



COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

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Sixteenth Street Community Health Center Announces New Clinic Site

As part of UCC Senior Center Grand Opening on September 29, 2011

Sixteenth Street Community Health Center announces the creation of a satellite health center site located within the United Community Center's new Senior Center at Olga Village, located at 730 W. Washington St., Milwaukee 53204. The UCC Senior Center's Grand Opening is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 29th.

The three exam room clinic will be open to patients sometime in October and will be staffed part-time by a fully bi-lingual medical team, led by Margaret Dunn, MD. Dr. Dunn has practiced at Sixteenth Street for the past 11 years, is board certified in family practice and received her certification in gerontology and her medical degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. It is expected that Dr. Dunn's team will be able to see between 200-300 patients during the course of the year and that additional hours and medical services will be added, if needed, in the future.

"I am really excited to get started", said Dr. Dunn. "My hope is that as a physician, I can add to the patient's support system to assist in maintaining their health and independence in a dignified way. Because of our familiar location within the Senior Center, we can better understand the daily concerns of patients and their caregivers. It's a great opportunity to follow closely their chronic conditions: re-check a blood pressure or review a blood sugar pattern or medication effect, and intervene in a collaborative and positive way."

According to Julie Schuller, MD, Executive Vice-President at Sixteenth Street, this partnership not only creates a convenience for patients in terms of location, but offers many opportunities to expand wellness programming and quality care for patients with chronic conditions like diabetes.

"Many of the people who use the Senior Center are already our patients, and having informed, motivated patients is a central element in successful management of diabetes or even medication management – especially with patients who are older. Having a clinic site that is an integral part of the Senior Center dynamic will be a major complement to the care we can provide."

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About Sixteenth Street Community Health Center

Sixteenth Street Community Health Center is accredited by The Joint Commission and has provided family based health care, health education and social services free from linguistic, cultural and economic barriers since 1969. In 2010 more than 30,000 individuals relied on Sixteenth Street for adult and pediatric medical services, behavioral health counseling and treatment, chronic disease management and supportive social services.

About the United Community Center

The United Community Center (UCC) provides programs to Hispanics and near South side residents of all races and ages in education, cultural arts, recreation, community development and health and human services in an effort to help individuals achieve their potential by focusing on cultural heritage as a means of personal development.

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