Utah Humanitarian Award



2023 COPIC Humanitarian Award: Dr. Mairi Leining

We are proud to announce that internal medicine physician Dr. Mairi Leining of Park City, Utah was chosen as a recipient of the 2023 COPIC Humanitarian Award. Dr. Leining is recognized for volunteer patient care with undocumented, uninsured populations and her work to expand Medicaid to all children in Utah. The award was presented to Dr. Leining at the UMA Annual Meeting in September 2023.

With 98% of patients living in poverty – and many who don't qualify for government services due to undocumented status – volunteers like Dr. Mairi Leining make an enormous difference at People's Health Clinic.

Dr. Leining started volunteering three days per week in 2019. After recognizing the need for multidisciplinary diabetes care, she designed, funded, and implemented a now-accredited diabetes clinic. In 2021, she took over the role of medical director and has since expanded subspeciality care to include dermatology, endocrinology, and rheumatology. She helped create a mobile health clinic and enjoys serving patients in the community who lack reliable transportation.

In addition to providing direct patient care, she created an educational series on topics such as LGBTQ+ rights, human trafficking, and legal services. She also created a tuition assistance program to support the clinic's diverse staff. Most recently, she's helped the clinic partner to provide fresh produce for the food insecure.

Dr. Leining advocated for Medicaid for all Utah children and actively served on the Utah Medical Association legislative committee. She started a latent tuberculosis infection screening program for high-risk, undocumented residents, identifying a prevalence of 21 percent in the Wasatch Back region of Utah.

It's an honor to support Dr. Leining's direct patient care and advocacy work for underserved populations in Utah.

COPIC and UMA were thrilled to present Dr. Leining with this award. On Dr. Leining's behalf, \$10,000 was donated to People's Health Clinic.

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