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Mobile health services offered at 16 county sites in October

The Sarasota County Health Department's Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit staff will provide free and low-cost health services at 16 sites around the county during October. In addition, the Health In Motion staff will be present at the First Hispanic Church of Sarasota on Saturday, Oct. 15, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. to provide HIV rapid testing as part of the National Latino AIDS Awareness Day observance.

The services offered at the 16 regularly established sites include diabetes education and screening, blood pressure tests, pregnancy testing, HIV and tuberculosis testing, adult immunizations and health education. 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.

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

SARASOTA

Special Event – National Latino AIDS Awareness Day

Saturday, Oct. 15, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. First Hispanic Church of Sarasota 4445 S. Lockwood Ridge Road (Lockwood Ridge and Wilkinson Roads)

Mondays, Oct. 17 and 31, 9:30 a.m.-noon Selby Goodwill Jobs Center 1781 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way

Mondays, Oct. 17 and 31, 1-3 p.m. Newtown Estates Park 2800 Newtown Blvd.

Thursday, Oct. 6, 9:30 a.m.-noon Thursdays, Oct. 13, 20 and 27, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Salvation Army 1400 10th St.

Monday, Oct. 10, 9:30 a.m.-noon Sarasota Housing Authority 1912 N. Orange Ave.

Mondays, Oct. 10 and 24, 1-3 p.m. Arizona Multi-Services Center 3900 N. Washington Blvd.

Monday, Oct. 24, 9:30 a.m.-noon McCown Tower 1300 Blvd. of the Arts

NOKOMIS

Wednesday, Oct. 19, 9:30 a.m.-noon The Community Pharmacy 225 Tamiami Trail S.

LAUREL

Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2-5 p.m. U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program Sandra Sims Terry Community Center 509 Collins Road

VENICE

Wednesday, Oct. 5, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program Venice Community Center 326 Nokomis Ave. S.

Wednesdays, Oct. 12 and 26, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. The Salvation Army Family Store 1160 U.S. 41 Bypass south

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 9:30 a.m.-noon Goodwill Center – The Rialto 650 S. Tamiami Trail

Tuesday, Oct. 25, 1-3 p.m. Habitat for Humanity ReStore 1400 Ogden Road

ENGLEWOOD

Tuesdays, Oct. 4 and 18, 9:30 a.m.-noon Englewood Goodwill Center 410 Indiana Ave.

Tuesdays, Oct. 4 and 18, 1-3 p.m. Englewood Helping Hands 700 E. Dearborn St.

NORTH PORT

Friday, Oct. 7, 9:30 a.m.-noon U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program St. Nathaniel's Episcopal Church 4200 S. Biscayne Drive

Wednesday, Oct. 12, 1-3 p.m. Grande Court Apartments at North Port 5203 Greenwood Ave.

For more information, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000, or visit <u>www.sarasotahealth.org</u> to view the calendar or to submit a special event request. Anyone without computer access can visit a health kiosk at any of the eight Sarasota County libraries or at any Senior Friendship Center.

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