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**North County Health Services Newest Health Center
Opening February 16th**

*NCHS Mission Mesa Health Center
to increase access to healthcare for North County children & families*

SAN MARCOS, Ca. February 12, 2015 - North County Health Services (NCHS) has announced the new NCHS Mission Mesa Pediatrics health center will officially be **open for services beginning February 16th, 2015**. The NCHS Mission Mesa health center has been under construction since the official groundbreaking in December of 2013.

The NCHS Mission Mesa health center has undergone a complete reconstruction of its Pediatrics building taking the old 3,024 square-foot, 6 exam room facility to an expanded state-of-the-art 12,639 square-foot, 18 exam room facility.



Old NCHS Mission Mesa health center



New NCHS Mission Mesa health center



Almost Open - The newest of NCHS' 10 health centers features innovative work stations for staff & a nautical-themed waiting area and exam rooms.



The brand new state-of-the-art facility also features a procedure room, 2 health education rooms, 1 lactation consultation room, 1 financial consultation room and a Group Visit room, all to accommodate the need for quality, affordable health services in the Oceanside community. In addition to the new Pediatrics building, the same property also is home to NCHS Mission Mesa Women’s Health as well as WIC services and if needed, transportation services to patients who need help getting to their appointment. “We are proud of the value we bring to our patients and their families. This new facility will only enable us to better improve their health care experience. We want the community to see us as their complete medical home and come to us as a first choice, not a last resort” says Irma Cota, President & CEO of North County Health Services.

All 10 of North County Health Services clinic, or health center, locations will never turn anyone away for their ability to pay. They offer low to no-cost services, proudly welcome Medi-Cal patients and if a someone is uninsured, NCHS will look to see what new insurance options are available and offer free enrollment assistance. In addition, uninsured patients can come to NCHS and pay a flat fee which includes their medical visit, plus any labs, x-rays or procedures they would need – included in one low price for either \$40, \$50 or \$60 depending on income and family size.

An official Grand Opening Celebration and Annual Report to the community will be held on site April 9th, 2015 at 3:00pm featuring tours, appetizers and an official address from the CEO. The NCHS Mission Mesa health center will open its doors for services in the brand new building Monday, February 16th at 7:30 am on 2210 Mesa Dr. Oceanside, CA 92054. “This building not only creates a brand new health center for our community, but will enable us to continue to deliver quality care to our current and future patients” says Cota, “helping us fulfill our mission, which is to improve the health status of our diverse communities.”

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About North County Health Services

North County Health Services is a private not-for-profit organization that serves over 60,000 patients annually at 10 community health centers in Carlsbad, Encinitas, Oceanside, San Marcos and Ramona, and through two mobile clinics. NCHS has been providing affordable, quality & comprehensive care to members of our north San Diego County communities who are uninsured or underinsured for over 40 years. Services at NCHS include pediatrics, obstetrics, gynecology, dental care, internal medicine, adolescent medicine, radiology, pharmacy and transportation services as well as community health outreach, prevention and disease management programs. We accept private insurances, Medi-Cal and Medicare. If you are uninsured, you may be eligible for low or no-cost programs based on your income, qualify for a discount or use our monthly payment plan.

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