



**Report of St. Benedict Health and Healing Ministry  
(A Diocesan Institution)  
To the 134rd Annual Convention of the Diocese of Colorado  
October 7-9, 2021**

Our **Mission** is to improve the physical, mental, and spiritual health of those people in our community who have need but who lack access to health care resources. Our **Vision** is one of a community:

- Where suffering is alleviated,
- Where holistic health and healing are available to all,
- Where health and healing are understood as integration of body, mind, and spirit,
- Where people are met and seen with hospitality and compassion, and
- Where connections are fostered:
  - o between the uninsured and the underinsured and health care providers,
  - o between the individual and God, and
  - o between organizations dedicated to health and healing.

**Members**

Our work succeeds on the basis of relationships, which permeate all aspects of this ministry. Effective relationships require active listening, being present and showing respect. This begins with our Board of Directors:

Charlotte Ricchetti, PharmD - President  
Rev. Deacon Jan Dewlen -St. John's Episcopal Church, Boulder – Vice President  
Mr. William Eliason, President -St. Ambrose Episcopal Church, Boulder – Interim Treasurer  
Marsha Ruggeri, RN - Secretary  
Rev, Lucy S. L. Amerman- St. John's Episcopal Church, Boulder  
Stacey Kerber, MBA – Castle Rock  
Horst Loeblich, JD - Parker  
Rev. Dennis Kennedy, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Longmont  
Maria Guardiola - Denver

**Executive Summary**

Adapt! Learn! Change! Grow! Those have been the mantras of our organization the past year. We had to adapt during COVID-19, to be able to continue to provide health services for our vulnerable populations. As local area churches and community centers closed their doors to the public, we no longer had indoor space with which to hold our weekly clinics. Thanks to the support of our churches and community, we were able to purchase a mobile clinic and immediately put it into service. With our mobile clinic we have added new clinic sites and have been going out into communities providing much needed care including COVID-19 vaccines. We have been able to provide care for homebound individuals who could not leave their homes for vaccines or check-ups. We were celebrated by the Colorado Safety Net Collaborative with the 2021 Innovative Care Site Award. God has truly blessed our ministry, kept us safe, answered prayers, and allowed us to continue our vital mission in the community.

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Thank you for your continued prayers and support of our work!



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