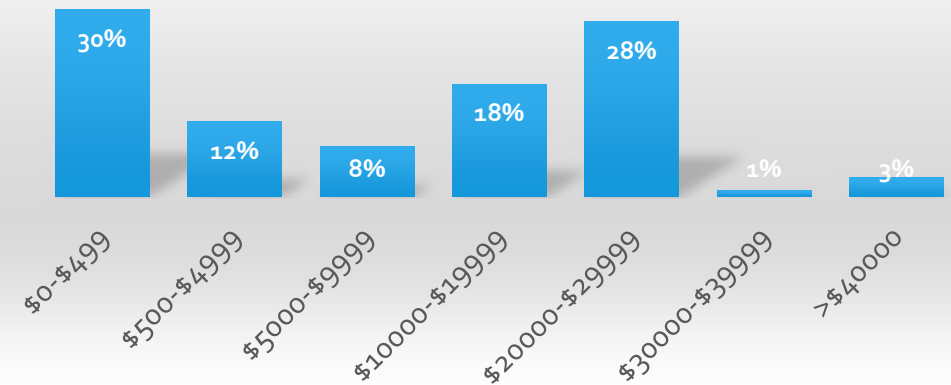
Goals

- To continue to evaluate the incidence of NMSC in our Free Clinic population to better understand the effects that their barriers to care have on their health
- To provide patients, who otherwise would not have access, with free dermatologic care
- To understand the effects that restricted access to dermatologic care has on our patients by highlighting the need for routine skin examinations and preventative measures in our population as well as similar populations so we can offer them better care in the future.

Results

- On June 1, 2016, we started using our purchased equipment with grant funds for the diagnosis and treatment of skin cancer in our uninsured population.
- Methods of biopsy and treatment include: shave, punch, ED&C, and excision.
- From June 1, 2016 to December 31, 2017, we performed 77 biopsies on 45 Patients.
- Diagnoses included: **11 Squamous Cell Carcinomas, 17 Basal Cell Carcinomas, 3 Superficial Spreading Malignant Melanomas, and 8 Dysplastic Nevi.**
- With these supplies, we were able increase biopsies by **51%** and increase the number of patients we treated by **67%**.

Annual Household Income Breakdown
In Biopsied Patients





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