



COMPASSIONATE HEALTHCARE

Impact Report

We provide comprehensive and evidence-based healthcare services in a compassionate and empowering environment to all persons who seek it. We are especially honored to provide abortion care services, gender affirming care, mental healthcare, and STI testing, treatment, and prevention as essential and fully integrated components of comprehensive healthcare.



We strive for a future where all individuals can readily access compassionate and comprehensive healthcare within their communities without shame, judgment, or restriction.



BLUE MOUNTAIN CLINIC IS A MISSION-DRIVEN

501(c)3 non-profit which has provided evidence-based and compassionate healthcare to the Missoula community and surrounding region since 1977. Today, we are one of the only independent abortion clinics that has fully integrated family medicine, abortion care, mental health care, sexual health care, and gender-affirming care into our daily practice. We serve as the medical home for nearly 3,500 patients annually. Across our service delivery and advocacy efforts, we specifically center the needs of women and persons who can become pregnant, LBGTQIA2S+ and gender expansive individuals, and low-income individuals and families.

In 2022, and with your support, Blue Mountain Clinic delivered 13,668 services to 3,469 unique patients!

489 patients with wellness exams including 128 to clients under 18 and 133 annual Medicare visits

921 vaccines for flu, HPV, childhood immunizations, and meningitis

191 individual patients receiving gender affirming care

139 HIV tests and 26 tests and biopsies for cervical cancer

112 clients receiving mental health services

We believe that the cost of healthcare should never be a barrier to access.

Many of our patients are enrolled in Medicare or Medicaid, and we accept a wide range of private insurance plans. We use our internal Access Fund to subsidize the cost of abortion, contraception, and gender-affirming care for individuals without insurance and for those with high deductibles. In 2022, we provided almost \$18,000 in support through our Access Fund. We also work closely with Montana's statewide abortion fund, the Montana Abortion Access Program (MAAP), to ensure that no one is denied access to abortion care due to inability to pay.





OUR COMMITMENT

We are committed to advocacy and building partnerships to preserve and expand access to essential healthcare.



In 2022, Blue Mountain Clinic helped to convene the Compassion For Montana Families coalition to oppose the 'born alive' ballot referendum (LR-131). The efforts of this coalition - and later the No on LR-131 campaign - exposed the truth about the harmful impacts of this misleading referendum, and **Montanans resoundingly defeated LR-131 at the ballot.**



In early 2023, Blue Mountain Clinic helped to convene and is an active member of the **Montana Sexual & Reproductive Health Collective (MTSRHC)** which mobilizes and supports inclusive, equitable grassroots advocacy, education, and outreach to uphold the fundamental right to bodily autonomy.



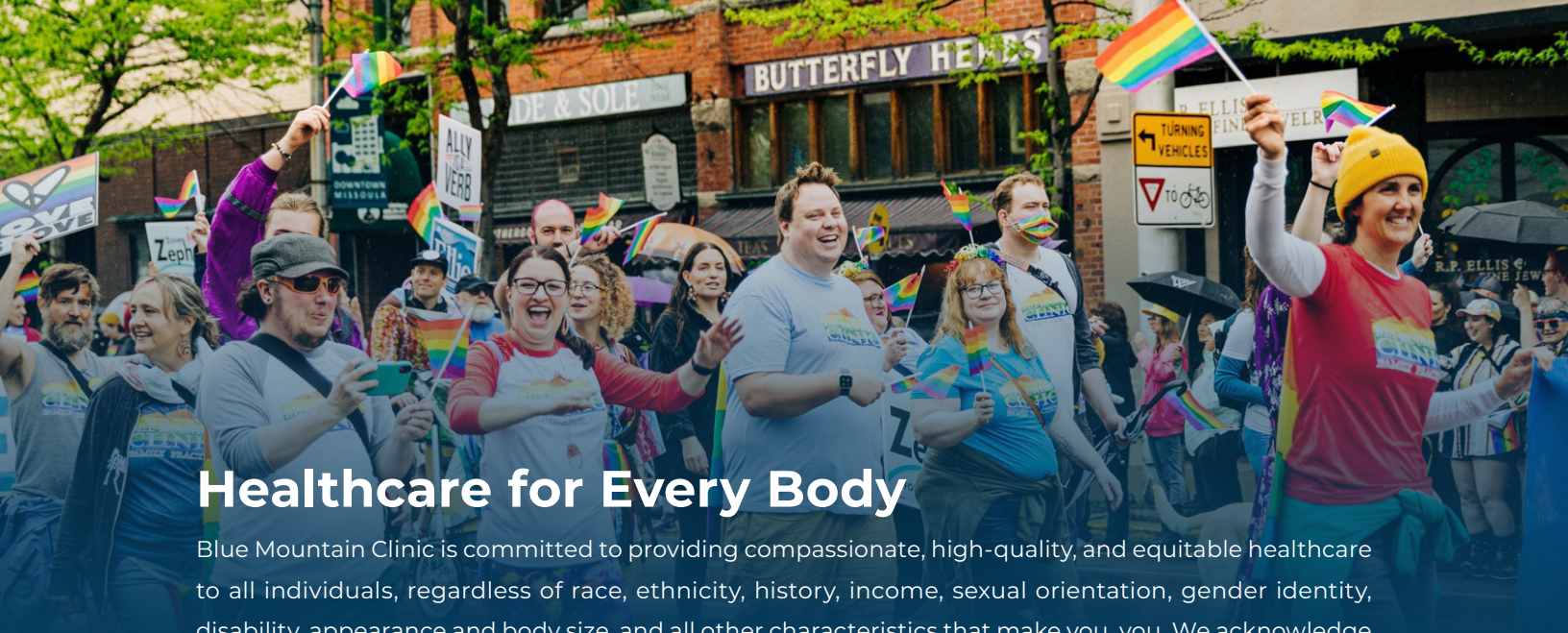
During the 2023 MT Legislative Session, Blue Mountain Clinic worked closely with other partners of the MTSRHC to coordinate a strong opposition to the dozens of anti-abortion and anti-trans bills introduced. **Blue Mountain Clinic testified over 20 times against these harmful bills.**



Although many of these bills were passed into law, **we are continuing our advocacy work in the courts.** Blue Mountain Clinic is currently a plaintiff in three different lawsuits to challenge unnecessary abortion restrictions.



