



Media Release

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The Brevard County Health Department received two certificate program awards for 2011 as “Promising Practice” from the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) for its outstanding role and innovative programs. The county-wide Comprehensive Sexual Assault Examination Response Clinic and the Primary Access to Health (PATH) Clinic were recognized for outstanding contributions in local public health practice.

The Sexual Assault Examination Response program was implemented in partnership with the State’s Attorney Office, the Sexual Assault Victim Services (SAVS), the Salvation Army Domestic Violence Shelter and the Brevard County Health Department. This program responds to sexual violence victims quickly and compassionately 24 hours a day with comprehensive, individualized, victim centered care in a safe location. This program helps reduce a tremendous burden on the emergency medical system in both capacity and cost.

The Primary Access to Health Clinic (PATH) provides healthcare for non-emergency acute and chronic health conditions, limited disease management and education, diagnosis, treatment and follow-up care, laboratory services and EKG testing. Services are provided by Brevard County Health Department with support from the Board of Brevard County Commissioners, local hospitals and volunteer private providers. All services are provided at no cost to the clients who meet the eligibility criteria – 100% below poverty level and no insurance.

We are proud of these two health department programs that provide valuable medical services to the community.

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