

Maryâ€™s Center to Announce Expansion into Prince Georgeâ€™s County, MD

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Washington, DC – Access to primary care continues to be an issue for many Prince George's residents: The County has 95 primary care providers per 100,000 residents, in comparison to 140 per 100,000 in the state as a whole. Further, physicians practicing in Prince George's County are concentrated in areas near the County's six hospitals, and not in areas of the County experiencing high numbers of unnecessary emergency room visits and preventable hospitalizations. Through a \$1.5 million grant from CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield (CareFirst) and other significant contributions, Mary's Center will be able to expand its primary care and other family services for the County.

What: Mary's Center and key partners will hold a groundbreaking ceremony to announce the expansion of its services into Prince George's County, in Maryland, with core financial support from CareFirst.

The new site will meet critical health care needs of Prince George's residents and will improve the quality of life of its families. Mary's Center will work hand in hand with its partners in this project, the Prince George's Public Schools, the Judy Hoyer Family Learning Center, and the Prince George's Child Resource Center to ensure that comprehensive resources are provided to families receiving care at the new site.

When: Wednesday, October 26, 2011

3 p.m. (EST)

Who: Maria Gomez, President and CEO, Mary's Center

Bradford L. Seamon, Prince George's County Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Ingrid M. Turner, Prince George's County Council Chair

Will Campos, Prince George's County Council--District 2

Dr. William Hite, Prince George's County Superintendent of Education

Julie Hoffman, Board President Prince George's Child Resource Center

Desiree Griffin-Moore, Executive Director, Prince George's Community Foundation

Maria Harris Tildon, Senior VP of Public Policy and Community Affairs, CareFirst

Where: The Judy Hoyer Family Learning Center

8908 Riggs Road, Adelphi, MD

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