We are partnering with All Families Healthcare, Planned Parenthood, and the Montana Abortion Access Program (MAAP) to develop a statewide patient navigator program to ensure that individuals seeking abortion care have the information, support, and resources they need to receive their care as soon as possible. The patient navigator program will also support individuals from other states who access care in Montana.



Healthcare for Every Body

Blue Mountain Clinic is committed to providing compassionate, high-quality, and equitable healthcare to all individuals, regardless of race, ethnicity, history, income, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, appearance and body size, and all other characteristics that make you, you. We acknowledge that all oppression is linked, and that none of us live single-issue lives. We respect and appreciate that all individuals bring different backgrounds, experiences, needs, desires, and perspectives, and we aim to meet everyone exactly where they are.

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Best clinic ever! The staff are amazing. Never in my life have I met medical staff who are so kind and considerate. They are also highly proficient in providing education on birth control and reproductive services.”

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I've been coming to BMC for 30 years. They are kind and caring and go the extra mile for their patients. From tots to seniors, they are proactive and community driven.”

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Monday: 8:30am–5:30pm
Tuesday: 8:30am–5:30pm
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Thursday: 8:30am–5:30pm
Friday: 8:00am–1:00pm



BEST CLINIC: 2007-2018

BEST DOCTOR: Dr. Ravitz, 2007-2018

BEST DOCTOR/HEALTHCARE CLINIC: 2ND PLACE, 2022

DEAR PATIENTS, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS, AND SUPPORTERS,

Blue Mountain Clinic is and has always been a special place. For over 46 years, Blue Mountain Clinic has provided essential and compassionate healthcare to individuals and families throughout western Montana. We are grateful to be a part of the Missoula community and to spend our days delivering a wide range of essential healthcare services – everything from infant well visits to Medicare wellness exams. In 2022, with your support, we were able to deliver a total of 13,668 services across family medicine, abortion care, gender-affirming care, and mental health care. Thank you for your trust and for your support! It is an honor and a privilege to care for you.

In addition to delivering high-quality healthcare services, we've been busy building partnerships and opposing laws and policies that chip away at our rights. We have seen firsthand the harmful impacts of overturning *Roe v. Wade*, including the increased distance that individuals are forced to travel to access care and the fear they experience in doing so. During Montana's 2023 legislative session, extremist politicians passed many unconstitutional laws to strip us of our rights. **However, lawsuits filed by Blue Mountain Clinic and our partners have successfully stopped these laws from going into effect.** We know there's been a lot of confusion and misinformation about the legality of these services following the session, so please help us share the message below as widely as possible:

Abortion care and gender affirming care are legal and available in Montana, and at Blue Mountain Clinic!

Montana is one of only a few states in which courts have recognized that the state constitution protects the right to abortion. This was first unanimously decided by the Montana Supreme Court in 1999, and again in May 2023 when they reaffirmed this right in *Weems v. State*. There will be two open seats on our Montana Supreme Court next year, and we, the people, will have the opportunity to ensure that our judicial system remains fair and unbiased.

During the firestorm of a legislative session, we recognized the 30-year anniversary of the arson which destroyed Blue Mountain Clinic on March 29, 1993. The staff working at Blue Mountain Clinic at the time of this event recalled an eerily similar environment of anti-abortion and anti-LGBTQ extremism and rhetoric prior to the bombing. We are proud to be part of a community that fiercely supports our rights to freedom and personal privacy in healthcare. It is because of you that love prevailed 30 years ago and that our doors remain open today.



Nicole K. Smith, PhD, MPH
Executive Director



HOW YOU CAN HELP

We need your support!

Now is a critical time to support Blue Mountain Clinic. As an independent, non-profit healthcare clinic operating within the U.S. healthcare system, we must fundraise around \$400,000 each year to keep our clinic doors open. Despite our efforts, we are currently facing a significant fundraising gap.

Looking ahead to the next few years, we plan to continue delivering high-quality healthcare services, building partnerships across Montana, and advocating (and litigating) to protect our rights. We are also planning to expand our communication and outreach efforts to educate more Montanans, and we are excited to restart our sex education program to support the health of our youth with a curriculum that centers joy and positivity and is inclusive of all genders and sexual identities.

But we cannot do any of this without your support.

Your donations ensure that we can continue serving you, our community, with essential health care services and accurate information, and advocating for all our rights.



Please consider donating by:

- Doing so online at <https://www.bluemountainclinic.org/support-our-work/>
- Sending a check in the mail to 610 N. California St., Missoula, 59802
- Emailing us at info@bluemountainclinic.org
- Or calling (406) 721-1646 to inquire about other options!
- You can also support BMC by becoming a patient! We are always accepting same-day appointments for contraceptive care and STI testing and treatment.

Blue Mountain Clinic is a 501(c)3 nonprofit and all donations are tax deductible.