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New Lab Services Offered by SWNPHD

McCook- Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department (SWNPHD) will begin offering lab services April 7, 2014. “We are looking forward to drawing blood for several tests at our office,” states Melissa Propp, RN, SWNPHD Public Health Nurse. “Prevention is the key to good health and these tests will help identify potential health issues.”

To kickoff the new lab services, SWNPHD will draw blood during National Public Health Week, Monday, April 7th through Friday, April 11th from 7:00 - 9:00 a.m. at our office. SWNPHD is located at 404 West 10th Street, one block north of Arby’s. Call 308-345-4223 to schedule your time slot.

As with most tests, fasting is required 12 hours prior to drawing the blood. An “on the go” breakfast will be provided following the tests. “Following the kickoff week, lab services will be available the last Tuesday of the month,” explains Propp. “We appreciate your call to schedule an appointment with us.”

SWNPHD will provide the following tests: General Panel which includes Complete Blood Count (CBC), Comprehensive Metabolic Profile (CMP) and Thyroid (TSH). Additional tests available are: Lipid Profile, Prostate (PSA), and Hemoglobin A1C. “If you have questions about any of the lab tests we conduct, please call us or email: nurse@swhealth.ne.gov,” shares Tami Herskowitz, RN, Public Health Nurse. “We accept private payment and can bill Blue Cross Blue Shield or Midlands Choice insurance companies.”

Monthly lab clinics in McCook will be the last Tuesday of the month from 7:00 – 9:00 a.m. on the following dates: April 29, May 27, June 24, July 29, August 26, September 30, October 28, November 25 and December 30.

More information on lab services is available at www.swhealth.ne.gov and you can follow us on Facebook or Twitter. Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department serves Chase, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Hayes, Hitchcock, Perkins and Red Willow counties.

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