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From Day One: Sheepscot Valley Health Center Provider Celebrates 35 years

COOPERS MILLS - Sheepscot Valley Health Center is proud to recognize Dr. Roy Miller's 35 years of incomparable service. From day one, Dr. Miller has remained a central figure at the practice and has touched the lives of many people in the 34 communities the health center serves.

When Sheepscot Valley Health Center first opened in 1980, a staff of two - Dr. Miller and a physician assistant - provided services from a rented trailer. The need for medical services in the area was underscored by over 6,000 patient visits that first year.



Roy Miller, MD

"One aspect of Roy's character that has always stood out for me, is his patient advocacy," shared Connie Coggins, CEO of HealthReach Community Health Centers. "His commitment to his patients is tireless inside and outside of the health center."

Dr. Miller has also been a preceptor for numerous medical students in their clinical rotations spreading the message of the importance of excellent care needed in rural Maine communities to the next generations of medical providers.

In addition to his time spent training students and seeing patients of all ages, Dr. Miller is deeply committed to the greater community, from purchasing school clothes for children in need, to helping with school outings and ski projects. He is an active board member for the Augusta Boys and Girls Club and helps to organize fundraisers and group outings to various beautiful locations in Maine, from mountains to coastal islands. He has also worked for years with a helmet manufacturer to purchase bike and skateboard helmets for local children who could not otherwise afford them.

In 1981, the practice moved to its present location, a former church which has undergone several renovations over the years to accommodate the needs of patients and staff. Today, the health center is bustling with energy and has a terrific team of eight providers serving over 3,600 people of all ages. The health center provides a full range of family practice services including integrated behavioral health and adult psychiatric medication management.

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Congratulations, Dr. Miller, and thank you for your 35 years of service and leadership!

Sheepscot Valley Health Center is part of HealthReach Community Health Centers, a group of eleven Federally Qualified Health Centers in Central and Western Maine. Dedicated providers deliver high quality medical and behavioral health care to citizens in over 80 rural communities. To ensure access for everyone, HealthReach accepts Medicare, MaineCare and major insurances. In addition, an Affordable Care Program is available to uninsured and underinsured residents as well as assistance with applications for programs that help with the cost of health care and medications including the Health Insurance Marketplace. A private, non-profit celebrating a 40-year history, HealthReach is funded by patient fees, grants and individual donations.

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