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****East Dallas Health Clinics open cooperative site

DALLAS -- Agencies involved in The East Dallas Health Clinics facility will hold ribbon-cutting ceremonies at their new shared quarters Friday, May 29, at 3:30 p.m. A reception for local agency executives and city officials will be held at the newly renovated building, located at 408 North Haskell Avenue, from 3 until 6 p.m. that afternoon. Funding for the facility comes from the City of Dallas and the Meadows Foundation.

The East Dallas Clinics are a new cooperative effort to serve the medical and dental needs of the medically underserved population in that area of the city.

Cooperating in the innovative project are the Department of Health and Human Services;

Dental Health Programs, Inc.; the East Dallas Health Coalition, Inc.; and the Division of Maternal Health and Family Planning, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas. Programs will include family planning services, well-baby clinics, general medical care and dental care for children, the elderly and dental emergencies.

"This is the first time that such complete medical and dental services have been available for low-income residents of the city at one site," said Dr. Lewis Mondy, associate director of Maternal Health and Family Planning.

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For information about the opening contact Dr. Lewis Mondy, associate director of Maternal Health and Family Planning at UTHSCD, at 688-2938.

For setting appointments to tape or take photographs in the Maternal Health and Family Planning clinic, contact Annette Carlson at 688-2938.

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NOTE: The University of Texas Health Science Center at Dallas comprises Southwestern Medical School, Southwestern Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and the School of Allied Health Sciences.