

WeCare Clinic -

Medical Care for Special Needs

775 Pembroke Fairview Rd
Pembroke, KY 42266

Fall 2017 Newsletter

WeCare Clinic - *Medical Care for Special Needs* is organized on a non-profit basis to provide a diagnostic and out-patient primary medical care facility for children and adults with genetic disease in the Amish, Mennonite, and English communities of central and western Kentucky and surrounding areas.

The new clinic is modeled after Dr. Morton's Clinic for Special Children located in Strasburg, Pennsylvania. Dr. Holmes Morton and his wife Caroline established the non-profit Clinic for Special Children 27 years ago to provide comprehensive medical care for children with complex and dangerous genetic diseases.

Based on the vastly improved outcomes, and greatly reduced medical costs associated with the care of many Clinic for Special Children patients, Dr. Morton is convinced that children and adults suffering from genetic diseases in most communities, especially Plain Communities, would benefit from the establishment of clinics, which follow the Clinic for Special Children model. He and Caroline provided advice, guidance, and encouragement to the founders of the DDC Clinic (Das Deutsch Center) in Cheyago County, OH; this clinic has been successfully caring for children and adults with genetic diseases since 2000. In addition to Clinic for Special Children and DDC Clinic are New Leaf Clinic for Special Children in Middle field, OH, Community Health Center in Topeka, IN, LaFarge Clinic in LaFarge, WI, and the Central Pennsylvania Clinic in Belleville, PA. While there are close connections between *WeCare Clinic* and the other special needs



Clinics, they are separate non-profit corporate entities, engaged in independent medical practices, and each supported by its own funding sources. *WeCare Clinic* will follow the financial model of the other special needs clinics. Fees will cover approximately 25-30% of its operating expenses. 70-75% of the clinic's operating expenses will be covered by donations, contributions, and grants. Genetic disease is an on-going, life-long foe; the commitment of community and out-of-community donors and institutions to support and sustain a clinic for special children and adults is long term as well.

Building Renovation Update

In March 2017, renovation began on the clinic building and property. A hold up on electrical paperwork delayed interior work during the summer months. This has now cleared and drywall, flooring and trim work will resume. Help is needed August – September and beyond to finish interiors. Thanks to everyone who helped with renovations so far, however help is still needed to complete the project, contact: *Cleon Nolt*, 750 Pembroke Fairview Rd, Pembroke, KY 42266, Ph: 270-890-0398, Fax: 270-890-0418, to find out when help is needed and how you can help. The building setup will work well for use as clinic space and consists of 2 exam rooms, waiting room, receptionist office, doctors office, 2 restrooms, and a spare room which can be used as another exam room if needed.

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Donations Needed

Funds are needed for medical equipment and office furnishings. This category is budgeted at \$75,999. This will be a one-time capital expense. Office desks and chairs, file cabinets, meeting room chairs and tables, exam room tables and other items are needed. A full library of medical textbooks will also be purchased. Exam room cabinets have been made and donated by members of a community that anticipate getting care for MSUD at WeCare Clinic.

Funds are needed for First Year Operating Expenses. Staff wages, clinic supplies and office supplies are some of the main operating expenses. Funds will be needed yearly for operating expenses. Funds needed for First Year Operating Expenses are estimated at \$598,992. Staff will be hired once funds are in place for year one.

Thank you for making a new donation to WeCare Clinic.

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*The clinic board would like to thank everyone from the different communities for the support that was shown and a willingness to work together to establish this special needs clinic.*

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