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HMS and CYFD “Crochet for Kids” Partnership Produces Many Handmade Items for Local Foster Children

Silver City, NM (April 11, 2017) – Hidalgo Medical Services (HMS), the New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department’s Luna and Hidalgo County office (CYFD), and the gracious efforts of numerous, individuals in the community, started a collaboration earlier this year. The purpose of this first-time partnership was to collect crochet materials and make handmade items, such as blankets, hats, and mittens, for local, foster children. Over the past few months, many items have already been distributed by the HMS Ena Mitchell Senior Center staff in Lordsburg to Debbie Orona, CYFD Luna and Hidalgo County Office Manager to share directly with foster children in need.

According to April Hunter, HMS Senior Services Program Manager, “The HMS Ena Mitchell Senior Center has received many beautiful items from Grant and Hidalgo County seniors and community members.” Hunter added, “This has been, and will continue to be, an inspiring example of how much can be accomplished together for a great cause.” Leslie Tomerlin, HMS Senior Center Program Coordinator stated, “I am really amazed by the support from our communities, and the individual efforts of such generous people in both Hidalgo and Grant counties.”

According to Hunter, the “Crochet for Kids” project through the HMS Senior Center in Lordsburg no longer needs supplies. Those individuals interested in participating in ongoing crochet activities are encouraged to contact the HMS Ena Mitchell Senior Center directly at (575) 542-9414. Seniors are invited to work on the project every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00am at the HMS Senior Center in Lordsburg.

Please visit www.hmsnm.org to learn more about HMS services, providers, and locations, including the HMS Ena Mitchell Senior Center located at 532 DeMoss Street in Lordsburg.



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Cliff-Gila Residents Reap Benefits of Hidalgo Medical Services and Gila Valley Library Adjacent Service Locations

Silver City, NM (April 14, 2017) – When an area resident picks up their mail from the Gila Post Office, they also have a convenient opportunity to stop into Hidalgo Medical Services (HMS) or the Gila Valley Library for additional services. HMS provides medical services to Cliff-Gila area community members and the Gila Valley Library is the frontier community’s only area library. Although the two organizations each provide different services to area residents, their adjacent locations have created a central stopping point.

The current Gila Valley Library location was leased to the nonprofit organization by HMS, another nonprofit organization actively serving the community, in 2011. “Innovative collaborations and partnerships between community organizations, such as the Gila Valley Library and HMS, help to meet the many needs of our community’s diverse interests,” stated Merritt Helfferich, Gila Valley Library Board of Trustees Chair. Gila Valley Library Board Member, Peter Russell, added, “The Gila Valley Library values its ongoing partnership with HMS. Our organization strives to provide various and interactive materials, Internet access, events, and educational programs to adults and children, now and in the future.”

Dan Otero, HMS Chief Executive Officer, stated, “HMS and the Gila Valley Library each work hard to meet the unique needs of area residents located along Highway 180 northwest of Silver City. HMS positively impacts the health, well-being, and quality of life for those we serve at the HMS Cliff-Gila Community Health Center, and the Gila Valley Library successfully promotes children’s and adult literacy within northwestern Grant County.” “Our neighboring, service locations have created a resource hub of sorts for area residents. HMS hopes to continue that synergy for the betterment of the community,” Otero added.

Please visit www.hmsnm.org to learn more about HMS services, providers, and locations, including the HMS Cliff-Gila Community Health Center located at 415 Highway 211 in Gila. To learn more about Gila Valley Library programs, events, and services, please visit www.gilavalleylibrary.org The Gila Valley Library is located at 411 Highway 211 in Gila.



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Hidalgo Medical Services and Genoa, a QoL Healthcare Company, Celebrate New Onsite Pharmacy with Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting

Silver City, NM (April 20, 2017) – On Wednesday, April 19, public officials, community and business leaders, HMS Board of Directors members, and other supporters gathered to celebrate the grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony of the new, on-site Genoa, a QoL Healthcare Company, pharmacy located at the HMS Silver City Community Health Center on Pope Street.

The grand opening event was the 357th full-service, on-site pharmacy for Genoa, and is its second pharmacy in the state of New Mexico. HMS Chief Executive Officer, Dan Otero, stated, “HMS’ addition of pharmacy services has already demonstrated improved quality of care and service to HMS patients and clients.” HMS and Genoa have partnered to open a new, on-site pharmacy at the HMS Lordsburg Clinic. The Lordsburg location is tentatively scheduled to open in late-May 2017.

New Mexico State Senator, Howie Morales, Town of Silver City Mayor Pro Tem, Cynthia Ann Bettison, and Town of Silver City Councilor, Guadalupe Cano, were in attendance. Senator Morales highlighted the important role that HMS serves in the healthcare communities of Grant and Hidalgo counties. Morales also expressed his support for new pharmacy services available to HMS patients.

Genoa provides pharmacy and telepsychiatry services to more than 500,000 individuals annually throughout more than 40 states. For more information on Genoa please visit www.genoa-qol.com

Hidalgo Medical Services (HMS) provides comprehensive medical, dental, mental health, and family support services to more than 16,000 patients and clients annually across 13 locations. Please visit www.hmsnm.org for more information.