



NEWS ADVISORY
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Colorado Community Health Care Celebrated National Health Center Week Schedule of Events

DENVER— Aug. 10-16, 2014, is National Health Center Week (NHCW), dedicated to recognizing the service and contributions of community, migrant, homeless, and school-based Community Health Centers (CHCs). This year's theme, "Celebrating America's Health Centers: Local Engines for Healthier Communities," highlights the multitude of ways in which America's Health Centers are transforming communities through providing high quality medical, dental, and behavioral health care; providing jobs in health care careers; and stimulating the economy. Listed below are NHCW events happening in Colorado.

Saturday, Aug. 9, 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Prowers County Sand & Sage Fair Parade

High Plains staff will be handing out healthy snacks from their float during the parade. Contact Becky Olivas or Laurie Larrick at (719) 336-0261 for additional information.

Saturday, Aug. 9, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Sunrise Booth at Evans Safety & Awareness Fair

Sam's Club Parking Lot, 3247 23rd Avenue, Evans

The Sunrise mobile outreach team will share a booth with Northern Colorado Health Alliance's "[Make Today Count](#)" program at the [Evans Safety & Awareness Fair](#). Nutrition coloring pages (in English and Spanish) will be distributed, along with free granola bars and sunscreen. Information on back to school physical clinics and mosquito awareness will also be available. For more information, contact Lori Hughes at lhughes.sunrise@nocooha.org or (970) 350-4614.

Aug. 11-15

Sunrise Community Health (Sunrise) will be holding voter registration drives at all sites.

For more information, contact Lori Hughes at lhughes.sunrise@nocooha.org or (970) 350-4614.

Monday, Aug. 11-Friday, Aug. 15

Mountain Family Community Appreciation Days

Monday: Edwards Clinic, 320 Beard Creek Road, Edwards, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Tuesday: Glenwood Springs Clinic booth at Safeway, 2001 Grand Avenue, Glenwood Springs, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Basalt Clinic, 234 Cody Lane, Basalt 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Thursday: Rifle Clinic, 195 West 14th Street, Rifle, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Friday: Black Hawk Clinic, 562 Gregory Street, Black Hawk, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Mountain Family Health Centers (Mountain Family) is celebrating their patients, staff and community by hosting events at or near each of their five clinics. At each location, the festivities will include educational booths and information on Medicaid, with staff on hand to help people enroll. Contact Danyelle Carlson at (970) 945-2840 ext. 7257 for more information.

Monday, Aug. 11-Friday, Aug. 15

Valley-Wide Shirts and Baskets

Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc., Arkansas Valley Health Centers in Rocky Ford, La Junta, and Las Animas, will be celebrating the week wearing different colored shirts for different health topics each day, and will be raffling off baskets each day free to patients and filled with donations from community members.

Monday: Yellow shirts – Children’s health, daily drawing and balloons for patients, raffling healthy education baskets with jarred jelly, salsa and crops from local farmers.

Tuesday: Green shirts – Diabetes awareness, daily drawing for patients, raffling “Fun in the Sun” baskets with beach towel, sun screen, beach ball and cooling scarf, and education on sun risks and dehydration.

Wednesday: Pink shirts – Women’s health, daily drawing and face painting for patients, raffling baskets with first aid kits and magnets with contact information for poison control and local fire/ambulance/police.

Thursday: Blue shirts – Men’s health, daily drawing for patients, raffling baskets with back pack with school supplies.

Friday: Red shirts – Everyone’s health, daily drawing and popcorn, raffling “Mascot Fun!” baskets honoring the local high schools: a Meloneer basket for Rocky Ford, Tiger basket for La Junta, and Trojan basket for Las Animas.

Monday, Aug. 11

High Plains 19th Anniversary

High Plains will be celebrating their 19th anniversary by providing healthy snacks at all their clinics. Contact Becky Olivas or Laurie Larrick at (719) 336-0261 for additional information.

Tuesday, Aug. 12, 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.

NHCW BBQ

High Plains Family Health Center, 201 Kendall Drive, Lamar

High Plains will celebrate NHCW with a community BBQ and raffle giveaways. Contact Becky Olivas or Laurie Larrick at (719) 336-0261 for additional information.

Tuesday, Aug. 12, 3:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Kids Care Clinic Open House

Kids Care Clinic, 1400 37th Street, Evans

The open house will celebrate the clinic’s 10 years of service. The event will include dental screenings, and Sunrises’ bookmobile and outreach units. For more information, contact Lori Hughes at lhughes.sunrise@nocoaha.org or (970) 350-4614.

Wednesday, Aug. 13, 1:00 p.m.-3:00p.m.

Bridges to Care Program Graduation Celebration

North Aurora Family Health Services, 3292 Peoria Street, Aurora

This event will celebrate the accomplishments of recent Bridges to Care Program graduates. The program’s goal is to improve access to health care and empower the community to “take charge” of their health. The event will also honor Representative Mike Coffman by presenting him with the National Association of Community Health Center’s Distinguished Community Health Advocate Award. Contact John Reid at (303) 761-1977, ext. 1124, or jreid@mcpcn.org for more information.

Wednesday, Aug. 13, 9:00 p.m.-12:00 p.m.

Monfort Children’s Clinic Patient Appreciation Day

Monfort Children’s Clinic, 100 N. 11th Avenue, Greeley

Sunrise will celebrate their patients with activities including dental screenings and free dental kits, face painting, balloon animals, and exercise and nutrition activities from make TODAY Count! will be on hand to share exercise and nutrition activities. For more information, contact Lori Hughes at lhughes.sunrise@nocoaha.org or (970) 350-4614.

Thursday, Aug. 14, all day

Monfort Family Clinic School Physicals

Monfort Family Clinic, 2930 11th Avenue, Evans

School physicals will be provided, along with the "Make TODAY Count!" booth sharing exercise and nutrition activities. For more information, contact Lori Hughes at lhughes.sunrise@noco.org or (970) 350-4614.

Thursday, Aug. 14, all day

Give Back to the Community Silent Auction

Adult Health Center, 2221 Wellness Way, Lamar

Auction items will be displayed all day at the Adult Health Center, with winners being announced on Aug. 15. All proceeds from the auction will go towards helping High Plains patients pay for medication. Contact Becky Olivas or Laurie Larrick at (719) 336-0261 for additional information.

Friday, Aug. 15, 10:00 a.m.-2:00p.m.

Valley-Wide Health Systems, Inc. parade float

Arkansas Valley Fair, Rocky Ford

Valley-Wide will have a float in the annual [Arkansas Valley Fair](#) parade and will be handing out mini-first-aid kits made up of items contributed by the community.

Friday, Aug. 15, 10:00 a.m.-2:00p.m.

MCPN Community Kids and Family Health Fair

Jeffco Family Health Services Center, 7495 W. 29th Avenue, Wheat Ridge

The community fair will include health and dental screenings, back to school supplies for children in the community, and health education materials and demonstrations. Contact John Reid at (303) 761-1977, ext. 1124, or jreid@mcpn.org for more information.

Friday, Aug. 15, 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

End of Summer Fair

Loveland Community Health Center, 302 3rd Street SE, Suite 150, Loveland

Health fair activities will include blood pressure and glucose testing, face painting, healthy food demonstrations, and raffle giveaways. For more information, contact Lori Hughes at lhughes.sunrise@noco.org or (970) 350-4614.

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