

INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE OF CHICAGO

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Established by three key and 26 prominent physicians.



Frank Billings, MD



Ludvig Hektoen, MD



William Allen Pusey, MD

1917

Published the first IOMC proceedings for multi-institutional disciplinary members, as well as regional leaders.

1920

Implemented an autopsy survey which led to improving quality of care about diseases.

1923

Began research for "Needs of Chicago in Nervous and Mental Disease," which surveyed hospitals, and began registering, and training of psychiatric nurses.



1928

Advocated to change Illinois Law to establish a medical examiner system that succeeded by replacing coroner with a trained medical examiner.

1930

Promoted fair housing for the homeless and improved safety conditions for workers due to the Great Depression.



1941

As US enters World War II, IOMC recruited doctors to provide care to wounded soldiers.



1945

Advocated and persuaded the City of Chicago to develop a broader, more accessible, emergency public ambulance service. Initially purchasing 14 ambulances with restricted use, then broadening the scope to transport sick people.



Dr. Leonidas Harris Berry, MD helped chair the commission.



1949

Established the 'African-American Health Commission' to improve access to care in African American neighborhoods.

1952

Launched the publication, "Integration of Medical Hospital Medical Staff."

1954

Co-authored and disseminated the "Integration of Medical Care Report" with the Chicago Commission to promote and ensure hospitals hire African American physicians.

1960

Expanded the improvement of quality care with healthcare organizations throughout the region.



1965

Celebrated its 50th anniversary.

1971

Advocated and unveiled the Illinois Medical Practice Act, outlawing unfair practices of fee-splitting and kickbacks in health care.

Organized lecture series and television specials to educate public and professionals about health issues of the time.



1987

Partnered to pass the Illinois Medical Practice Act, which gave the state authority to license practicing physicians.

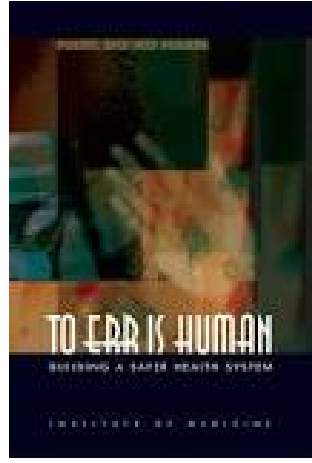
1999

Partnered with Portes Foundation to disseminate grant funding for health promotion and disease prevention and honor individuals showing excellence in promoting health disease and helping vulnerable populations.



2001

Acted on *To Err is Human*, by establishing the Chicago Patient Safety Forum (now Project Patient Care), which collects patient safety data.



2003

Awarded Dr. Serafino Garella's research which launched the West Town CommunityHealth Clinic.

2004

Hosted 'Eliminating Health Disparities in Chicago: A Call to Action.' Over 200 leaders focused on a roadmap that set the course for community health care workers to reach 10K unduplicated individuals in 2009.

2007-2008

Hosted leaders to determine remedies regarded gun violence and became a member of Illinois Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence and met with legislators and summited editorials.



2009

Partnered with Chicago Region Advance Care Planning Coalition and launched "Someone to Trust Advanced Care Planning Initiative" to provide training and improving end-of-life-healthcare.

2012

Hosted the first 'State of the Health of Chicago' Conference to raise identify the challenges and barriers impacting the health of the area.

2015

Celebrated its 100th anniversary.



2016

Expanded the community health workers through a competitive grant process focused on recruitment and education.

2017

Identified eight key issues at the 'State of Health of Chicago' as most urgent to the area: Social determinants of health - Gun Violence, Mental Health, Opioid Epidemic, CHWs, State of Disabled, State of Uninsured, and the State of Education in Healthcare Workforce.

2018

Disseminated white paper describing CHWs grant funding results-nearly 200 CHWs in six content areas focused on four innovative areas.

2019

Published with the Midwest Business Group on Health, "Turn the Tide on Mental Health" a roadmap to impact mental health for the employees and their families.

Awarded funds from the Portes and Michael Reese Education and Research Foundations to complete a landscape analyses to establish a Wellbeing Community Trust addressing social determinants of care.