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MEDIA NOTE: The August calendar of events is provided at the end of this news release.

Health In Motion visits 13 community sites during August

The Sarasota County Health Department's 40 foot mobile medical unit, Health In Motion's will visit 13 locations throughout north Sarasota, Laurel, Venice, Englewood and North Port during August.

The Health In Motion staff will also be present at the Back to School Resource Fair at Heron Creek Middle School, 6501 W. Price Boulevard in North Port on Saturday, August 9 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Health In Motion staff provide basic health services to residents with Medicaid, without health insurance or who do not have transportation. No appointment is needed. The services offered include blood pressure, and diabetes screening, HIV testing, pregnancy testing, tuberculosis skin testing, adult immunizations, health education, and eligibility screening as part of assisting people in locating a permanent health care provider. Senior Friendship Center volunteer physicians assist the health department in providing basic medical care on a rotating basis when the mobile unit visits the Salvation Army each Thursday. A registered nurse is available at all other Health In Motion locations.

Some services will be free; other services will be offered on a sliding fee scale based on income. Community AIDS Network (CAN) also provides specialized services.

Health In Motion is supported in part by a two-year grant from the Gulf Coast Community Foundation of Venice which funds the staffing and medical equipment needs.

Those who would like a schedule of dates, routes and services can call the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000. To submit a request for Health In Motion to be part of a major community event or to download a copy of the monthly calendar, visit the Sarasota County Health and Human Services website, www.sarasotahealth.org.

August Schedule of Events (Health In Motion)

North Sarasota

Monday, Aug. 4 and 18; 9:30 a.m. to noon

Selby Goodwill Jobs Center

1781 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way, Sarasota 34234

Monday, Aug. 4 and 18; 1 to 3 p.m.

Newtown Estates Park

2800 Newtown Blvd., Sarasota 34234

Thursday, Aug. 7 and 28; 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 14 and 21; 9:30 a.m. to noon

Salvation Army

1400 Tenth St., Sarasota 34236

Monday, Aug. 11 and 25; 9:30 a.m. to Noon

Orange Ave. Housing Authority Property

1912 N. Orange Ave., Sarasota 34234

Monday, Aug. 11 and 25; 1 to 3 p.m.

La Canasta Market

2268 Fruitville Road, Sarasota 34237

Laurel

Wednesday, Aug. 20; 3 to 5 p.m.

USDA Food Distribution Program

Sandra Sims Terry Community Center

509 Collins Road, Laurel 34272

Venice

Tuesday, Aug. 12 and 26; 9:30 a.m. to Noon

Goodwill Center – The Rialto

650 S. Tamiami Trail, Venice 34285

Tuesday, Aug. 12; 1 to 3 p.m.

Grove Terrace

201 Grove St. N., Venice 34285

Englewood

Tuesday, Aug. 5 and 19; 9:30 a.m. to Noon

Goodwill Center

410 Indiana Ave, Sarasota 34223

North Port

Friday, Aug. 1; 9 a.m. to noon

USDA Food Distribution

St Nathaniel's Episcopal Church

4200 S. Biscayne Drive, North Port 34287

Wednesday, Aug. 6 and 20; 9:30 a.m. to Noon

Wednesday, Aug. 13; 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Wal-Mart Super Center

17000 Tamiami Trail, North Port 34287

Wednesday, Aug. 6; 1 to 3 p.m.

Riley Chase Apts.

1015 Panacea Blvd., North Port 34289

Saturday, Aug. 9; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Back to School Resource Fair

Heron Creek Middle School

6501 W. Price Blvd., North Port 34286