

Sovereign Immunity Protection through the State of Georgia

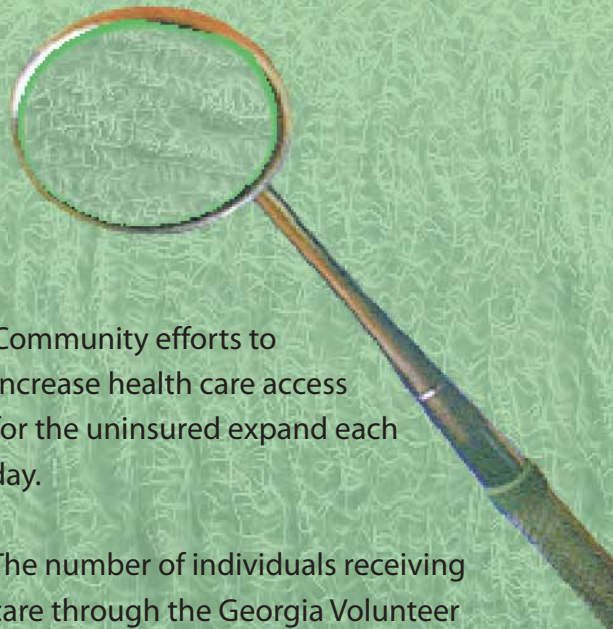
Now you can help strengthen your community while protecting yourself.

The Georgia Department of Community Health Georgia Volunteer Health Care Program extends state-sponsored Sovereign Immunity (SI) protection to providers who volunteer their professional skills under the Georgia Volunteer Health Care Program. (See O.C.G.A. 31-8-190 et seq.)

A Public/Private Partnership Supported by Dedicated Volunteers

The Georgia Volunteer Health Care Program provides an avenue for health care professionals to donate, under SI protection, their medical and dental care services to the uninsured and low-income Georgia residents.

Through the Georgia Volunteer Health Care Program, local health departments, community and faith-based organizations, and dedicated licensed health care professionals join forces to volunteer their valuable time and skills to assist those in need.




Community efforts to increase health care access for the uninsured expand each day.

The number of individuals receiving care through the Georgia Volunteer Health Care Program grows annually and will continue to grow providing local medical, dental, nursing, hospital associations and ancillary providers continue to support these efforts.

We need your help.

For program information or to participate, please contact:
GAVolunteers@dch.ga.gov



“Research has shown that people who volunteer often live longer.”
-Allen Klein



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Fast Facts:

In 2005, the Georgia General Assembly passed the "Health Share" Volunteers in Medicine Act, which created the Georgia Volunteer Health Care Program. The intent of the legislation is two-fold:

- 1. To increase access to health care for uninsured and underserved Georgians, and
- 2. To increase the number of health care volunteers by offering them immunity from liability and suit pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 50-21-25.

Many qualified Georgians receive valuable health and dental care services as a result of the efforts of thousands of dedicated volunteers.



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