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DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY HEALTH CENTERS TO KICK-OFF
NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK AUGUST 12TH IN KENNER, LA

Hispanic community serves as the special focus of the August 12th back-to-school health fair

NEW ORLEANS, LA – Daughters of Charity Health Centers (DCHC) will host a back-to-school health fair Saturday, August 12th at Grace & Restoration Church (Iglesia Gracia y Restauracion), 3000 Williams Blvd., Kenner, LA, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The back-to-school health fair is free and open to the public, and will serve as DCHC's kick-off for National Health Center Week, a week-long national celebration that raises awareness about the mission and accomplishments of America's Health Centers.

The back-to-school health fair, hosted at the church which primarily serves the local Hispanic community, will feature a school supply giveaway and a variety of health screenings and services, including dental, vision, blood pressure, blood sugar and cholesterol screenings and much more. DCHC is proud to partner with Henry Schein, a worldwide distributor of medical and dental supplies, to conduct the back-to-school health fair. Henry Schein will provide a variety of free health care kits to participants. DCHC is one of four health care centers nationwide to be awarded a grant from Henry Schein to support the health fair.

Additionally, pharmaceutical and medical supplies distributor McKesson will support DCHC's National Health Center Week initiative by providing health care kits comprised of bandage packs, hand sanitizers and toothbrushes. The kits will be distributed during DCHC's outreach to the homeless at Ozanam Inn on August 16th.

DCHC's recognition of National Health Center Week concludes with a job fair Saturday, August 19th at its New Orleans East health center, 5630 Read Blvd., 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Between August 12th and August 19th, DCHC is scheduled to participate in other events as follows:

- August 14th: Health screenings at the Honduran Consulate (event closed to the public) and Gretna United Methodist Church (event open to the public)
- August 15th: Back-to-school giveaways at Daughters of Charity Health Center – Desire (event open to the public)
- August 16th: Health Care for the Homeless Day at Ozanam Inn (event open to DCHC staff only)

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- August 17th: Health screenings on the DCHC medical mobile unit during Market Umbrella's Farmer's Market near the American Can Apartments (event open to the public)
- August 18th: Citywide Baby Shower for new and expecting moms taking place at Daughters of Charity Health Center - New Orleans East (event is free and open to the public; call [\(504\) 212-9545](tel:5042129545) to register)
- August 19th: DCHC Job Fair at the Daughters of Charity Health Center - New Orleans East

A complete list of events, including dates and times can be found [here](#). For media inquiries, please contact Kertrina Watson Lewis at [\(504\) 231-0659](tel:5042310659).

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