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NEW HEALTH CENTER OPENS IN DOWNTOWN CINCINNATI

CINCINNATI – The Cincinnati Health Department (CHD), in partnership with Talbert House, has expanded its network of Primary Care Health Centers with the opening of the Walnut Street Health Center.

“This full-service health center will help ensure those who need access to health care are able to get it,” said City Manager Harry Black.

The new site will provide affordable primary and preventive care to low-income and medically underserved populations in the downtown community and Greater Cincinnati region, with a particular focus on women and children already seen at Hamilton County JFS and the Talbert House.

Today’s ribbon-cutting celebration coincides with National Health Center Week, a week-long campaign (August 9-15) to raise awareness about the mission and accomplishments of America’s Health Centers. The Walnut Street Health Center is now the seventh Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) operated by CHD.

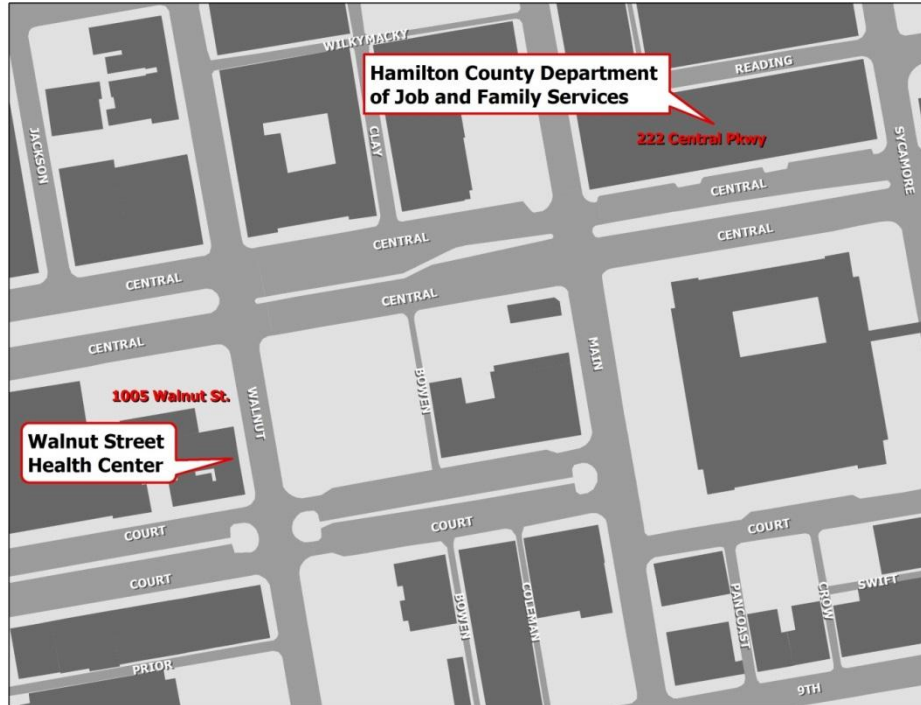
Conveniently located on a bus line and within walking distance to Hamilton County Job and Family Services (JFS), the center offers high quality primary care, reproductive health and support services – insurance or not. And while the center can serve as a medical home for many, patients who have an existing medical home will be referred back to their original medical provider.

“We are proud to be able to expand our primary health care model to address the needs of the downtown Cincinnati community,” said Joyce Tate, Assistant Health Commissioner.

Patients can also get referrals to dental and mental health care services available at other CHD sites. In addition, health center staff assists in connecting patients to other needed services offered elsewhere in the community.

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CHD's network of health centers has provided a safety net of primary care services to Cincinnati residents since 1920. In addition to seven FQHCs, CHD operates one stand-alone dental center, one stand-alone vision and dental center, and eleven school-based health centers. Annually, CHD serves over 33,000 patients.



CHD PRIMARY CARE HEALTH CENTERS

Braxton F. Cann Memorial Medical Center

5818 Madison Rd, 45227

Ambrose H. Clement Health Center

3101 Burnet Ave, 45229

Elm Street Health Center

1525 Elm St, 45202

Millvale At Hopple Street Health Center

2750 Beekman St, 45225

Northside Health Center

3917 Spring Grove Ave, 45223

Price Hill Health Center

2136 W. 8th St, 45204

Walnut Street Health Center

1005 W. 8th St, 45202

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