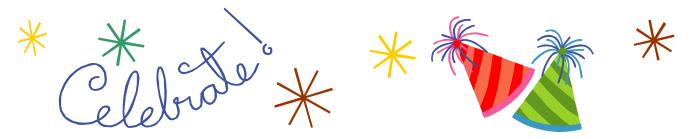


### July 2009

## **Special Edition: National Health Center Week**



Please join us in celebrating the many years that Community Health Centers (CHCs) have served their communities. This year, three CHCs are celebrating important anniversaries:

- Uncompangre Medical Center celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> year
- Pueblo Community Health Center, Inc., celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> year
- Metro Community Provider Network celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> year



**Two Colorado Physicians Honored for Their Volunteer Services** 

Two Colorado physicians will be honored during National Health Center Week with CCHN's 2009 Volunteer Clinician Awards. They are William Deverell, MD, orthopedic surgeon in Colorado Springs; and Thomas Billroth Gottlieb, MD, president of Denver Oncology Consortium (DOC) in Arvada.

The award honors volunteer clinicians who are dedicated to serving the needs of the medically underserved of Colorado. Candidates are nominated by Community Health Centers (CHCs), and may be physicians, physician's assistants, nurse practitioners, certified midwives, dentists, dental hygienists, or mental health providers. To be eligible, nominees must provide direct patient services at or on behalf of a CHC, lead advocacy activities on behalf of the medically underserved, and must have provided volunteer services to a CHC for a minimum of three years.

Dr. Deverell, a long-time volunteer physician for Peak Vista Community Health Centers in El Paso County, is known for his advocacy skills on behalf of Peak Vista's patients. He has persuaded other surgeons to provide costly knee, shoulder, hip and other joint replacements to Peak Vista patients at no cost. Because of his efforts, Peak Vista patients have received hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of medical procedures. His advocacy activities on behalf of the medically underserved continue, as he was recently inducted into the Garden of the Gods Rotary, which supports nonprofit health care initiatives on the west side of Colorado Springs. Dr. Deverell has supported Peak Vista for several years by generously giving his time, supporting Peak Vista's Foundation financially, helping patients get surgical procedures they could not otherwise afford, and expanding care for those in need by soliciting help from his physician peers.

Dr. Gottlieb and the DOC have led coordinated efforts in the Denver metropolitan area and within Metro Community Provider Network (MCPN) to provide better cancer diagnosis and treatment to those in need. Dr. Gottlieb is a retired physician, who specializes in internal medicine and who has provided countless hours of volunteer services to MCPN. He supported MCPN's work around cancer care by helping MCPN secure a grant from the State of Colorado to provide cancer genetic risk assessments for MCPN patients. This has resulted in patients (who are deemed at high risk for genetically predisposed cancers) being successfully screened, and where medically indicated, tested for genetic predisposition for colorectal, breast, and ovarian cancers.

In addition, Dr. Gottlieb has been instrumental in the development, management and executive oversight of the DOC, a non-profit, volunteer, multi-disciplinary, clinical peer review organization. Through the collaborative work of its expert members, Dr. Gottlieb and the DOC have organized the expert review of cancer diagnosis and treatment of more than 100 cancer cases at MCPN. Dr. Gottlieb has provided direct patient services to MCPN patients and training in evidence-based cancer care to MCPN's primary care physicians.

CCHN congratulates Dr. Deverell and Dr. Gottlieb for their dedication and service for the good health of Coloradans.



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### Monday, August 3, 2009 Golf Classic: Healthcare the Fairway



*Metro Community Provider Network (MCPN), event at The Lakewood Country Club,* 6800 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Ave., Lakewood

Fox Sports News-Rocky Mountain is hosting its fifth annual Golf Classic, benefiting MCPN, at the Lakewood Country Club. Please visit <u>www.mcpn.org</u> or contact John A. Reid at (303) 761-1977, ext. 1124, (720) 338-1148, or <u>jreid@mcpn.org</u> for more information.

## Thursday, August 6, 2009, 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. *Breakfast Briefing*

Peak Vista Community Health Centers, 340 Printers Parkway, Colorado Springs Peak Vista invites the public to a breakfast briefing to learn about Peak Vista's initiatives, expansion, and how the largest provider of primary health care in El Paso County is involved in health care reform. Join Peak Vista and <u>El Pomar's Emerging Leaders</u> interested in health care as Peak Vista kicks off its celebration of National Health Center Week. Cost: Free. Contact: Lynn Pelz, 719-228-6606, <u>Ipelz@peakvista.org</u>.

#### Friday, August 7, 2009, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

#### Health Fair

#### Salud Family Health Centers, 1115 Second St., Ft. Lupton

Salud invites the community to participate in its Ft. Lupton health fair featuring health and dental screenings, low cost immunizations, health and safety information, food and entertainment, face painting, an obstacle course, and arts and crafts.

