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Children's Hospital of Wisconsin and Marquette University partnering on two nurse-managed community health clinics

New clinics will improve primary care options for Milwaukee neighborhoods

MILWAUKEE (7/1/13) – [Children's Hospital of Wisconsin](#) and [Marquette University](#) College of Nursing will partner on two new nurse-managed community clinics aimed at bringing health care options closer to patients in areas of Milwaukee that are most in need of primary health care, the two organizations announced today.

“Children's Hospital of Wisconsin believes there is nothing more important than the health and well-being of Wisconsin's children,” said Peggy Troy, R.N., M.S.N., CEO, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin. “We are pleased to partner with Marquette University, an institution committed to community engagement. With the addition of the two new primary care clinics in partnership with Marquette, Children's Hospital now offers family-centered primary care services at 19 locations in the greater Milwaukee area, helping ensure that all children in Southeast Wisconsin have the necessary services to be healthy and safe.”

The new Children's Hospital Primary Care clinics are targeted to open in October 2013, and will serve children and adolescents, birth to 19 years of age, and their adult caregivers.

“Marquette College of Nursing is committed to embedding itself in the local community to be a part of the health care solution in Milwaukee,” said College of Nursing Dean and Interim Provost Margaret Faut Callahan, C.R.N.A., F.N.A.P., F.A.A.N. “The opportunity to partner with the No. 4 children's hospital in the nation to bring health care to neighborhoods with few primary care options is one the Marquette University College of Nursing could not pass up.”

The nurse-managed clinics will be staffed by adult and family nurse practitioners from Marquette University College of Nursing, and will be located in areas that historically have few health care options:

- Children's Hospital Primary Care, COA Youth and Family Centers – Goldin Center, 2320 W. Burleigh St., Milwaukee
- Children's Hospital Primary Care, Northside YMCA, 1350 W. North Ave., Milwaukee

“Strengthening the community is our cause at the Y, and we know that lasting personal and social change comes about when we all work together. The introduction of a clinic within our



Northside YMCA represents a wonderful collaboration between our organizations that directly addresses a critical need in that neighborhood. We are thrilled to be a part of this initiative,” said Bob Yamachika, president and CEO of the [YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee](#).

“COA Youth & Family Centers’ partnership with Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin and Marquette University College of Nursing will provide badly-needed health care to an area of the city that currently has no medical facility,” said [COA Youth and Family Center](#) Executive Director Tom Schneider. “Together Children’s Hospital, Marquette, and COA will not only provide access to health care, but also provide opportunities for families to participate in youth and family programming in order to make a measurable impact on health, wellness, and family stability in one of the most distressed and health-deficient neighborhoods in Milwaukee. COA currently serves more than 16,000 children and families at 22 locations citywide. This partnership will help further our mission of serving children, strengthening families and building community.”

Both undergraduate and graduate Marquette nursing students will have the opportunity to participate in clinical activity at the two new Children’s Hospital Primary Care clinics to fulfill their community health care clinical requirement. In the future, the College of Nursing and Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin hope to partner to offer flu shot clinics and free health care screenings to underserved populations in the neighborhoods surrounding the two new Children’s Hospital Primary Care clinics.

In addition to its two-clinic partnership with Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin, Marquette University also announced today a new Marquette Neighborhood Health Center specializing in women’s health and prenatal services. It will be located inside the Hillside Family Resource Center at 1452 N. 7th St., and is expected to open Aug. 1, 2013, taking the place of the current Marquette Neighborhood Health Center location at 1834 W. Wisconsin Ave. Until Aug. 1, female patients who currently receive women’s health and prenatal services at the Marquette Neighborhood Health Center may continue to receive care at the Wisconsin Avenue clinic.

The new clinic in the Hillside Family Resource Center is located less than two miles from the previous location, and will provide services related to the College of Nursing’s five-year, [\\$1.5 million Health Resources and Services Administration grant](#) aimed at improving birth outcomes for African American women and increasing the rates of breastfeeding among African-American mothers.

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About Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin

Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin is the region’s only independent health care system dedicated solely to the health and well-being of children. The hospital, with locations in Milwaukee and Neenah, Wis., is recognized as one of the leading pediatric health care centers in the United States and is ranked No. 4 in the nation by *Parents* magazine. Children’s Hospital provides primary care, specialty care, urgent care, emergency care, community health services, foster and adoption services, child and family counseling, child advocacy services and family resource



centers. In 2011, Children's Hospital invested more than \$100 million in the community to improve the health status of children through medical care, advocacy, education and pediatric medical research. Children's Hospital achieves its mission in part through donations from individuals, corporations and foundations and is proud to be a member of Children's Miracle Network Hospitals. For more information, visit the website at chw.org.

About Marquette University College of Nursing

Through a transformational Catholic, Jesuit education, Marquette University College of Nursing prepares nursing leaders to promote health, healing and social justice for all people through clinical practice and development of nursing knowledge. In 2012, the College of Nursing partnered with Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare to create the \$4 million Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare Center for Clinical Simulation, which was named one of the top 10 medical breakthroughs of the year by *Milwaukee Magazine*. The College of Nursing has become the most competitive undergraduate college for admission on Marquette's campus. For more information, visit the website at marquette.edu.