

REMOTE AREA MEDICAL - RAM™

COMMUNITY HOST GROUP STARTER KIT

BRINGING FREE HEALTHCARE TO PEOPLE IN NEED



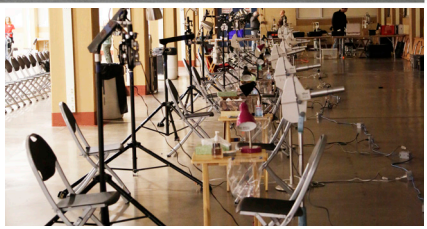
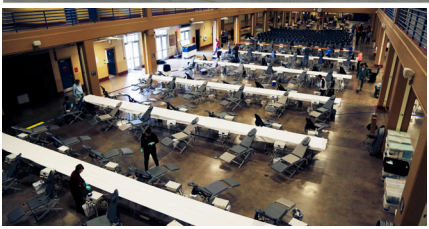
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Hosting A RAM Clinic

Remote Area Medical only operates free mobile medical clinics in communities that invite us. Motivated community members, community leaders, and/or local nonprofits join together to host RAM clinics. These compassionate coalitions form Community Host Groups (CHG's)

Responsibilities of the CHG include:

- Provide representatives
- Secure support
- Lead planning team
- Provide venue to hold clinic
- Recruit volunteers and security for the event
- Promote clinic
- Provide all hospitality services for CORE Volunteers, professional volunteers and RAM staff at no charge.



RAM provides equipment and mobile vision labs to make dental and vision care possible for hundreds, if not thousands, over the course of a clinic.

Members of CHG Leadership Team

- Community Host Group Leader
- Recruitment Chair
- Hospitality Chair
- Promotion Chair



Responsibilities:

- Work directly with RAM headquarters; communicating regularly: Setting goals and creating CHG planning and timeline guides.
- Overseeing all team activities and accomplishments
- Ensuring that all state compliance, policies, standards and practices are followed.
- Securing funds needed for the event
- Finding suitable facility for the event
- Arranging facility maintenance and security personnel; as well as arranging traffic control during event.

Members of Recruitment Team recruit and mobilize volunteers, partners, and donors to support the clinic.

Responsibilities:

- Work with RAM's volunteer team to ensure you meet the minimum volunteer requirements.
- Providing RAM's volunteer team with regular updates regarding recruitment efforts and results.
- Recruit doctors for follow-up care after the clinic.
- Recruit Volunteers: When recruiting volunteers, schedule them for full days only.
 - *Recruit Health Care Professionals: Dentists, Oral Surgeons, Dental Hygenists, Dental Assistants, etc.*
 - *Recruit General Support Volunteers: People to unloadsupplies and equipment, clinic setup and breakdown.*
 - *Recruit Professional Student Volunteers: These events are a perfect opportunity for professional students to gain experience working alongside medical professionals.*
 - *Children and Minors: Children 14-17 years of age can volunteer but must be accompanied by a parent. No one under 18 is allowed to work alone in any clinic service area.*

*Disclaimer - All volunteers working in the dental service area must be certified in Bloodborne Pathogen Training.



Members of Hospitality Team secure and supervise lodging, food services and hosting needs.



Responsibilities:

- Secure resources and implement processes related to food and drink for volunteers and possibly patients if desired.
- Secure portable bathrooms according to clinic demands and city regulations.
- Secure lodging accommodations for RAM staff, CORE
- Volunteer leadership and out-of-state health care professionals.
- During the planning process, RAM will provide the volunteer count and number of required rooms to the CHG leader. An effective strategy for many
- Community Host Groups is seeking donated or discounte lodging in the clinic area.
- CHG must acquire a minimum of 15 free rooms for RAM CORE Volunteers and Staff.
- Cabins are acceptable but please do not secure private homes and lodging should be close to clinic area.

Food Details

Volunteers need ready access to healthy food and water every day their services are required, including setup and breakdown days.

- 15% should be made up of vegetarian choices and clearly labeled vegetarian for volunteers.
- Breakfast on each clinic day should begin no later than 5:00 a.m. and end no sooner than 8:00 a.m.
- Lunch should begin no later than 10:30 a.m. and end no sooner than 1:30 p.m.
- Dinner should begin no later than 4:00 p.m. and should end no sooner than 6:15 p.m.
- Healthy snacks should also be provided throughout the day to the many volunteers who are not able to eat at designated times.



Members of Promotion Team publicize the event to spread awareness in the community, which will inform potential patients and help with volunteer recruitment.

Responsibilities:

- Secure media attention prior to the clinic by providing press releases to all local media outlets.
- Use promotional tools provided by RAM such as radio, television, print, and social media material.
- Increase awareness during the clinic by arranging for local press to visit the clinic.

Public Relations Policy

RAM promotes all public clinics through established media sources. Please do not create social media accounts for your event. Doing so dilutes RAM's internet presence, damages search engine optimization, and causes confusion for patients researching RAM clinics for help.

What is the next step?

We can further assist you with any questions and/or concerns about hosting a future clinic that may have not been answered in this Community Host Group Starter Kit.

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*"When together we treat a patient, we change a life. When we treat hundreds of patients, we transform a community. When we transform communities, we can change the health of our nation, one mobile medical RAM clinic at a time."
– Stan Brock, RAM Founder and President –*

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