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Kathy Grier Named Executive Director of York County Free Clinic

Kathy Grier of Rock Hill has been named executive director of the York County Free Clinic, effective Oct. 1.

Grier succeeds Janet Selz of Waxhaw, a nurse practitioner who served the clinic nearly five years, the last year as its first executive director, according to Bob Thompson, chair of the clinic's board of directors. Selz resigned to spend more time with her family, he said.

From 2002 to 2013, Grier was director of development and public relations for York Place, the Episcopal Church Home for Children in York. After York Place merged with Thompson of Charlotte in 2013, she was director of individual giving and community relations until July 2015. From 1998-2002, she held major roles in Winthrop University's development department and its first-ever capital campaign. A native of Rock Hill, Grier is a graduate of Winthrop.

"Janet Selz built a higher level of service for the York County Free Clinic as a healer and leader, and we wish her well," Thompson said. "Kathy Grier is a proven and well-known professional with a strong record in the governance of non-profit organizations. She will move us forward."

Head Nurse Practitioner Brandy Farmer; Director of Development Mickey Beckham; and Administrative Director Betty Beckham will continue in their roles, Thompson said.

The York County Free Clinic at 410 Oakland Avenue in Rock Hill serves more than 500 patients and has nearly 3,000 office visits a year. The clinic provides free primary care to lower-income uninsured York County adults 18-64. Newer services for eligible patients include optometry, dental care, mammograms, smoking cessation, nutrition and obesity counseling.

A small staff and dozens of medical and other volunteers provide services. The clinic operates exclusively on gifts from individuals, corporations and foundations. The staff can be reached at 803-366-6337.

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