

## Health and Human Services MEDIA RELEASE



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### Mobile health screening services during June

SARASOTA, FL — The Florida Department of Health in Sarasota County's (DOH-Sarasota) Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) staff will provide free and low-cost public health services during June.

The Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit staff provides health screenings, some adult vaccines, tobacco

cessation support and health education for general health and wellness. Individuals who need follow-up medical care are referred to a primary health care provider.

Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit services include:

- Diabetes education and screening
- Blood pressure tests
- No cost HIV & Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) testing
- Body mass index (BMI) measurement
- Tobacco cessation referrals to any of the three no-cost options offered by Tobacco Free Florida's '3 Ways to Quit'
- Health education
- Limited adult immunizations including flu shots



Image of Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit

No appointment is needed and a registered nurse is available at all sites. Testing is fast and easy. HIV rapid testing results are available in 20 minutes. STD testing results are sent to the individual using a special coded text message.

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. There is a fee associated with some services; however, several tests and vaccines are available at no-cost to adults who qualify.













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Please note these services will be provided inside the buildings of locations visited.

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

#### **SARASOTA**

Sunday, June 12, 2-6 p.m. Stop the Violence Community Cookout (Special Event) Payne Park 2050 Adams Lane

Saturday, June 18, 10:30 a.m.-noon (Special Event) Veterans Appreciation Fair Sarasota Military Academy 801 N. Orange Ave.

Monday, June 20, 9:30-2:30 p.m. Goodwill Manasota Mecca 5150 N. Tamiami Trail

#### **LAUREL**

Wednesday, June 15, 1-4 p.m. U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program Sandra Sims Terry Community Center 509 Collins Road

#### **NOKOMIS**

Wednesday, June 8, 9-11 a.m. Nokomis Park Community Center 234 E. Nippino Trail

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#### **VENICE**

Tuesday, June 7 and 21, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Salvation Army Family Store 1160 U.S. 41 Bypass South

Wednesday, June 15, 9:30 a.m.-noon Habitat for Humanity Re-Store 1400 Ogden Road

#### **NORTH PORT**

Friday, June 3, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Goodwill Manasota Center in North Port 14809 Tamiami Trail (U.S. 41 and Sumter Boulevard)

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

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