



WILL COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
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COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

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COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER PROVIDES VALUABLE RESOURCES FOR THE MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED

JOLIET – In a climate characterized by rising health care costs and a growing number of Americans living without health insurance, community health centers are working to help bridge the gap.

The Will County Community Health Center has served as the primary medical and dental care facility for the area's uninsured, and under-insured, since 1996. It remains Will County's only Federally Qualified Health Center, and the staff is working hard to spread the word about valuable services available at the 1106 Neal Avenue complex in Joliet.

Increasingly, area residents in need are getting the word. Health Center staff provided services to 21,103 patients during 2008. Area residents made 61,863 patient visits to the facility, and Health Center physicians have delivered more than 2,300 babies since 2007.

All services are delivered by specially trained health professionals, nurses and licensed physicians with 24-hour accountability. Available services include: pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, family practice, sexually transmitted disease intervention, family planning, and general dentistry.

The more than 1,200 community health centers located across America are now the health care homes for more than 18 million people; providing primary and preventative medical and dental services on an income-based sliding fee scale. The Will County Community Health Center is available to serve area residents six days weekly.

National Health Center Week is August 9-15. For more information about National Health Center Week, visit www.nachc.com.

To schedule an appointment at the Will County Community Health Center, telephone 815-727-8670. For dental services, telephone 815-774-7300.



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