

March 31, 2014



Mobile health services offered at 14 sites in the county during April

New location – Janie’s Garden Apartments
Special Event – Veterans ‘Stand Down’

SARASOTA COUNTY — The Florida Department of Health in Sarasota County’s (DOH-Sarasota) Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit staff will provide free and low-cost health services at 14 sites around the county during April. This includes a new regularly scheduled site - Janie’s Garden Apartments, a Sarasota Housing Authority property located at 2446 Central Ave. in Sarasota. Once-a-month visits will begin on Tuesday, April 22, noon-4 p.m.

The mobile medical unit staff will also be present at the Veterans ‘Stand Down’ Event on Saturday, April 26, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the William L. Little Health and Human Services Center, 2200 Ringling Blvd. in Sarasota.



The services offered include diabetes education and screening, blood pressure tests, pregnancy testing, HIV testing, body mass index (BMI) measurement, adult immunizations and health education; however, not all services, including immunizations, are offered at all sites.

The staff also assists individuals who lack medical insurance and do not have a health care provider to find a medical home for ongoing health care.

No appointment is needed. Some services are free, including HIV rapid testing with results in 20 minutes. Other services are provided on a sliding-fee scale based on income. A registered nurse is available at all sites.

While these services are most often provided in a 40-foot-long bus, there are times when services are provided inside the facilities visited.

The following is a schedule of dates and locations for the mobile unit:

SARASOTA

Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17 and 24; 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
Salvation Army
1400 10th St.

Tuesday, April 8, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Career Source Suncoast (formerly known as Suncoast Workforce-Sarasota)
3660 N. Washington Blvd.

Friday, April 11, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Goodwill Manasota Sarasota North Trail Center – Community Room
5150 N. Tamiami Trail

Monday, April 14, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
Walmart Neighborhood Market
3500 N. Tamiami Trail

Tuesday, April 22, noon-4 p.m.
Sarasota Housing Authority Property
Janie’s Garden
2446 Central Ave.

Saturday, April 26, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.
Special Event: Veterans ‘Stand Down’ event
William L. Little Health & Human Services Center
2200 Ringling Blvd.

LAUREL

Wednesday, April 16, 2-5 p.m.
U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program
Sandra Sims Terry Community Center
509 Collins Road

VENICE

Wednesday, April 2, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program
Venice Community Center
326 Nokomis Ave. S.

Wednesday, April 9, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
Salvation Army Family Store
1160 U.S. 41 Bypass South

Wednesday, April 16, 9:30 a.m.-noon
Habitat for Humanity Re-Store
1400 Ogden Road

NORTH PORT

Friday, April 4, 9 a.m.-noon

U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program

St. Nathaniel's Episcopal Church

4200 S. Biscayne Drive

Monday, April 7, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Walmart Supercenter

17000 Tamiami Trail

Friday, April 18, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Goodwill Manasota Center North Port

U.S. 41 and Sumter Blvd.

Monday, April 28, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Publix Super Market

Heron Creek Towne Center

1291 S. Sumter Blvd.

ENGLEWOOD

Tuesday, April 15, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Elsie Quirk Library

100 W. Dearborn St.

For more information, call 941-861-5000 or visit www.sarasotahealth.org.

Sarasota County prohibits discrimination in all services, programs or activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, marital status, familial status, religion, or genetic information. Persons with disabilities who require assistance or alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.), or who wish to file a complaint, should contact Sarasota County ADA/ Civil Rights Coordinator, 1660 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota, FL 34236. Phone: 941-861-5000, TTY 7-1-1 or 1-800-955-8771; email: adacoordinator@scgov.net.

MEDIA NOTES:

DOH-Sarasota Media Contact:

Dianne Shipley, 941-861-2852; cell 941-302-1058; Dianne.Shipley@flhealth.gov

Website: www.sarasotahealth.org