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### **LifeSpring Health Systems to Hold Open House During National Health Center Week**

**(JEFFERSONVILLE, IN)**—LifeSpring Health Systems invites the public to an open house celebrating their newly opened Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) during the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' National Health Center Week (August 10-16). National Health Center Week recognizes and celebrates the opportunities that Health Centers provide individuals to receive health care regardless of their insurance status or ability to pay. Health Centers serve over 23 million Americans and one in every fifteen people living in the United States depends on their services.

The FQHC, called LifeSpring Community Medical Services, is located at the Integrated Treatment Center on Sharon Drive in Jeffersonville and will provide comprehensive primary healthcare services in medically underserved areas and populations. Anyone will be able to receive care, regardless of income or insurances.

"We are thrilled to celebrate our Open House during National Health Center Week- an initiative to improve healthcare access to people that began more than fifty years ago, shortly after the beginning of the community mental health system. Improving the overall health of the community is central to our mission and this bringing more affordable and accessible healthcare to our community is one more way LifeSpring intends to meet that mission," said Dr. Terry L. Stawar, President/CEO.

*LifeSpring Health Systems is the state designated community mental health center in Clark, Floyd, Harrison, Jefferson, Scott and Washington counties and a Federally Qualified Health Center. LifeSpring serves more than 7,000 clients annually by providing a comprehensive spectrum of behavioral healthcare services. To learn more, visit LifeSpring's website at [www.lifespringhealthsystems.org](http://www.lifespringhealthsystems.org).*



"As a physician who works primarily in the Emergency Department, I see firsthand the consequence of inadequate access to primary care. I signed on to this project early on because I believe many of the patients I see every day could avoid visiting the hospital if they had adequate and affordable healthcare. I am excited to serve as Medical Director for this project and to be a part of the healthcare solution in our community," said Dr. Eric Yazel, LifeSpring Community Medical Services Medical Director

Please join the celebration on August 13, 2015 from 4:00PM – 6:00PM at 1036 Sharon Drive in Jeffersonville. The ribbon cutting will take place at 4:30PM and light refreshments will be served.

For services, LifeSpring Community Medical Services can be reached directly at 812-280-6606.

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