

Health Extension Program



The telephone rang. Mrs. Moore answered and listened attentively to the person on the other end. They hung up, she immediately dialed for an ambulance. As the Community Health Worker in Bragtown, Durham, North Carolina, she knew the person who needed her help.

Before Mrs. Moore could get to the house of Mrs. Annie Wilkerson, the ambulance had arrived and people had gathered along the street. Mrs. Moore went into the house and found Mrs. Wilkerson lying on the floor. She told the ambulance people to lift Mrs. Wilkerson with care as she suspected a stroke. Mrs. Moore looked around for the family. She spoke to Mrs. Wilkerson's sister as they moved with the ambulance men and their patient to the waiting vehicle. As they rushed to Duke, Mrs. Moore talked gently to Mrs. Wilkerson and held tightly to her hand.

Mrs. Wilkerson did have a stroke and spent three weeks in the hospital. Today she is back on her feet. Her Community Health Worker continued to visit her in the hospital, made arrangements along with the Physician's Assistant for her to move in with her family and carefully explained to the family about all of the medicines Mrs. Wilkerson would be taking. The Bragtown Community Health Workers can be called at any time by people like Mrs. Wilkerson who have medical problems. Mrs. Wilkerson commented, "I really appreciate Mrs. Moore's help." Mrs. Moore has been back several times to see and talk with her neighbor.





Mrs. Quenittle Moore

Tel: 477-2505



Mrs. Patricia White

Tel: 477-9084

ARE YOU SICK? DO YOU NEED MEDICAL ADVICE? You may call your Community Health Worker at the numbers listed above or call or visit the Clinic.

CLINIC: Bluefield Office
Bluefield Street
Durham, N. C. 27704

CLINIC HOURS: Wednesday
1:00-5:00 p.m.

TELEPHONE: 477-7071

CLINIC: Lakeview Baptist Church
Dearborn Drive
Durham, N. C. 27704

CLINIC HOURS: Mon. & Thurs.
1:00-5:00 p.m.

TELEPHONE:

WHAT IS PROJECT HEP? Like many others, the people in Bragtown often need assistance in getting proper medical care. The problems are numerous. These people may ask: Who do I call? Where do I go? How can I pay for all of this medicine? I am crippled and cannot ride a bus. Who will take me? It is not always easy to reach a doctor. This program offers to help this community get **better health care.**

Members of this Community have been chosen to be the link between the people who need medical attention and those who can provide it. The Community Health Workers and Physician's Assistants work in Bragtown. They know the people who live there. The Community Health Worker is easy to call and knows where the people live. She can visit the people to discuss their needs. The Community Health Worker knows where to get transportation for patients and where to get assistance for paying big hospital bills and bills for medicine. The Physician's Assistant can decide if a patient is sick enough to see a doctor or if a home remedy or advice may be all that is needed.

Time is important when one breaks a leg, has a heart attack, faints or falls. The Community Health Worker and Physician's Assistant by working in the community make it easier for the people to reach

them. They are trained to give first aid and other forms of immediate relief. They can also work to prevent sickness by making sure that children are able to get necessary shots and can see a Dentist. They can help those with long term illnesses. By being near by, they can provide hope, reassurance and immediate help when one is in need.





**Mr. Prentiss Harrison
Physician's Assistant**

HOW CAN THE PHYSICIAN'S ASSISTANT HELP YOU? When you are sick and have called Mrs. Moore or Mrs. White, she, in turn, will call the Physician's Assistant. The Physician's Assistant will serve as the link between the Doctor and the Community Health Worker and the patient. The Physician's Assistant is the community's contact with the medical staff. He will see patients during clinic hours or visit you in your home. Along with the Community Health Worker and you, he will aide in setting up an appointment to see a Doctor, arranging for transportation, getting the necessary medicine or therapy and other special care the Doctor may order. The Physician's Assistant will continue to see you to make sure you are getting all the help you may need.



**Prentiss Harrison, Physician's Assistant checks
the throat of a young resident of Bragtown.**

**Residents on
the following
streets qualify
for care under
Project HEP**

Barry	2400
Belvin	800
Berwyn	800
Bluefield	2400-2500
Dearborn	2700-3600
Draper	3300
DuBonnet	000- 100
East Club	1200
Forrester	2900-3000
Hinson	3300
Lake Drive	3000

Maplewood	1300-1400; 2400; 2800
Nellowood	2900
Miriam Cr.	2400
Piper	900
Raven	1000
Roanoke	2400
Ruth	3000
Steadman	1300
Thelma	200- 300
Wiley	1300

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