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# AA&NHPI Health Center Summit

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# **OUR “EXPOSURE” TO HEPATITIS B – LESSONS LEARNED**

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# HOPE CLINIC APPRECIATES THE RECOGNITION FROM TASKFORCE

- Taskforce is a “mutual admiration society”
- We are relative newcomers to the hep B scene
- We are here to learn from the other Taskforce members



# MY BACKGROUND

- Born in Rhode Island, grew up in southern Spain
- Undergraduate major = geography
- Former naval officer → outlaw
- Med school: Univ of Connecticut, Family medicine residency: Georgetown University
- Preventive medicine residency: Johns Hopkins
- Speak decent Spanish, & a variety of other languages very poorly

**“Will you come sing karaoke with me tonight, pretty please?”**



# ASIAN AMERICAN HEALTH COALITION DBA HOPE CLINIC

- In 1994, the Asian American Health Coalition (AAHC) was formed to reduce health disparities in the Asian American Community.
- HOPE Clinic was established by AAHC in 2001

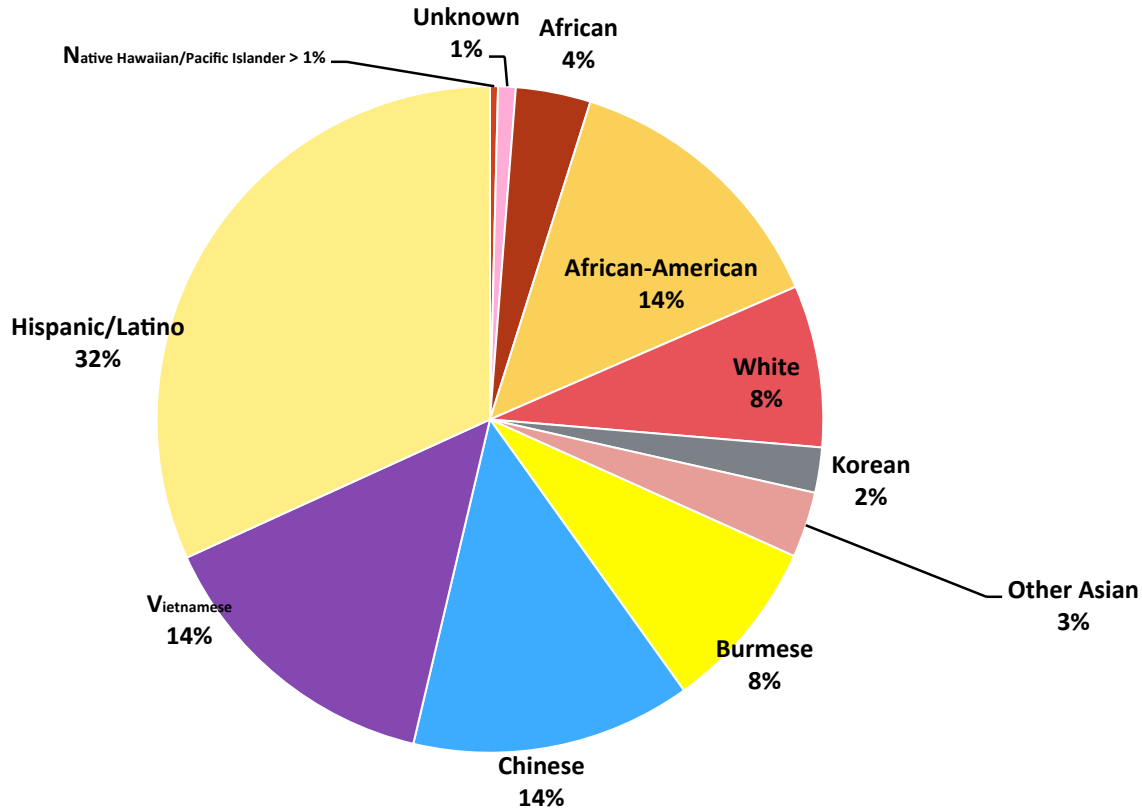
*Our Mission: “to provide quality health care without any prejudice to all people of greater Houston, in a culturally and linguistically competent manner.”*

- 2005 Hurricane Katrina victims received HOPE Clinic’s assistance
- 2007, HOPE Clinic moved to its current location
- HOPE Clinic is an FQHC with 3 sites

*Our Vision: “A healthy community with quality, affordable health care for all.”*



