

Bandon Community Health Center move set for Aug. 11

New location, new name



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BANDON — Bandon Community Health Center will begin serving patients in their new clinic at 1010 First Street SE on Aug. 11. The move is the biggest event for the organization since the health center opened in 2009, said Executive Director Linda Maxon.

Health center staff contributed ideas to the redesign, with patient comfort in mind. Residents familiar with the locale as the former Bandon VA clinic will be pleasantly surprised by the upgrades, Maxon said.

The color selection evokes a sunset stroll on the beach, according to Maxon. The spacious clinic provides efficient flow between patient services and exam areas. Ground floor access and proximity to public transit are additional perks.

Expanding patient services and bringing new, highly skilled providers to the area are key to the health center's mission. All involved in the expansion are excited to unveil the new space — that includes members of the renovation crew led by Joseph Caspary Construction, some of whom worked on construction of the health center's first clinic.

“We are thrilled by the great work Joseph Caspary and his crew are doing,” said Board Director Beth Wood. “We look forward to our beautiful new space and serving our patients.”

The clinic will be closed for the move Thursday and Friday, Aug. 7 and 8. Staff will monitor voicemail. As always, patients in an emergency should call 911 for help. And patients are encouraged to ask their pharmacy to fax prescription refill requests earlier in the week.

Patient appointments will resume in the new clinic Monday, Aug. 11 at 11 a.m.

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With the move, the health center will adopt a new name: Coast Community Health Center.

“As our health center continues to grow into becoming a Federally Qualified Health Center, we felt it was appropriate to revisit our center's name to be more inclusive of the community members we are serving in Bandon, Langlois, Sixes, Port Orford and Agness,” explained Maxon. “Our board of directors approved our name change to reflect our commitment to the residents of southern Coos and northern Curry counties.”

The name change will be in effect with the move to the new clinic.

Coast Community Health Center provides caring attention from highly skilled medical professionals. As a Federally Qualified Health Center, the center offers primary health care to residents of Oregon's South Coast in the Bandon clinic and Pirate Wellness Center at Pacific High School. The health center is accepting new patients. Contact health center staff at 541-347-2529.