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MEETINGS AND AGENDAS

E-NEWSLETTER

EVENT CALENDAR

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MEDIA NOTE: The Florida Department of Health in Sarasota County is transitioning to electronic medical records in all its clinics. This requires involvement from all nurses and other staff members, necessitating a temporary suspension of Health In Motion Mobile Unit services from the latter part of April through most of May. We will continue to keep the public informed of changes to the schedule.

Mobile health services offered at six county sites and one special community event in April

The Sarasota County Health Department's Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit staff will provide free and low-cost health services at six sites around the county during April. Health In Motion staff members also will be present at a special community event. The Veterans Stand Down Event will take place on Saturday, April 20, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at Sarasota County Health and Human Services, 2200 Ringling Blvd., Sarasota.

The services offered at the established sites include diabetes education and screening, blood pressure tests, pregnancy testing. HIV testing, body mass index (BMI) measurement, 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.

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

*Some services including adult immunizations are not offered at all locations.

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

SARASOTA

Thursdays, April 4, 11 and 18, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Salvation Army 1400 10th St.

Special Event – Veterans Stand Down Event Saturday, April 20, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Sarasota County Health and Human Services 2200 Ringing Blvd.

VENICE

Monday, April 1, 9:30 a.m.-noon Goodwill Center - The Rialto 650 S. Tamiami Trail

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

Wednesday, April 10, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program Venice Community Center 326 Nokomis Ave. S.

NORTH PORT

Friday, April 5, 9 a.m.-noon U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program St. Nathaniel's Episcopal Church 4200 S. Biscayne Drive

Monday, April 8, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Goodwill Manasota Center of North Port 14809 Tamiami Trail

Health In Motion staff will not be at the following locations during April due to staff training associated with the Health Department's transition to electronic medical records in their clinics: Newtown Estates Park, Selby Goodwill Jobs Center, Sarasota Housing Authority Property on Orange Avenue, the Sandra Sims Terry Community Center, and Habitat for Humanity Re-Store.

For more information, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000 (TTY: 711 or 1-800-955-8771), or visit <u>www.sarasotahealth.org</u> to view the calendar. Anyone without computer access can visit a health kiosk at any Sarasota County public library or Senior Friendship Center.

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