



Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare

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**WHEATON FRANCISCAN HEALTHCARE AND YMCA OF METROPOLITAN MILWAUKEE OPEN
AREA'S FIRST YMCA HEALTHY LIFESTYLE VILLAGE**

Local organizations collaborate to address health issues that face our community

June 15, 2009 (Brown Deer, WI) - The YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee and Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare opened the first ever YMCA Healthy Lifestyle Village in the Milwaukee area on the site of the Rite-Hite Family YMCA at 9250 N. Green Bay Road in Brown Deer.

The facility includes a new 60,000 square foot three-story medical building connected by a common lobby on the north side of the Rite-Hite Family YMCA (formerly Schroeder Branch YMCA). Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare – Brown Deer houses physician offices, full service imaging including nuclear and stress tests, physical therapy, an endoscopy suite, pain management center, and a laboratory. The Rite-Hite Family YMCA recently underwent an extensive renovation to provide needed updates to the 30-year old building. The branch offers individual and family programs including fitness, aquatics, pre-school, day camp, family and teen programs. The Walter Schroeder Aquatic Center is also located at the campus.

“From the very inception of this partnership we have been working with Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare in order to provide relevant and innovative programs to our members and the community as a whole,” said Bob Yamachika, President and CEO of the YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee. “Our newly renovated Rite-Hite Family YMCA provides members and the community the opportunity to live healthier in spirit, mind and body, and their options are enhanced through the offerings at Wheaton.”

“This one-of-a-kind collaboration with our YMCA partners gives us tremendous opportunities to establish creative programs to help families become proactive in managing their health,” said

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John D. Oliverio, President and CEO for Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare. “It's exciting that patients have the chance to improve their medical outcomes with the help of our physicians and YMCA experts.”

“We have been very proud to be a part of this exciting venture since its inception. This new state-of-the-art facility will allow us to bring the latest in comprehensive care to our patients and the community at large. We look forward to working closely with our partners at the Rite-Hite Family YMCA in helping families and individuals create realistic and sustainable healthy lifestyle plans which can have a big impact on general health as well as improve management of chronic illness.”

The Village offers joint programming including health screenings, community health and wellness education, outpatient therapy and rehabilitation, aquatic rehabilitation programming, stress management, and shared use of fitness equipment.

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About the YMCA Healthy Lifestyle Village

The first-ever in the Milwaukee area, the YMCA Healthy Lifestyle Village in Brown Deer is a partnership between the YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee, Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare and the Walter Schroeder Aquatic Center. The YMCA Healthy Lifestyle Village is a ‘destination campus,’ where people can learn, plan, and take action to improve their health and quality of life. The joint campus creates synergies in providing the most comprehensive set of services for health and fitness, wellness education, family programming and screenings to YMCA members, Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare patients, and the community at large. Wheaton Franciscan Medical Group family physicians and specialists are located on the campus, in addition to an urgent care center, outpatient therapy and rehabilitation, and diagnostic imaging.

About the partners

The YMCA of Metropolitan Milwaukee builds strong kids, strong families, and strong communities by helping people live healthy lives in spirit, mind and body. Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare is a Catholic not-for-profit organization with more than 100 health and shelter organizations in Wisconsin, Iowa, Colorado and Illinois. The Walter Schroeder Aquatic Center, Ltd. Is a non-profit corporation, with the mission of refurbishing, maintaining and improving the region's most unique and important competitive aquatic facility - the Walter Schroeder Aquatic Center.