

No. R-483. House concurrent resolution recognizing the efforts of Community Health Services of Lamoille Valley to create a seamless and more effective health care environment.

(H.C.R.370)

Offered by: Representatives Woodward of Johnson, Martin of Wolcott, Howard of Cambridge, Peltz of Woodbury, Scheuermann of Stowe and Smith of Morristown

Offered by: Senator Westman

Whereas, in 2011, the state of Vermont's Blueprint for Health continued to transform, improve, and better coordinate the delivery of health care services, and

Whereas, federally qualified health centers (FQHC) are ideally situated to provide seamless, effective, and preventive medical, behavioral, and oral health care as called for in the Blueprint, and

Whereas, Community Health Services of Lamoille Valley (CHSLV), an FQHC serving the Lamoille Valley, was awarded the Blueprint for Health grant for that area, and

Whereas, CHSLV assembled a community health care team to fulfill the mission of its Blueprint for Health grant, and this team of health care professionals included Elise McKenna, Blueprint director; Lorrie Dupuis, community health team manager; Lisa Whipple, Morrisville Family Health Care clinical supervisor; Mary Donati, Stowe Family Practice clinical supervisor; Jean Audet, Morrisville Family Health Care panel manager; and Corey Perpall and Courtney Berry, chronic care coordinators, and

Whereas, within a few short months, this community health care team prepared the Morrisville Family Health Care and the Stowe Family Practice for certification by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA), and

Whereas, this NCQA certification enabled the community health team to expand the Blueprint for Health services in the Lamoille Valley, and

Whereas, this community health care model reduces the health and economic impacts of the most common chronic conditions and focuses on their prevention, and

Whereas, the CHSLV community health care team has worked collaboratively with the Cambridge Regional Health Center, other private Lamoille Valley primary care physicians, neighboring community health centers, and Copley Hospital to prepare these practitioners for NCQA certification in order to better utilize Copley's emergency department and to create a more seamless health care delivery system, now therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly recognizes the efforts of the Community Health Services of Lamoille Valley to create a seamless and more effective health care environment, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to Community Health Services of Lamoille Valley Chief Executive Officer Kevin J. Kelley in Morrisville.