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Wyoming Celebrates a Bright Spot in America's Health Care System

Community Health Centers hold events in celebration of National Health Center Week

For many, August means school shopping and the wind-down of summer. For the healthcare network dedicated to the underserved in Wyoming, it means it's time to celebrate National Health Center Week.



"This year National Health Center Week takes place August 7-13, and it's the time of year where Community Health Centers get to celebrate their mission with the communities they serve," said Wyoming Primary Care Association (WYPCA) Executive Director Jan Cartwright.

"Wyoming's Community Health Centers provide a health care home for those who have limited access to care, those with access and everyone in-between. Health Centers provide a place to go when you need care whether you have insurance or the funds to cover the cost of care."

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Community Health Centers have been providing affordable, quality care for over 50 years and are located in all 50 states and territories. They save our country's health system \$24 billion every year and generate \$26.5 billion in economic activity. Not only can they treat patients for a fraction of the average cost of one emergency room visit, but they maintain patient satisfaction levels of nearly 100 percent.

Wyoming has nine Community Health Centers that operate in 12 sites. Communities that currently have a Health Center include: Casper, Cheyenne, Dubois, Evanston, Powell, Riverton and Rock Springs. This includes Healthcare for the Homeless clinics in Cheyenne and Casper and a clinic for seasonal and migrant farmworkers in Powell.

Community Health Centers of Central Wyoming (CHCCW) will mark National Health Center Week at the Beartrap Summer Festival on August 6 and 7. CHCCW will provide attendees with free sunscreen, water and health screenings. Those who stop by their booth will be able to learn more about their current heart and lung health as well as their risk for diabetes. For more

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