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#### Friday, August 7, 2009, noon – 4:00 p.m. Annual Block Party

Salud Family Health Centers, 1635 Blue Spruce Drive, Ft. Collins

Salud is hosting its third annual block party at its Ft. Collins location with health and dental screenings; low cost immunizations; health and safety information; donations of car seats, booster seats, children's bikes, and gently used books; with food, entertainment, and face painting.

#### Saturday, August 8, 2009, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Back to School Health Fair

Colorado Coalition for the Homeless Stout Street Clinic, 2100 Broadway, Denver Colorado Coalition for the Homeless is hosting a back-to-school health fair to help ensure that dozens of children living in motels, shelters or in transitional housing in the Denver metro area receive basic screenings and immunizations they might otherwise miss. The health fair will offer hearing, vision and dental screenings; health education; and immunizations. To make the day more fun, there will be balloons, face painters, music and lunch. The first 200 children will each receive a backpack filled with school supplies. Families are encouraged to bring their children's immunization records. For questions, call (303) 285-5272.



Health fair organizers are still looking for volunteers to help with transportation, check-in and other logistics that day. Contact Volunteer Coordinator Micki Warnberg at 303-285-5265 for more information.



### Saturday, August 8, 2009

Sterling Parade

Employees of Salud Family Health Centers will participate in the Sterling parade.

#### August 10-14 Celebrating the Week

#### Salud Family Health Centers, 1950 Redtail Hawk Road, Estes Park

Patients of Salud-Estes Park can make use of a new refrigerator magnet with information about community resources, participate in "fast track" diabetes screening, and get reduced-price back-to-school physicals. Watch for the National Health Center Week banner at the main intersection of U.S. Highways 34 and 36.

#### Monday, August 10, 2009, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. *Health Fair*

## Salud Family Health Centers, 1860 E. Egbert St., Brighton

Salud invites the community to participate in its Brighton health fair featuring free health screenings, well-child information, community information, food, music, face painting, games and raffles.

#### Tuesday, August 11, 2009, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Community Annual Meeting

Pueblo Community Health Center, Inc. (PCHC), event at Royals Room, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Pueblo City-County Library, 300 Abriendo Avenue, Pueblo

PCHC will celebrate its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with an annual community-wide meeting thanking supporters of PCHC, providing an update on PCHC's progress and celebrating National Community Health Center Week. Please visit <u>www.PuebloCHC.org</u> or contact Janet Fieldman at <u>JFieldman@PuebloCHC.org</u> or 719-543-8718, ext. 152, for more information.



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#### Tuesday, August 11, 2009, 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. *Health Fair*

Salud Family Health Centers, 6075 E. Parkway Dr., Suite 160, Commerce City Salud-Commerce City is co-hosting a Head Start physical fair with Adams County. Immunizations, school physicals, dental screenings, preventive services, and well-child visits will be provided.

# Wednesday, August 12, 2009, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. *Caring for Kids*



Northwest Colorado Community Health Center (NCCHC), 745 Russell Street, Craig NCCHC is hosting a Caring for Kids event that includes drop-in appointments with a visiting pediatrician for school physicals, sports physicals, and well-child checks. CHP+/Medicaid and CHC eligibility/enrollment, immunizations, WIC enrollment, vision screenings, dental screenings and mental health screenings will also be available at no charge. Families are invited to take advantage of these free drop-in services. Other fun activities include face painting, games, an art corner, refreshments, and giveaways. For more information, please contact Suzi Mariano at (970) 879-1632 or smariano@nwcovna.org.

## Friday, August 14, 2009, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. *30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration*

Uncompany Medical Center (UMC), 1350 Aspen Street, Norwood UMC is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a live band, give-aways, catered goodies and short speeches.

#### Friday August 14, 2009, 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. *Health Fair*

#### Salud Family Health Centers, 5995 Iris Parkway, Frederick

Salud invites the community to participate in its Frederick health fair featuring diabetes and blood pressure screenings; skin care and skin cancer screenings; dental screenings; car seat safe installation checks; information about immunizations, mental health, prenatal health, women's care, diabetes and nutrition; and family fun, raffles, and food.

#### Friday, August 14, 2009, 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Community Celebration (breakfast included)

*MCPN, South Aurora Family Health Services, 15132 E. Hampden Avenue, suite G, Aurora, CO 80014* MCPN invites the community to celebrate National Health Center Week with MCPN staff and U.S. Representative Mike Coffman. MCPN will be honoring the work of MCPN's staff who serve patients throughout the year. Rep. Coffman will join MCPN in presenting the CCHN 2009 Volunteer Clinician Award to Thomas Billroth Gottlieb, M.D. To RSVP for this celebration and appreciation breakfast please contact Liz Martin at (303) 360-MCPN (6276), ext. 1100 or e-mail at <u>Imartin@mcpn.org</u>.

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