

October 1, 2014



Mobile health services offered at 13 sites and one community event in the county in October

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 and one community event around the county during October.

The services offered through the mobile unit include diabetes education and screening, blood pressure tests, pregnancy testing, HIV testing, body mass index (BMI) measurement, and health education.

A number of adult immunizations are also available through the mobile unit, including the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine, tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (Tdap) vaccine, and Hepatitis A & B vaccines. Many of these vaccines are available at no cost to adults who qualify.

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 and tobacco cessation referrals to any of the three no-cost options offered by Tobacco Free Florida's 3 Ways to Quit. 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.

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

SARASOTA

Thursdays, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 23; 9:30-3 p.m.
Salvation Army
1400 10th St.

Saturday, Oct. 10, 1-6:00 p.m.
Health Fair
Gillespie Park, Sarasota

Monday, Oct. 13, 9:30-3 p.m.
Walmart Neighborhood Market
3500 N. Tamiami Trail

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 9-2 p.m.
Career Source Suncoast
3660 N. Washington Blvd.

Monday, Oct. 20, Noon-5 p.m.
Harvest House Transitional Center
2226/2228 22nd Street

Tuesday, Oct 21, Noon-4 p.m.
Janie's Garden Apartments
2350 Central Avenue

LAUREL

Wednesday, Oct. 15, 1:30-5 p.m.
U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program
Sandra Sims Terry Community Center
509 Collins Road

VENICE

Wednesday, Oct. 1, 9:30-3 p.m.
Salvation Army Family Store
1160 U.S. 41 Bypass South

Wednesday, Oct. 8, 9-12 p.m.
Nokomis Park Community Center
234 East Nippino Trail

Wednesday, Oct. 15, 9:30-12 p.m.
Habitat for Humanity Re-Store
1400 Ogden Road

Tuesday, Oct. 28, 9-2 p.m.
State College of Florida, Venice Campus
(Not Open to the Public)
8000 S Tamiami Tr.

NORTH PORT

Monday, Oct. 6, 9:30-3 p.m.
Walmart Supercenter
17000 Tamiami Trail

Friday, Oct. 24, 9:30-2:30 p.m.
Goodwill Manasota Center North Port
U.S. 41 and Sumter Blvd.

ENGLEWOOD

Tuesday, Oct. 7, 10-3 p.m.
Elsie Quirk Library
100 W. Dearborn St.

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

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