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Special Edition: National Health Center Week



August 10-16 is National Health Center Week, dedicated to recognizing the service and contributions of community, migrant, homeless, and school-based health centers. This year's week is celebrating the health care heroes at America's Health Centers. Community Health Centers provide a health care home for one in ten Coloradans. Please join the celebration at a Health Center in your community.



UPCOMING EVENTS

August 7, 2008, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Open House Celebrating Salud Health Care Heroes

Salud Family Health Centers – Fort Morgan, 909 E. Railroad Ave., Fort Morgan

The open house is in honor of Salud's health care heroes. For more information, please contact Jennifer Morse at (720) 322-9402 or jmorse@saludclinic.org

August 8, 2008, noon – 4:00 p.m.

Block Party

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

The block party will include low-cost vaccinations, free dental and health screenings, health and community information, food, entertainment and lots of fun. For more information, please contact Jennifer Morse at (720) 322-9402 or jmorse@saludclinic.org

August 11, 2008, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Open House

Salud Family Health Centers – Brighton, 1860 Egbert Street, Brighton

Brighton Mayor Jan Pawlowski will read a proclamation made in honor of National Health Center Week. The ribbon cutting will be held at 4:30, followed by refreshments and tours. For more information, please contact Jennifer Morse at (720) 322-9402 or jmorse@saludclinic.org

August 12, 2008, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Reach Out and Read Event

Peak Vista Community Health Centers - Pediatric Health Center, 2502 E. Pikes Peak Ave., 4th Floor, Colorado Springs

Peak Vista CHC is the first organization in Colorado Springs to implement Reach Out and Read, a national program that promotes early literacy, especially reaching out to low-income households. Volunteers read to children in health centers and health care providers discuss with parents the importance of reading to children. Each child six months to five years old receives a book after his or her visit to Peak Vista. For more information, please contact Jennifer Adamson (719) 329-7191 or jadamson@peakvista.org.



August 12, 2008, 8:00 a.m. – noon

Health Awareness Event

Sunrise Community Health, Inc. – Monfort Family Clinic, 2930 11th Avenue, Evans

Sunrise staff will host diabetes and cardiovascular education booths, joined by 40 different health-related services and programs from the community. There will be refreshments. For more information, please contact Shannon Rea at (970) 395-1145 or srea.sunrise@nocoha.org.

August 12, 2008, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

30th Anniversary Open House

Mountain Family Health Centers – Black Hawk, 562 Gregory Street, Black Hawk

Mountain Family welcomes the community to celebrate its 30th anniversary. A ceremony of recognition and appreciation will be held during the open house. For more information, please contact Claudia Schaffler at (303) 582-5276 or claudia@mountainfamily.org.

August 13, 2008, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Ice Cream Social

Mountain Family Health Centers – Glenwood Springs, 1905 Blake St., Suite 101, Glenwood Springs

This is Patient Appreciation Day at Mountain Family. Patient information and cardiovascular screenings will be available for patients during the day. The ice cream social rounds out the afternoon.

August 13, 2008, 3:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Open House

Uncompahgre Medical Center, 1350 S. Aspen, Norwood

This celebration includes displaying a new mural in the “kiddy corral” and new lab equipment, refreshments, give-aways, speakers, and a band in the parking lot surrounded by grounds newly landscaped by a local citizen. For more information, please contact Kathy Reed or Steve Siegel at (970) 327-4233 or Kathy@umclinic.org.



August 14, 2008, 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Open House and Ribbon Cutting

MCPN North Aurora Family Health Services, 3292 Peoria Street, Aurora

The ribbon will be cut on the new North Aurora Family Health Services campus of Metro Community Provider Network (MCPN). Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP with John Reid at (303) 761-1977, ext. 124 or jreid@mcpn.org.

August 19, 2008, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

“It Takes a Community to Provide Care for All”

Hotel Boulderado, 2115 13th Street, Boulder

Clinica Family Health Services, Inc. – People’s Clinic will be honoring partners in caring such as hospitals, medical clinics, non-profit partners, contributors, and elected officials. Please contact Zola Sheehan at zsheehan@clinica.org to register for this event, and Connie Holden at cholden@clinica.org for further information.

**Colorado Community Health Centers
By the Numbers**

Colorado’s CHCs provide a health care home to more than 500,000 of their community members - one in 10 people in Colorado. CHCs provided more than 1.6 million visits, including medical, dental and mental health, in 2007.

14 Community Health Centers operate 119 clinic sites in 33 Colorado counties and care for patients living in 53 counties.

Colorado Community Health Centers care for one-third of all low-income uninsured in Colorado, one-third of all Medicaid enrollees, and one-third of all CHP+ enrollees.

More than 168,000 Colorado children received primary health care from CHCs in 2007.

12 CHCs operate 31 dental clinic sites in 19 Colorado counties and provided 170,000 visits to more than 71,000 patients in 2007.

Communities with Community Health Centers have healthier newborns, fewer hospitalizations, and fewer visits to the emergency room.

Adding up all their years of services, Colorado Community Health Centers have been caring for Coloradans for more than 400 years.

CCHN STAFF UPDATE

CCHN is seeking a Health Center Data and Operations Manager. Please visit http://www.cchn.org/about_us/jobs.asp for a complete description.

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