

COMMUNITY

Community Affairs

As a critical provider of health care on the South Side, Chicago BioMedicine interacts with our neighboring communities in several significant ways.

One of the most prominent is through the Urban Health Initiative (UHI), which helps people find a “medical home” – a place in the community to get effective preventive care as well as treatment for non-urgent conditions, routine care, management of health issues and referrals to specialists or hospitals for more complex care. The goal: create a cooperative system of independent health care providers who can deliver the right patient service, at the right time, in the right setting.

In addition, the Office of Community Affairs heads internal and external volunteer efforts, and coordinates numerous programs in which South Side students visit our campus to discover the many career opportunities available in health care.

This past fiscal year, more than 1,000 Medical Center employees volunteered for several events, including the Day of Service and Reflection, the Bud Billiken Parade and tutoring at local schools. That’s an increase of 22 percent from last year. Returning the favor, the number of community volunteers donating time to the medical center has tripled in the past five years.



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Addressing the needs of our South Side community