# PATIENT DIVERSITY



Patient Mix



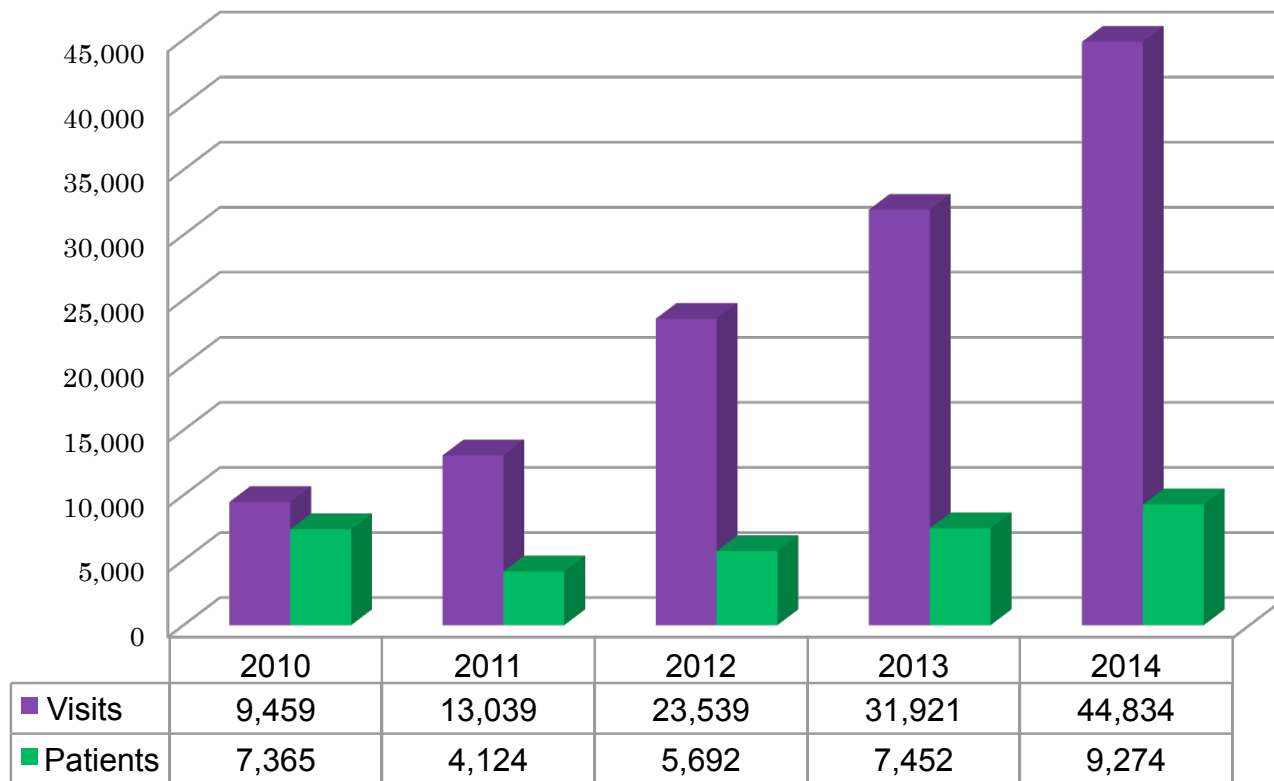
# (SOME OF) OUR PARTNERS

- American Cancer Society – Houston
- American College of Acupuncture Medicine
- Asian American Family Services
- Asian Cancer Council
- Asian Senior Coalition
- Baylor College of Medicine
- Asian Pacific American Medical Students
- Office of Outreach and Health Disparities
- PAMSA
- Boat People SOS
- Burmese American Association of Texas
- Chinese Community Center
- City of Houston – Health Dept.
- Filipino Cancer Network of America/ Houston
- Filipino Doctors & Nurses Assoc.
- Gateway to Care
- Herald Cancer Assoc. – Houston
- Harris Health
- Harris County Public Health Services
- Houston Korean Nurses Assoc
- Shifa Foundation Clinic

- Ibn Sina Foundation Clinic
- Indian American Cancer Network
- Light & Salt Assoc.
- M.D. Anderson Cancer Center:
  - Center for Research on Minority Health
  - Dept. of Health Disparities Research
- Polynesian Culture Assoc. – Houston
- Rose, The
- Sam Houston State Univ. – Sociology Dept.
- Shifa Clinic
- Taiwanese Heritage Society
- Texas Children's Hospital:
- Texas Liver Coalition
- Texas Woman's University
- U.H. College of Pharmacy
- U.T. School of Biomedical Informatics
- U.T. School of Public Health
- University of Houston School of Optometry
- University of Houston School of Social Work
- Vietnamese Cultural and Science Association
- Vietnamese American Medical Assoc.
- VN Teamwork
- India House
- ADA

