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APRIL HIV TEST INITIATIVE AT COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER IN
RECOGNITION OF AIDS AWARENESS DAY

TORRINGTON, CT, March 28—Community Health and Wellness Center (CHWC) provides free, confidential HIV Testing at both its Torrington and Winsted locations. In recognition of AIDS Awareness day on April 18th, CHWC is giving a free gift card to the first 30 people who get tested throughout the month of April.

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), more than 1.1 million people in the United States have HIV, and one in six do not know they are infected. The center urges people to “take the test—know your status” with an HIV test that provides results in 20 minutes.

CHWC testing locations and times are as follows:

--CHWC, Torrington, 469 Migeon Avenue: Monday – Friday, 8:30 am – 4 pm

--CHWC Winsted, 115 Spencer Street, 8:30 am – 10 am

--Torrington FISH: Thursdays 8:30 am – 10 am

--Winsted Soup Kitchen, Last Wednesday of every month 10:30 am – 12:30pm

--Winsted Salvation Army, Last Wednesday of the month 2 pm – 4 pm

An individual does not need to be a patient of CHWC to have an HIV test. No appointment is necessary during the scheduled testing time.

CHWC offers HIV treatment and prevention programs.

For more information and for confidential questions/answers call 860-387-0490.

ABOUT COMMUNITY HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER

The Community Health & Wellness Center of Greater Torrington is committed to keeping communities healthy. The center, its employees, volunteer practitioners, board members, officer, and independent contractors are deemed to be employees of the Federal Public Health and Human Services.

In a compassionate, patient-centered environment, CHWC services are accessible and provided without discriminations, with cultural competence, and where all people matter regardless of their ability to pay.

CHWC offers and continues to develop a range of healthcare services for the underserved throughout northwest Connecticut, including medical, dental, and counseling services. It strives to achieve the reputation of “provider of choice” for affordable, high quality services that achieve positive patient outcomes in a welcoming and caring environment.

CHWC collaborates and advocates with other organizations to increase the region’s capacity to meet the communities’ health and wellness needs.

CHWC is located at 469 Migeon Avenue, Torrington, CT, and 115 Spencer Street, Winsted, CT, with the following satellite locations: FISH of Torrington, 332 South Main Street, Torrington; Sullivan Senior Center, 88 East Albert Street, Torrington, CT; The Open Door Soup Kitchen, 160 Main Street, Winsted; YMCA Emergency Shelter, 480 Main Street, Winsted; Torrington Soup Kitchen, 220 Prospect Street, Torrington; and Oliver Wolcott Technical School, 75 Oliver Street, Torrington.

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