About Lemuel Shattuck Hospital

The Shattuck is a safety net hospital, which takes in patients who often cannot go to other hospitals. This includes incarcerated or undocumented immigrant patient populations, as well as many other patients from the general community. Patients’ health is influenced by homelessness, mental health, substance use, legal issues, and barriers to health insurance.

Population of Focus

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Interprofessional Network of Care

Service Learning Project

Each group project identified issues facing medically underserved patients and created resources to help improve healthcare delivery.

- **Medical Affiliated Services**: Diabetes Management for Practitioners
- **Medical Behavioral Services**: Section 35 & Roger’s Guardianship
- **Geriatrics**: Insulin Administration Guidelines for Patients
- **ID/HIV Clinic**: Community Resources for Low Income patients
- **Ambulatory Care Clinic**: Medication Adherence Poster

Take Away Point

Homeless, incarcerated, and low income patients face a complex array of physical, mental and environmental health issues which requires a biopsychosocial, team-based approach to holistically care for patients.

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