

Dear Mr. President and Mrs. Clinton:

Cardiovascular disease costs our nation over \$127 billion a year.

We're doing something about it.

Approximately 18 percent of all health care costs are related to cardiac disease. In Michigan alone, this disease costs an estimated \$6.4 billion a year.

Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in the United States and in Michigan. An estimated 69,080,000 Americans have heart disease. Every thirty-two seconds cardiovascular disease claims another life.

Botsford General Hospital wants to change these statistics through prevention and self-management. Our Cardiac Risk Assessment and Reduction Program is one of the most comprehensive programs of its kind in the nation.

In addition, Botsford is forming alliances to provide high quality, cost effective, cardiovascular surgery in the community we serve.

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