



IT Internship at the Community Health Center of the North Country

Report #1: The Organization

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General Information:

- a. **Name of Organization:** Community Health Center of The North Country
- b. **Address:** 4 Commerce Lane, Canton, NY 13617
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Operational Hours:

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| Tuesday | 7AM–7PM |
| Wednesday | 7AM–7PM |
| Thursday | 7AM–5PM |
| Friday | 7AM–5PM |
| Saturday | Closed |
| Sunday | Closed |

Monday

7AM–7PM

Type of Organization:

4. **Type:** State funded. Operates under the United Cerebral Palsy Association of the North Country, Inc.
5. **Specific unit in the organization:** IT Department.

History of the Organization:

- a. **When was the organization founded?**

Community Health Center of the North Country operates under United Cerebral Palsy Association of the North Country, Inc., which started as a division under Cerebral Palsy Associations of New York State in 1975.¹

- b. **Who were the founders of this organization?**

- c. **What was the original location of the organization?**

Canton, NY.

- d. **What was the original purpose for which the organization was founded?**

The history page of the organization's official website states that,“(The) Community Health Center of the North Country operates under United Cerebral Palsy Association of the North Country, Inc., which started as a division under Cerebral Palsy Associations of New York State in 1975. It was initially a single room office at the Canton-Potsdam Hospital, where case management-type services were offered by a Home Service Director.”²

- e. **Write a brief description of the organization as it exists today.**

¹ <http://chcnorthcountry.org/history>

² <http://chcnorthcountry.org/history>

The Community Health Center is a fairly typical state run income based medical facility. They provide patients with various health services including, but not limited to dental, family care, and optometry. Their patients are charged based on their income making the health center more accessible for residents of St. Lawrence and Franklin County.

They have locations in Malone, Gouverneur, and Canton. They also control the WIC Program in St. Lawrence and Franklin counties.