



NORTHPOINT
Health & Wellness Center

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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I Got the Shot

NorthPoint vaccinated our first 20 frontline staff on 12/31/2020 with vaccines received from Hennepin Public Health. We received 300 more doses from the Minnesota Department of Health this week. We are excited and ready to vaccinate our staff! Now is a great time to [become more informed about the vaccine](#) as we continue move towards vaccines being widely available.



"I would like us get back to normal, take these masks off and see everybody's smiles."

-Carla, Nursing supervisor



"I got the vaccine because it is our best hope for controlling this pandemic. It will protect our patients, our staff, our families and ourselves... and its safe."

-Dr. Erickson, Medical Director



"I am taking the vaccine to protect my kids"

-Xia, Medical Assistant

Give Kids a Smile

NorthPoint will be taking part in Give Kids a Smile on Saturday, February 6th. This is annual event provides free dental care for kids (age 0 – 17).

Spaces available by appointment only!
Call 612-543-2500 to get scheduled!



COVIDaware MN App

Download the free COVIDaware MN app to get notified if you have been near someone who tests positive for COVID-19. Learn more about the app on the [COVIDaware MN website](#).

"NorthPoint Health & Wellness Center supports COVIDaware MN as an innovative tool to increase the effectiveness and timeliness of notifying people that they may have been exposed to the COVID-19 virus. This technology, we believe, will be especially beneficial for communities of color and younger community members. We are looking forward to partnering with the state to realize the full impact of this technology."

– Stella Whitney-West, NorthPoint's CEO

Award Winning Care



NorthPoint's Behavioral Health department won NAMI's Provider of the Year award in Minnesota for 2020. NAMI is the National Alliance on Mental Illness.

"2020 has shed a spotlight on disparities, the disproportionate impact of the pandemic on communities of color and the impact of George Floyd's murder. We are grateful that NorthPoint is there to provide excellent, integrated, and holistic mental health care to the community that has endured great trauma."

-NAMI Minnesota Executive Director Sue Abderholden, Access Press



UCare, a community-based, nonprofit health plan, honored NorthPoint's Medical department as one of the Minnesota clinics and care systems with top results in 2019 Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) measures.

"Our health care provider partners are essential to UCare's people power. Especially during a public health crisis, we owe our providers profound thanks for continuing to serve our members and provide them a path for their best health. You're on the front lines every day making a difference for our members."

-UCare President and CEO Mark Traynor

COVID Care Project

NorthPoint's COVID-19 Care Project is a HOTLINE that helps everyone impacted by COVID-19. Call to get support for physical and emotional needs. We can help connect you to resources like housing assistance, food and healthcare. You don't need to have COVID-19 for this support.

Staff are available by phone Monday - Friday from 8:30 am - 5 pm

- Kathy (español), Counseling Lead, 612-767-9171
- Zae, Community Health Worker, 612-767-9151



The Pharmacy has a New APP

You can now order refills for your NorthPoint prescriptions online and through an app on your phone. Remember NorthPoint Pharmacy will only fill prescriptions ordered by NorthPoint providers.

Visit our ["pharmacy refill" page](#) to learn more and download the app.

Online Bill Pay

You can now pay your NorthPoint bill online in 3 easy steps without registering. All you need is your account number from your paper bill. [Visit our “pay bills” page](#) to get access.

Note: NorthPoint is not currently accepting online payments for dental services. To make a payment for dental services, please call 612-543-2544.



Penn Ave Construction

Hennepin County hosted a [virtual open house](#) regarding the Penn Ave Improvement Project. The presentation covers:

- Overview of the project including improvements and features
- Anticipated project schedule, impacts and detours
- Information about projects occurring nearby including Plymouth Ave Reconstruction and NorthPoint’s Campus Expansion

How to stay connected: Visit www.hennepin.us/pennavenue to sign up for program updates, email transportation@hennepin.us or 612-348-8448

Thanks for Supporting NorthPoint

Thank you for helping NorthPoint stand strong in 2021. Because you care and took action, we were able to show up in 2020 in the same way we have for 52 years. Together, we raised over \$400,000 last year. We are grateful for your commitment to NorthPoint’s leadership in North Minneapolis. Thank you for partnering with us to create a healthier community!

Interested in [amplifying your giving](#) and supporting a future in North Minneapolis that’s more equitable, fair and just, for everyone? Let’s talk!

Contact Penny Schumacher, Advancement Officer, pschumacher@npimn.org or 612-767-9736



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