

We Care About U!

In 2018 our UPA district celebrated its grand opening of a new school-based health clinic, in partnership with Ascension Medical Center. The clinic is housed at the UPA Middle - Nan Gill campus, and services the entire UPA K-12 district. It is an extension of the school-based clinic that was previously erected at UPSM Elementary - Miller campus for families in the UPSM K-12 district.

In 2019 we secured a partnership with Henry Ford Health System for the recently completed build out of a third school-based health clinic to service the families in the UPAD K-12 district; made possible through a grant provided by the Carls Foundation. We are pleased to announce the culmination of services to all families in the U Prep Schools network through the upcoming launch of our third and final school-based clinic at U Prep Art & Design Elementary School scheduled to open in the new school year. Each of our clinics provides services to our families at no-charge, and mirror those offered at a primary care physician's office.

The need for housing clinics inside of our schools stems from the reality that all ten of our campuses are located in the heart of the City of Detroit and Wayne County, which according to studies, ranks as one of the most medically underserved counties in the State of Michigan. Through the development of the three clinics, our goal is to close this gap in service, and to promote and provide easy accessibility to healthcare for families up to age 21 in the entire U Prep Schools community. This will result in a reduction to the health care inequalities that often impact our families, and ensure that they have consistent access to high-quality care. From an attendance standpoint, parents will be able to decrease the time they take off from work to transport children to offsite doctor's appointments. Our scholars will therefore miss school less often, which will improve their academic outcomes.

The services that each provide are:

- Physicals/Health Assessments
- **Immunizations**
- Behavioral Health Services
- Sick Visits
- **Primary Care Prevention**
- Health Education

We would like to thank and acknowledge our partners who have made the U Prep school-based health clinics possible: The Carl's Foundation, Ascension Health Services, and Henry Ford Health System School-Based and Community Health Program

"I love my job! I am able to build relationships with children and families, take time with patient care and empower students through primary care prevention education" - Nurse Sheiraz Tekko, (Nurse Practitioner - Ascension's School-based Health Clinic, UPA Middle School - Nan Gill campus)



