At the Free Clinic, we provide free primary care and a connection to community resources. Our mission is to create a healthier community by providing healthcare for uninsured/underinsured people of our area. All services are free of charge. We've been in operation since June 2010 and have served over 2,200 patients. Except for the Clinic Director and Volunteer Coordinator, the clinic is run by volunteers. Local healthcare organizations that provide ongoing support are:

- Cumberland Health Care
- Marshfield Medical Center
- Mayo Clinic Health System-Northland
- Spooner Health

Our clinic depends on donations. An endowment fund has also been established to help ensure the future stability of the clinic. We appreciate donations of any size. You can send them to:

Rice Lake Area Free Clinic
1035 North Main Street, Suite G02
Rice Lake, WI 54868

Melissa Price, RN is the Clinic Director and Christina R. our Administrative Assistant/Volunteer Coordinator. They are available other weekdays by appointment only. Please feel free to call and leave a message.

Clinic phone: 715-736-3733 Fax: 715-736-3734

Free Clinic

Serving Northwestern Wisconsin

1035 North Main Street, Rice Lake (715) 736-3733

Appointment Times

The Free Clinic is open every Tuesday and 2 Mondays a month. The **first Tuesday we are open 10am-1pm**, all other Tuesdays 4-7pm in the Medical Arts Building on the far North end of Main Street on the ground floor. Monday clinics are also morning appointments. You may schedule an appointment by going to: https://freeclinicrl.setmore.com

CHECK IN

When you arrive, you'll check in at the front desk and may be asked to fill out a medical history form.

Do You Qualify to be Seen at the Free Clinic?

You may be eligible if:

- You do NOT have BadgerCare or Medicare
- You do not have affordable health insurance and you make less than 200% of the Federal Poverty Level . You may need to provide us with proof of income.
- You have large amounts of medical debt.

At the Free Clinic we offer Primary Care Services

A nurse will call you from the waiting room. The nurse will take your blood pressure, temperature, pulse, ask about allergies, and list your medications. Please bring all of your meds with you to clinic visits. They will ask about your health. The nurse may tell you about services that might help you. You will then see a doctor, Physician's Assistant, or Nurse Practitioner. They will talk with you about your health concerns and suggest treatment.

OTHER SERVICES

We have some other services available. These services change each week. You can get these services after you see a provider or you may be asked to come to the clinic only for these services. The typical monthly schedule is:

~ Physical Therapist: as scheduled
~ Dietician: as scheduled
~ Behavioral Health Counseling: 2 Tuesdays a month

Unfortunately we are unable to offer psychiatric services.
We can direct you to other sources for this.

Family Planning and STI testing is referred to Public Health.

MEDICATIONS

The provider may order medicine for you. We have many common medications in stock. You can get them on the night of clinic.

Four Dollar Lists...Some patients choose to pay for their own meds and you will be given a paper prescription to take to a pharmacy.

Patient Assistance Programs… Some patients can get medications from drug companies for free. We will help you apply for these programs when appropriate.

Med refills only… for established patients, we are frequently able to schedule appointments to fill their medicines without having to see a provider.

Limits to our Med Room... We don't provide any narcotics / controlled substances, or birth control. We can help you find other places to get birth control. **Our mental health medications are limited to antidepressants.** We only provide meds prescribed in our clinic. Tell us if you have been prescribed medication somewhere else. One of our providers may be able to order it for you or they may order a similar drug.

LAB WORK

You may need lab work after you see the provider. We'll draw your blood right at the clinic. Most tests take a few days to get results. We'll contact you with the results, usually by text message. Sometimes we aren't able to reach you. Please call to find out your results if you do not hear from us.