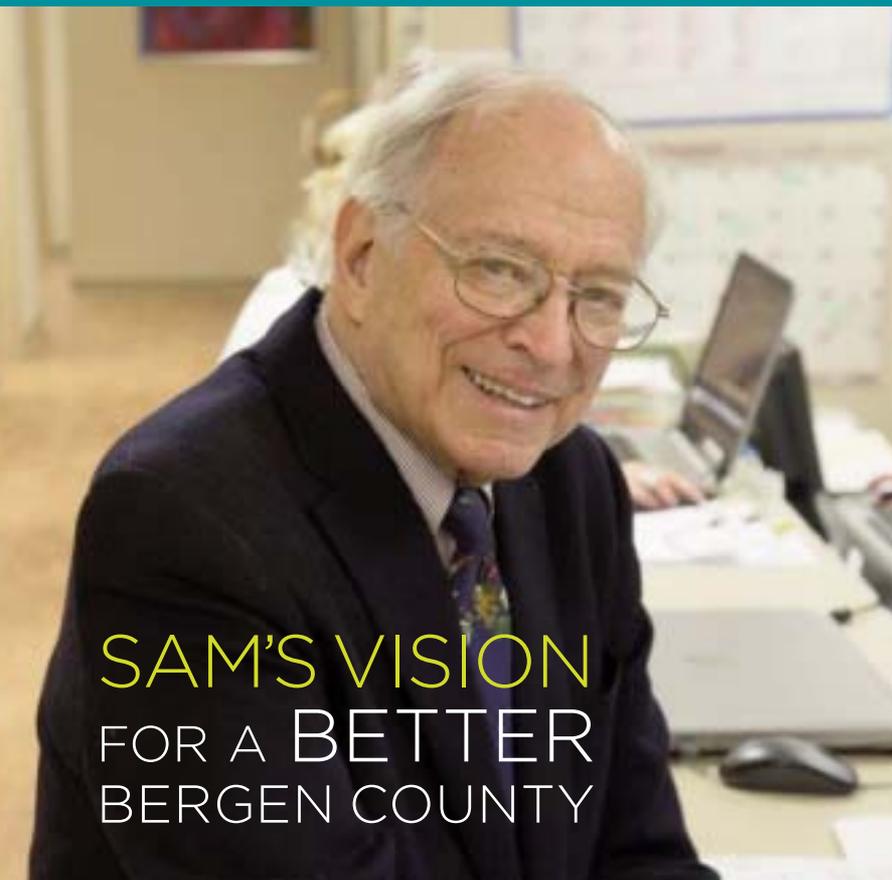




DR. SAMUEL A. CASSELL LEGACY SOCIETY

“When you take care of a person’s health, you are taking care of their family and community as well.” – *Dr. Samuel A. Cassell*



SAM'S VISION FOR A BETTER BERGEN COUNTY

Dr. Sam Cassell was an internist for more than 40 years, so he understood how having access to quality healthcare could change lives. He was shocked to learn that thousands of people – in one of the wealthiest counties in the US – did not have health insurance or money to pay for medical care. Inspired by his life experiences, including a medical mission to Haiti, Sam decided to find a way to help hardworking people get the medical care they needed.

Working with a dedicated team of volunteers, Sam realized his dream when BVMI opened its doors in 2009. Working residents of Bergen County who could not afford healthcare now have a place to go.

Sadly, Sam passed away in 2019, but his dream – and his legacy – live on in BVMI. In tribute to this great man, BVMI established the Dr. Samuel A. Cassell Legacy Society.

WE NEED YOU NOW – FOR THE FUTURE OF BVMI

Our ongoing work is supported by many individuals who make gifts annually. Their generosity makes it possible for BVMI to provide free medical care for our hard-working Bergen County neighbors who do not have – and cannot afford – health insurance.

The need for BVMI's special brand of healthcare continues to grow. You can help us meet that need in future years by making a planned gift to BVMI. By doing so, you'll become part of the Dr. Samuel A. Cassell Legacy Society, named in honor of BVMI's founder.

By making a legacy gift, hundreds of patients will be healthier and happier, simply because you cared.

Sam's life made such a difference. Here's your chance to make a difference, too.



As someone who worked to create BVMI, I joined the Legacy Society because I wanted to ensure its future ability to safeguard the health of the many in our community who depend on its services. It is a simple matter to include BVMI in your estate planning.



JANET FINKE
LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBER



“*No one lives forever, and to be able to leave a substantial gift to BVMI in your will is a great feeling. Dr. Sam Cassell set an example for us all. Legacy Society gifts honor his commitment to first-class healthcare for everyone – including those who need a hand.*”

EMILY & ROLF HENEL
LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBERS



WAYS TO JOIN

Here are a few examples of ways you can leave a lasting legacy through your estate:

- Make a gift through your will or trust
- Include BVMI as a beneficiary of a retirement plan or life insurance policy
- Name BVMI on your donor advised fund succession plan
- Designate BVMI as a bank or brokerage account beneficiary
- Establish a charitable remainder trust that benefits family first, then BVMI
- Create a charitable gift annuity

Your gift to the Dr. Samuel A. Cassell Legacy Society will be appropriately acknowledged, and may be made in honor or memory of a loved one.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Legacy gifts ensure the future for BVMI. As a member, you will enjoy:

- The satisfaction of making a gift that will ensure BVMI's services will be available to those who need them
- Pin and certificate of recognition
- Invitations to special Legacy Society events
- BVMI's newsletters and annual report

YOUR LEGACY

We hope you will consider a legacy gift to BVMI as part of your estate plan.

This information may be helpful to you and your advisors:

Our Legal Name: Bergen Volunteer Medical Initiative, Inc.
Address: 75 Essex Street, Suite 100, Hackensack, NJ 07601
Federal Tax ID: 20-2633437

Sample bequest language:

I give, devise and bequeath to Bergen Volunteer Medical Initiative, Inc. (BVMI), the sum of \$_____ (or _____%) to be used for BVMI's general use and purposes.

**If you have any questions about BVMI and the
Dr. Samuel A. Cassell Legacy Society,
please contact Amanda Missey, amissey@bvmi.net, 201-518-8484**

“ I am 80 years old and wanted to extend my support for BVMI beyond my lifetime. As always, I am inspired by BVMI's mission and its people.

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MIKE ARMELLINO
LEGACY SOCIETY MEMBER



ABOUT BVMI

BVMI is a state-licensed ambulatory care center located in Hackensack, NJ. Powered by passionate volunteers, BVMI meets the medical needs of low-income, working, uninsured adults in Bergen County by providing free, comprehensive, patient-centered primary healthcare.

BVMI provides primary, preventive, urgent and chronic care to 1,500 patients in 9,200 visits annually. More than 140 volunteers – supported by a small paid staff – donate more than \$640,000 in pro bono service. All area hospitals provide diagnostic services, Quest Diagnostics provides free lab work and 200 specialists in the community agree to see our patients for free.

BVMI does not receive payment from patients, reimbursement from insurance companies or government support. We rely on our generous donors to be sure that BVMI is there for our patients when they need us.



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