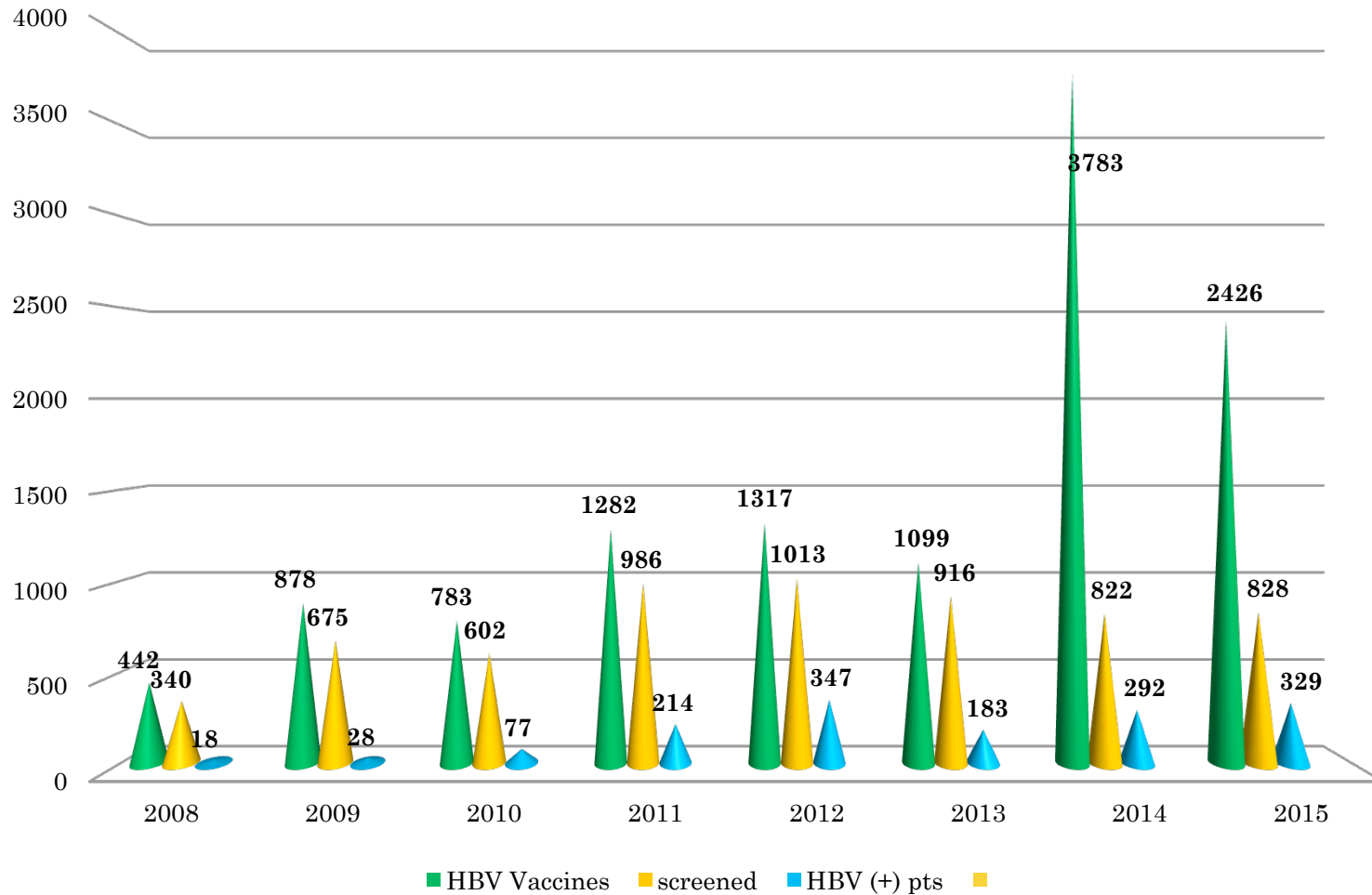


# PATIENTS AND ENCOUNTERS





# B FREE HOUSTON (HBV)



# CHRONIC HEPATITIS B ON PROBLEM LIST

- Roughly 500 patients ever at Hope Clinic
- Not all under active management
- About 50 on tenofovir (Viread) medication
- About 50 on entecavir (Baraclude) medication
- 2 patients on lamivudine medication
- 14 patients with cirrhosis of liver on Problem List
- No cases of hep B associated liver cancer “in the data”
- 120 cases of chronic hepatitis C

