



Health and Human Services **MEDIA RELEASE**



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UPDATE – Please note new time for Laurel event

Mobile health services offered at 10 sites and three special events during February

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 10 sites around the county during February. The mobile medical unit will also be present at the 4th Annual Fun and Fitness Expo on Wednesday, Feb. 11 from 1-5 p.m. at New College of Florida, 5800 Bay Shore Road in Sarasota, and at the Holiday Park, and Harbor Isles Health Fair events in North Port on Friday, Feb. 6 and Friday, Feb. 13, respectively.

Services include:

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



Image of the Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit

No appointment is needed. A registered nurse is available at all sites. Testing is fast and easy. There is a fee associated with some services. HIV rapid testing results are available in 20 minutes. STD testing results are sent to you using a special coded text message. A number of adult immunizations including flu shots, the pneumonia vaccine, the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine, tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (Tdap) vaccine, and Hepatitis A & B vaccines are offered. Many of these vaccines are available at no-cost to adults who qualify. Credit/debit card payment via VISA, MASTERCARD, & DISCOVER is accepted.

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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.

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

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

SARASOTA

Thursdays, Feb. 5, 12, 19 and 26; 9:30-3 p.m.
Salvation Army
1400 10th St.

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

Tuesday, Feb. 10, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Career Source Suncoast
3660 N. Washington Blvd.

Wednesday, Feb. 11, 1-5 p.m.
4th Annual Fun & Fitness Expo (**Special Event**)
New College of Florida
5800 Bay Shore Road

LAUREL

Wednesday, Feb. 18, ~~1-4 p.m.~~ **1:30-5 p.m. (UPDATE)**
U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) food distribution program
Sandra Sims Terry Community Center
509 Collins Road

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NOKOMIS

Wednesday, Feb. 25, 9 a.m.-noon
Nokomis Park Community Center
234 E. Nippino Trail

VENICE

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

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

NORTH PORT

Friday, Feb. 6, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Holiday Park Health Fair **(Special Event)**
Holiday Park Park District & Recreation
6920 Awawa Court

Friday, Feb. 13, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Harbor Isles Health Fair **(Special Event)**
Harbor Isles Community Association
1 Palm Harbor Drive

Monday, Feb. 23, 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Publix Super Market at Heron Creek Towne Center
1291 S. Sumter Blvd.

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Friday, Feb. 27, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Goodwill Manasota Center in North Port
14809 Tamiami Trail
(U.S. 41 and Sumter Boulevard)

ENGLEWOOD

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

The mobile medical unit will not be visiting the following locations due to staff limitations and participation in special events during February: Janie's Garden Apartments, Goodwill Manasota Center North Trail, and Harvest House Transitional Center in Sarasota, and the Walmart Supercenter in North Port

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

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