

Anti-tuberculosis Association

They didn't wait...they acted

1912

50 new cases of TB

April Sanatorium opened with 1 patient
5 more were admitted that month
Cost - \$5 per patient

June "Jewish Society formed for the purpose of supporting one of our cases until cured."



\$910.86 Christmas Seals sales
\$24,130.65 today

1913

November Sanatorium burned
Patients moved to Eastern Maine

General Hospital porch

1914

March Stock company formed, raised \$6,000 to rebuild sanatorium

December New sanatorium opened

1915

76 new cases of TB

Doctor's pay raised - \$25 to \$30 a month

19 patients sent to sanatorium

2 sent to City Farm

15 patients died

4 children placed in Children's Home

1 child sent to Good Samaritan home due to illness of parent

1914-1918

WWI deaths = 16.5 million

Civilian deaths from TB = approximately 16.5 million.

1921 Open Air School opened

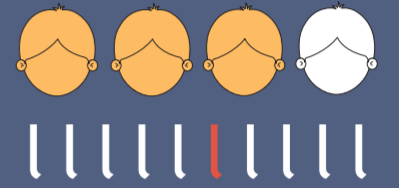
1st all day open air school in Maine.
Hot lunch served.
For children exposed to TB.



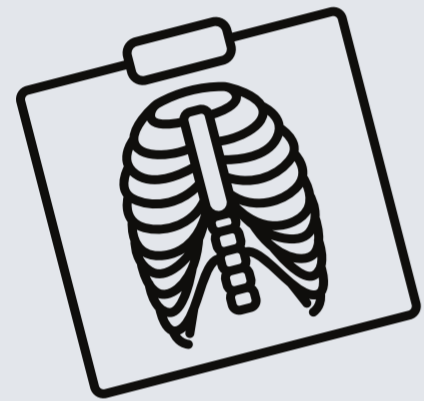
1926 annual report

75% of children infected by age 15

10% of those die of TB later in life



In the 1930s



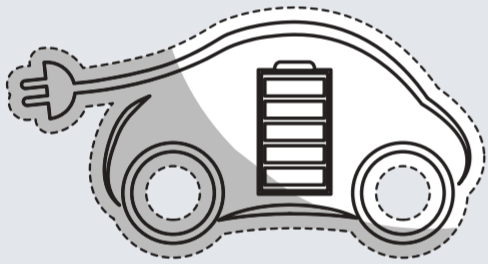
October, 1930 - Junior Welfare League presented portable X-ray machine to the York Street Clinic.

November 1937 - Pasteurized milk started to be used by sanatorium



Add a subheading

April 1931 - Discontinuance of electric cars by the sanatorium created a problem of obtaining nurses.



February 1932 - TB testing in all grades

*Mary Snow, Fairmount, Palm Street, Union Square, Freshmen



*Mary Snow School had a 33% reactor rate

Results:	Enrollment	2,049
	Tested	1,281
	% tested	62%
	Reactors	121
	%	10%

119 were x-rayed
34 physical exams
8 showed childhood form of disease

1946

June

First record of voluntary x-rays for food handlers

September

First Bangor teachers x-rayed according to new state law



A new name

1950

Bangor-Brewer TB & Health Association

- 193 TB cases
- 11 deaths in Bangor and Brewer

\$8018.41 Christmas Seals sales
\$85,498.88 today



1955

New medications shorten hospital stays
Sanatorium closes-served 1,000s

ORGANIZATION SETS A NEW COURSE

- Expand public education campaign
- Expand (free) x-ray service
- Continue adult medical clinic
- Promote need for social work
- Promote water fluoridation
- Promote housing code
- Promote need for mental and psychiatric health services
- Promote rehabilitation services for faster recovery
- Provide scholarships - medical training and course work

Used as an incentive to donate to the cause

One last name change

1988

Penobscot Valley Health Association

Organization continues case studies, identifying medical issues that need to be addressed.

- AIDS**
- PVHA supported initial AIDS work and support
 - Supported start of local AIDS networks
 - When networks became self-supporting-moved on to next issue
 - Now - Health Equity Alliance

- Teen Homelessness**
- sold equipment, bought beds from hospital
 - started Shaw House

1998

Organization disbands
Continues Community Support

Endowment moved to Maine Community Foundation
PVHA grant funds - support community medical needs

Today: the Opioid Crisis

Some of the organizations PVHA Funds awarded to
Acadia Hospital, Bangor Area Recovery Network,
Bangor Public Health & Community Services, Penobscot
Community Health Care