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CHI SPONSORS FREE EVENTS FOR NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK IN AUGUST

(Miami, FL) – Community Health of South Florida Inc. (CHI) is celebrating National Health Center Week with several free events Aug. 11-18, 2018. The events highlight the resources provided by community health centers like CHI and help to get children physically and emotionally ready for the start of school.

This year, the theme is “Celebrating Health Centers: Home of America’s Health Care Heroes.” As such, doctors, nurses and other staff will be donning colorfully decorated capes over their uniforms to raise awareness for the theme and encourage participation in the events.

In addition to the numerous health fairs that offer free medical, dental and behavioral health screenings, CHI will also host two events to honor law enforcement officials and religious leaders.

“We are all in it together. The success of community health centers like CHI is because of key partnerships,” said Brodes H. Hartley Jr., President/CEO of CHI. Our police have the delicate and difficult job of bringing Baker Act cases to our facility and religious leaders are also charged with a challenge to encourage their congregations to care for the entire person: including spiritual, emotional and physical aspects of health.”

CHI’s National Health Center Week free events include:

- **Monroe County School Physical Day**—August 4th. Even before National Health Center week begins, CHI will hold a pre-event at its Marathon and Tavernier Health Centers to include School Physicals for just \$25, free immunizations, hot dogs, giveaways and more. Tavernier Health Center, 91200 Overseas Highway, #17 Tavernier, FL 33070; 8:30am-12:30pm. Marathon Health

Center, 2855 Overseas Highway, Marathon, FL 33050; 10am-2pm. Bring your child's immunization records.

- **Back to School Health Fair** —August 11th from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at CHI's Doris Ison Health Center, 10300 SW 216th St., Miami FL 33190. Free health screenings, entertainment, live music, lunch, backpacks, school supplies and educational resources for the entire family.
- **Religious Leaders Dinner**-- August 13th CHI will honor its religious leaders with a special invitation only dinner.
- **Migrant Health Fair**-- August 15 at Everglades Housing Community Center, 19308 SW 380th St., Florida City, FL 33034. Free health and dental screenings, educational resources, food and fun for the whole family: geared to our seasonal farm workers and migrants.
- **Law Enforcement Officers Luncheon**—August 16th CHI will honor law enforcement officers with a special invitation only luncheon.
- **Chapman Partnership for the Homeless Health Fair**—August 17th CHI will host a fair at Chapman complete with lunch, free health screenings, back packs, school supplies entertainment and more. (The event is closed to the public.)
- **School Physical Day for Miami-Dade County**— From 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, at 8 Miami Dade County CHI health centers. School physicals for just \$25 and free immunizations. Bring your child's immunization records.

For more information, call (786)272-2100 or go to www.chisouthfl.org for a list of locations and events.

Community Health of South Florida Inc. is a non-profit health center with 11 health centers and 35 school-based health centers. It provides primary care, pediatrics, dental, behavioral health, OB/GYN, radiology, vision, pharmacy, laboratory services, urgent care and much more. CHI is a recipient of the Governor's Sterling Award, it is accredited by the Joint Commission and is also accredited as a Level 3 patient centered medical home by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (the highest level attainable). CHI is also only the second federally qualified health center in the nation to be designated as a behavioral health medical home. In addition, CHI is home to the Brodes H. Hartley Jr. Teaching Health Center, training the next generation of doctors in family medicine, psychiatry and OB/GYN.

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