

Northwest CHC plans for New Facility in Troy

The Northwest Community Health Center (NWCHC) Board of Directors proudly announces that it has received a Health Infrastructure Investment Program award. This award will enable expanded access to care in Lincoln County through the construction of a new facility in Troy, Montana. The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced the awards on September 15th, 2015 to 160 grantees across the nation. On the very same day, NWCHC also received an Expanded Services award providing additional operating support in the area of primary care and health education. Both of these awards will provide the building blocks necessary to support future growth, and the ability to expand quality healthcare within Lincoln County.

NWCHC did explore options to remodel the existing leased space for expanded services; however, was unable to reach a mutually beneficial solution. The patients experience in any of our locations is of utmost importance, and the new up to date clinical design will improve patient flow, efficiency, comfort and privacy. It will further facilitate better communication within the care teams in an effort to support the organizations patient centered medical home philosophy.

Construction is currently planned to be a total of 3,830 square feet, which is nearly triple the current space, and should begin early 2016 with an estimated project period of 12 months. Currently, NWCHC provides medical, behavioral health and WIC Nutrition Services in Troy. The planned increase of space will provide the ability to potentially increase the scope of services within the organizations delivery model and are not currently being provided in this location. The exact staffing for the future is yet to be determined; however, it is anticipated this grant and construction will expand services to an additional 300 medical users and 100 behavioral health users in the first year of operation

NWCHC strives to provide comprehensive care for anyone indiscriminately, and increasing access to care is at the heart of the organizations mission.

For more information about the HHS programs referenced above please see the official press release at <http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2015pres/09/20150915a.html>)

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