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Mobile health services offered at 13 county sites in December

New location added: Publix Super Market in Heron Creek Towne Center in North Port

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 13 sites around the county during December. The Publix Super Market in Heron Creek Town Center, 1291 S. Sumter Boulevard in North Port has been added to the regular schedule. The first visit to that location will take place on Monday, Dec. 30 from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

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.

Services will be reinstated at the Goodwill sites in Sarasota, and North Port; however, the mobile unit will not be present at these locations. Those seeking these health screening services should visit the Community Room at each of these sites.

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

SARASOTA

Thursdays, Dec. 5, 12 and 19; 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
Salvation Army
1400 10th St.

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

Tuesday, Dec. 10, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Suncoast Workforce-Sarasota
3660 N. Washington Blvd.

Friday, Dec. 13, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Goodwill Manasota
North Trail Center
5150 N. Tamiami Trail

LAUREL

Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2-5 p.m.
U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program
Sandra Sims Terry Community Center
509 Collins Road

VENICE

Wednesday, Dec. 4, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
The Salvation Army Family Store
1160 U.S. 41 Bypass South

Wednesday, Dec. 11, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program
Venice Community Center
326 Nokomis Ave. S.

Wednesday, Dec. 18, 9:30 a.m.-noon
Habitat for Humanity Re-Store
1400 Ogden Road

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NORTH PORT

Monday, Dec. 2, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (New Regular Location)
Walmart Supercenter
17000 Tamiami Trail

Friday, Dec. 6, 9 a.m.-noon
U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program
St. Nathaniel's Episcopal Church
4200 S. Biscayne Drive

Friday, Dec. 20, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Goodwill Manasota Center
U.S. 41 and Sumter Blvd.

Monday, Dec. 30, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Publix Super Market (New Location)
Heron Creek Towne Center
1291 S. Sumter Blvd.

ENGLEWOOD

Tuesday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Elsie Quirk Library
100 W. Dearborn St.

The mobile medical unit will **not** be at the following locations during December: University Club Apartments.

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