

## United Health Foundation and Michigan Primary Care Association: *Partners in Breast Cancer Prevention*

The Michigan Primary Care Association (MPCA) supports community health centers that provide primary and preventive health care to more than 715,000 patients in rural and urban communities across Michigan.

In 2020 the United Health Foundation, the philanthropic arm of UnitedHealth Group, announced a three-year, \$2.5 million grant partnership to establish a breast cancer genetic testing and screening pilot program at seven Michigan community health centers. The program was intended to increase patient education and testing rates as well as enhance transitions of care through improved technology, community partnerships and data analysis. The program also helped to improve the process for getting high-risk men and women (as well as their family members) into genetic testing — which, in combination with genetic counselors and care managers, has proven successful in the early detection and prevention of breast cancer.



### COMMUNITY IMPACT\*

**Over 16,000**

patients ages 40-75 received mammogram screenings as a result of the partnership

**585**

patients referred to a genetic counselor for genetic testing recommendations

**121**

patients completed genetic testing

\*2019-2023

### WHY IS THIS WORK CRITICAL?



The genetic counselor was able to speak in 'layman's terms' so my daughter, who was with me when he called, could understand."

MPCA PATIENT



Everyone was great. I appreciate that I was able to have this done as I have limited information on my bio-maternal side and little to none on my bio-paternal side — adopted at birth."

MPCA PATIENT

