

# **Newsletter**

Spring 2023



#### Welcome: New Board Member

RoundtableRx is excited to introduce Kristin Taylor MBA to the Board of Directors. Kristin brings her ample experience in finance & leadership to this new role. When asked why she joined the Board, Kristin said:



"My previous experience in pharmacy benefit management & the payor world gave me first-hand knowledge of the challenges in getting people the medications they desperately need. Given this, when I was invited to join the RoundtableRx Board of Directors I was thrilled to be able to join the team in supporting the win-win mission of providing Minnesotans in need with unused medications while reducing waste.

"Access to medications is such a fundamental need, & it's wonderful to be part of a solution. But solutions to hard problems can be hard work. And that is another reason I was excited to join the RoundtableRx team. Management & the board have done a great job of bringing together a team from various technical & business disciplines to get the job done. My experience with early-stage companies has made me extra appreciative of the challenges & rewards of making a dream a reality, & it starts with a strong team."

### Legislative Session 2023: Seeking State Funding

RoundtableRx is seeking state funding during the 2023 legislative session support program growth 3 ensure sustainability. Our bill has been included in the House & Senate Omnibus bills. If passed, the bill would provide \$450,000 annually for the 2024 & 2025 fiscal years. In line with other U.S. repository programs, the funds will support staffing & operating costs.

#### **Impact Report**

In the first quarter of 2023, RoundtableRx distributed 7,230 days of medicine to Minnesotans in need, bringing our lifetime impact to over 27,500 days of medicine valued at nearly \$143,000 (AWP).

This year, RoundtableRx has already welcomed three new Local Repository partners, including <u>Open Cities Health Center</u>, <u>The Aliveness Project</u>, & <u>Allina Health's Piper Building Pharmacy</u>. Our Local Repository <u>partners</u> now represent 21 sites in 11 unique Minnesota counties.

RoundtableRx invites clinics & pharmacies state-wide to join as Local Repository partners to access our no-cost medicines for under-resourced Minnesota residents. Learn how on our website or by contacting our team.



### Testimony from a RoundtableRx Patient

Earlier this year, a senior-citizen in rural Minnesota faced challenges obtaining their expensive cancer medicine. They reported to RoundtableRx that the Foundation they had been using "ran out of funds & I had 6 days left of medicine." The patient contacted their prescriber (a Local Repository partner), secured this \$16,000 medication from RoundtableRx, & was able to continue their treatment. "This was a godsend!" they stated.



#### 2nd Annual Fundraiser & Celebration

In November, RoundtableRx hosted our 2nd Annual Fundraiser & Celebration at the Woman's Club of Minneapolis, with over 100 attendees & over \$12,000 raised. The evening was highlighted by our guest speakers, including two of our Local Repository partners, as well as Minnesota Representative Chair Tina Liebling.

During the event, awards were presented to some of our most dedicated volunteers, including Alex Hutchens PD3, Carolyn Herrmann RPh, & Sawyer Radermacher. The Local Repository of the Year award went to Essentia Health's First Street Pharmacy for going above & beyond to deliver RoundtableRx medicine to Minnesotans outside of their traditional service area that otherwise lack access. Big thank you to everyone that attended & made a donation to

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#### Thank You Funders!

RoundtableRx is grateful for the generous support we receive from our funders. This support comes in the form of grants, gifts & donations. Without this support, RoundtableRx would be unable to complete our mission-driven work. The entities providing this support this fiscal year are highlighted here. Please join us in thanking them for their support!









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