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Douglas County Health Department Opens New WIC Clinic

The Douglas County Health Department has opened a new WIC clinic at 120th and West Dodge Road to reach more low-income mothers and their families with the nutrition counseling and education the program offers.

The new WIC clinic, behind Jensen Tire, replaces two satellite operations at 120th and L and 98th and Maple. Those clinics were open a combined 12 days per month and served from 550 to 650 participants, meaning clients often had to wait up to two months for an appointment.

“That delay is far too long when the health of a child is involved,” said Mary Balluff, Community Health and Nutrition Division Chief for the Douglas County Health Department. “The new clinic will help women and children access the WIC program in a timely manner and help these children get a better start in life.”

The new clinic will be open five days per week and serve an estimated 1,000 to 1,200 clients per month in the beginning and is expected to grow to 3,000 to 3,500 within a couple of years. WIC (Women, Infants and Children) serves about 15,000 clients in Douglas County, with additional locations at Charles Drew/WIC, 2912 Manderson; One World WIC, 4612 S. 25th St.; Creighton University Medical Center, 601 N. 30th St.; and in the Center Mall at 42nd and Center.

The new clinic’s hours are from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Thursday hours are 11:30 a.m. until 7:30 p.m. The clinic will open from 8 a.m. until noon on the first Saturday of each month, with reduced hours from 12:30 to 4:40 p.m. the following Mondays.

Anyone interested in participating in the WIC program needs to call to set an appointment at 444-6800 and to determine eligibility.

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