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Dec. 20, 2012

MEDIA NOTE: The mobile medical unit staff will no longer offer services at McCown Tower in Sarasota due to the availability of other medical services at that location. Additional site changes will be announced in late January for 2013.

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Mobile health services offered at 11 county sites in January

The Sarasota County Health Department's Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit staff will provide free and low-cost health services at 11 sites around the county during January.

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

McCown Tower – Services discontinued 1300 Blvd. of the Arts

Thursdays, Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Salvation Army 1400 10th St.

Wednesday, Jan. 23, 9:30 a.m.-noon Selby Goodwill Jobs Center 1781 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way

Monday, Jan. 28, 1-3 p.m. Newtown Estates Park 2800 Newtown Blvd. Monday, Jan. 28, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Sarasota Housing Authority Property 1912 N. Orange Ave.

LAUREL

Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2--5 p.m. Sandra Sims Terry Community Center Health Fair and Farmers Market 509 Collins Road

VENICE

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

Wednesdays, Jan. 16 and 30, 9:30 a.m.-noon Goodwill Center - The Rialto 650 S. Tamiami Trail

Wednesday, Jan. 30, 1-3 p.m. Habitat for Humanity ReStore 1400 Ogden Road

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

NORTH PORT

Monday, Jan. 7, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Goodwill Manasota Center of North Port 14809 Tamiami Trail

Friday, Jan. 4, 9 a.m.-noon U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program St. Nathaniel's Episcopal Church 4200 S. Biscayne Drive

For more information, contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000, or visit www.sarasotahealth.org to view the calendar. Anyone without computer access can visit a health kiosk at any Sarasota County public library or Senior Friendship Center.







