



MEDIA ADVISORY
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West County Health Centers Holds Rally and Peaceful Demonstration To Highlight The Troubled State Of Health Care

Marking the Last Day of National Health Center Week, Local Clinics, Community Leaders, Patients Will Gather To Protest State Budget Cuts

What: National Health Center Week
When: Noon – 2pm, Friday, August 14, 2009
Where: Guerneville Plaza (Hwy 116 and First Street, Guerneville)
Who: Congresswoman Lynn Woolsey

WEST COUNTY HEALTH CENTERS, CA, August 14, 2009—In honor of **National Health Center Week** (August 9 – 15), West County Health Centers, along with clinics throughout the state, will be hosting a Rally and Peaceful Demonstration today in the Guerneville from Noon-2pm to protest state budget cuts to vital public programs and services. Participants will be wearing blue ribbons to emphasize the challenges community clinics and health centers face in light of the Governor’s budget action and their call for urgently needed federal health care reform.

In Sebastopol, West County Health Centers will also be hosting peaceful demonstrations today, Friday August, 14th, from 7am to 9am at Hwy 116 and Bodega Hwy ending with an iWALK to the Sebastopol Community Health Center.

In Occidental, West County Health Centers will also be having an information booth at the Occidental Farmers Market and a peaceful demonstration today, Friday August 14th, from 4:30 pm- Dusk at Bohemian Hwy and Second Street.

National Health Center Week is a chance to celebrate non-profit, local community providers of high-quality primary and preventive care, available to anyone who walks through their doors, regardless of a person’s insurance status or ability to pay.

West County Health Centers envisions a community where all residents have a medical home and patients and staff are empowered to build healthy lives and communities. West County Health Centers mission is to provide comprehensive, quality and accessible health care services to the communities of western Sonoma County. West County Health Centers, Inc. is a 501 © (3) non- profit Federally Qualified Health Center with sites in Forestville, Guerneville, Occidental, and Sebastopol. www.wchealth.org # # # #