

# Generations of Compassion: A Sun River Health success story that you helped write!

**For over two decades, Erin has called Sun River Health Beacon her medical home.**

**But to her, it's much more than a place to receive care — it's family.**

“I've been going to Sun River Health Beacon for the last 20 years — and so have all six of my children!” Erin shares with a smile that lights up her face. “When I moved to Beacon from New York City in 1989, Sun River Health was the only health center that would take my insurance.”

What began as a vital necessity — finding a health care provider who would care for her children — blossomed into a relationship that has spanned generations.

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## **A Doctor Who Listens**

At the heart of Erin's Sun River Health experience is Dr. Kenneth Desa, who has been her family's physician since day one.

“We wait to see him at the health center if we can, because we love his bedside manner,” Erin explains. “He always answers my questions and puts himself in the place of not just a patient, but also a parent. He understands things about me culturally that make me feel comfortable — like I'm always speaking to somebody who cares about me.”

## **From Patient to Health Promoter**

Erin's relationship with Sun River Health extends beyond her role as a patient. For the past 15 years, she has volunteered as a health promoter by reaching out to men, women and families to tell them how to get the care they need.

“I might be a little biased,” she admits, “but through my experience — even as a health promoter — I know that people at Sun River Health will go above and beyond pull out all the stops, to make sure they can reach out to patients with the services they need.”

This commitment to community outreach is central to Sun River Health's mission. By meeting people where they are — physically, emotionally, and financially — Sun River Health removes barriers to care.

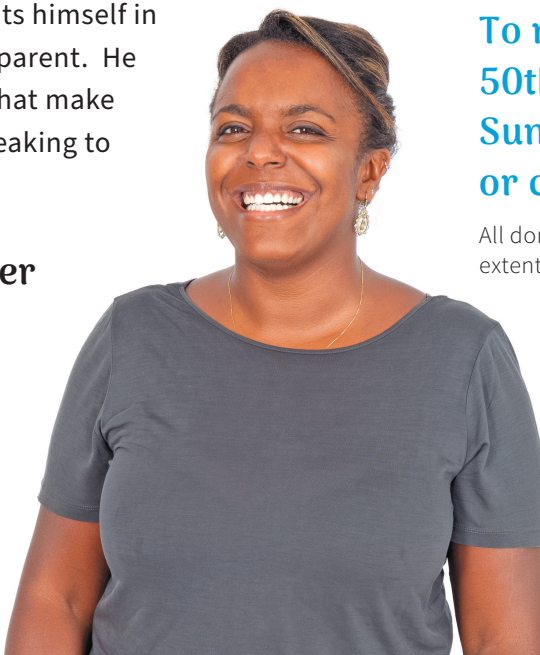
“We strive to make people comfortable coming into the health center for care — whether they have insurance or not,” Erin says. “We are really making a difference in the community.”

## **Your Support Makes a Difference**

**Stories like Erin's are only possible because of supporters like you. Your donation to Sun River Health ensures that everyone in our community has access to compassionate, inclusive health care — regardless of their insurance or ability to pay.**

At Sun River Health, we go beyond treatment; we address the root causes of health disparities, ensuring everyone receives the care they need and deserve.

Join us. Make an impact. The future of health care starts today.



**To make your 50th Anniversary gift, visit [SunRiver.org/foundation](https://SunRiver.org/foundation) or call (914) 734-8555.**

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Sun River Health was born out of a proud history rooted in the desire to serve those most in need. In the early 1970s, four African American women looked out at their community and witnessed a lack of affordable, quality health care and decided to do something about it.

With seed money from a small federal grant, the first health center was born in 1975. That single health center blossomed into a vital network that now serves more than 250,000 patients throughout the Hudson Valley, New York City, and Long Island.



## Our 50th Anniversary Campaign will support four key pillars of healthy communities.

Here's how your gift will make a difference:

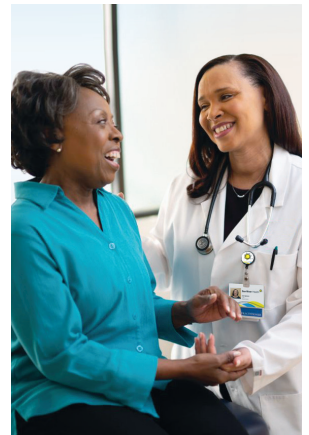
### Child Health

Building healthy foundations for our youngest community members is essential to healthy communities. Our comprehensive pediatric services include not just medical care, but also developmental screenings, nutritional guidance, and preventive health education that set children on a path to lifelong wellness and achievement. Your gift ensures that no child will be overlooked, regardless of their family's income or insurance.



### Women's Health

Women are often the cornerstone of family health, yet their own needs can go unaddressed. Through comprehensive reproductive care, preventive screenings, and maternal health services, we empower women to prioritize their well-being while supporting them through every life stage. Healthy women build healthy communities. Your contribution gives all women access to compassionate holistic health care.



### Senior Health

Our seniors deserve care that honors their dignity and unique needs. We provide specialized geriatric services that address chronic conditions, promote wellness, and create support systems that help our elders maintain independence and quality of life as they age. Every senior deserves to age with respect and proper care. Your generosity will bring dignified health care to an elderly man or woman in need.



### Agricultural Workers

The essential workers who feed our communities often face the greatest barriers to health care. Our mobile units bring medical services directly to farms and rural areas, while our culturally responsive approach ensures workers receive care that addresses their unique occupational health challenges. Your donation helps agricultural workers, and their families receive quality health care to address their most pressing needs, including poor nutrition, asthma, and musculoskeletal issues.

Thank You. With Your Help, We're Here For Each And Every Patient.