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Volunteers In Medicine HHI Clinic, BB&T Team up to enhance clinic and programs

Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, May 28, 2017 – Volunteers in Medicine Hilton Head Clinic is teaming up with BB&T to benefit both the Diabetes and Hypertension Classes as well as the Wellness program classes with the purchase of educational equipment. Other departments of VIM HHI, such as nursing education and development would also be able to benefit from this generous donation. Associates from BBT Bluffton and Hilton Head will volunteer their time on June 17 to paint door frames throughout the clinic.

VIM HHI and BB&T invite other members of the community to join them as they help make physical improvements in the clinic. To volunteer or for more information, contact VIM HHI Development Office at (843) 689-6612.

The BB&T volunteers are taking part in the company's ninth annual Lighthouse Project. The teams have each selected a project to assist a nonprofit agency to complete between April and June to make a positive impact on the lives of people in need. BB&T hopes their efforts encourage others in the community to volunteer their time and support organizations such as Volunteers in Medicine HHI.

Volunteers in Medicine Hilton Head Island was established on Hilton Head Island in 1993 and today provides free medical, dental, mental health, vision and prescription drug care for those residents of the community who live and or work on Hilton Head or Daufuskie Island, earn less than 200% of federal poverty levels and are underinsured or uninsured. Last year, VIM provided care across more than 30,000 patient visits and is the model for 96 free health clinics throughout the country. Funding is through grants and donations. VIM neither seeks nor accepts government support and, on a daily basis, fulfills the mission: *to understand and serve the health and wellness needs of the medically underserved population and their households, living and/or working on Hilton Head and Daufuskie Islands.* Volunteers in Medicine Hilton Head Island is located at 15 Northridge Drive. For information call 843.689.6612 or visit www.vimclinic.org.

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