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Community Health Center Transition to Follow New Path

Topeka, Kan – Shawnee County was recently notified that the transition of relinquishing the Community Health Center (CHC) operations to a non-profit model will require a new process to be followed. The transition was expected to occur January 1, 2016 and it is now expected to take place mid- to late-2016. Health Services and Resources Services Administration (HRSA) declined to accept the Successor in Interest application that would have enabled GraceMed Health Clinic, Inc. from Wichita, KS to assume operations of the CHC.

“While we are disappointed in HRSA’s decision, we will continue to work towards making the transition from a public entity model of care to a non-profit entity and look forward to continued collaboration with GraceMed,” stated Commissioner Kevin Cook. “The County is committed to continuing to provide clinical care for residents of the county and will do so until the final transition takes place.”

Clinical services will continue to be available for the time being at the following locations:

1615 SW 8th Avenue
2025 SE California Street
2115 SW 10th Street

The Community Health Center continues to accept new patients. Most major insurance plans such as Blue Cross Blue Shield, Aetna, Century and United HealthCare as well as KanCare Medicaid and Medicare are accepted. The Community Health Center offers discounted services for individuals who do not have health insurance. To schedule an appointment call 785-251-2000.

Effective December 8th, Women’s Health and Maternal & Infant Program will relocate to the 8th Avenue clinic.

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