



Saint James Health is deeply grateful for our longstanding and impactful partnership with RWJBarnabas Health (RWJBH). As a trusted community health provider serving some of New Jersey's most vulnerable populations, the support we receive through RWJBH made possible by critical state appropriations has significantly strengthened our ability to deliver high-quality, coordinated, and comprehensive care to the communities we jointly serve.

One of the most meaningful examples of this partnership is the Food Farmacy located at 228 Lafayette Street, where Saint James Health collaborates with an RWJ dietitian and food access coordinator. This innovative model directly addresses food insecurity and nutrition-related chronic conditions, enabling our patients to receive both clinical care and healthy food access in one trusted location.

RWJBH's support has also been instrumental in expanding women's health services at Saint James Health. OB services provided by physicians from Newark Beth Israel Medical Center are offered at Saint James locations, ensuring access to specialized prenatal and obstetric care within the community. In addition, Newark Beth Israel physicians provide training and clinical oversight for Saint James Health women's health nurse practitioners, strengthening our internal capacity while maintaining the highest standards of care.

Through this partnership, Saint James Health also hosts an RWJ community health worker at our sites, who plays a vital role in connecting patients to essential services based on social determinants of health screenings. This support has improved care navigation, reduced barriers to access, and enhanced patient outcomes beyond the exam room.

Specialty care access has further improved with a cardiologist from Newark Beth Israel Medical Center rotating through Saint James Health's 491 Clinton Avenue Health Center. By bringing cardiology services directly into the community, this collaboration has helped reduce no-show rates for referrals and ensured timely care for patients with complex cardiac needs.

Integration into RWJBH's Epic electronic medical record system has been transformative for Saint James Health. Shared access to Epic has significantly enhanced care coordination, improved communication between providers, reduced duplication of services, and ensured continuity of care across the health system.

Over the past two years, Saint James Health has reached maximum capacity across our sites due to increasing demand for services. In response, RWJBH is investing in the construction of two new Saint James Health locations, which will expand capacity, improve access, and allow for the addition of new and much-needed services. This forward-looking investment demonstrates RWJBH's deep commitment to community-based care and long-term health equity.

The partnership between Saint James Health and RWJBarnabas Health exemplifies how state-supported investments can directly strengthen community health infrastructure, improve access to care, and address the social and clinical needs of underserved populations. We are proud to work alongside RWJBH in advancing health equity and improving outcomes for the residents we serve every day.

Sincerely,

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