

# Resource Connection

Madison County Schools Resource Newsletter

**September 2019**

## Medical Care for Children



### **Heals, Inc. Mission**

It is our mission to deliver accessible, quality, school-based, primary health care for children through collaborative efforts with the school system and the medical, dental and mental health communities. By providing accessible school-based health care for eligible economically disadvantaged children, we are a real solution, right now to the health care crisis by providing them with a medical, dental and optometry home.

### **How does a student enroll with HEALS?**

Students without insurance at our partnering schools and their siblings are eligible to become HEALS patients. To enroll with HEALS, parents or legal guardians should contact a HEALS nurse or clinic coordinator at one of our site schools to fill out the appropriate paperwork. Students must obtain signed parental consent before using the services of HEALS. We promote family communication by assisting youth to involve their parents in the resolution of health problems.

# Services Provided by HEALS, Inc.

HEALS provides medical care for kids

- Well-child check up (EPSDTs), immunizations, school sports physicals, acute and chronic care for illness and injury, lab work and prescription medications
- Management for chronic illness – asthma, diabetes, sickle cell anemia
- Onsite specialist care: ENT
- Referral for other specialty care: Orthopedic, Neurology, etc.

HEALS provides dental care for kids

- Preventive care, including cleanings, x-rays, fluoride, sealants, periodontal care
- Restorative care, including fillings, root canals, pulpectomy, extractions, space maintenance, SS crowns, etc.
- Dental hygiene education presentations at each HEALS school.

HEALS provides optometry care for kids

- Complete vision and eye health examinations
- Fitting for Medicaid glasses

HEALS provides social services to families

- Locating community resources for provision of household assistance such as food, clothing, shelter and other household necessities.
- Information on education and management of chronic diseases: asthma, diabetes, etc.
- HEALS Lite, a program teaching nutrition and exercise to encourage our children to lead healthy lives

HEALS Insurance Outreach Services

- HEALS Clinic Coordinators work with parents of ANY child in Madison County to help that child obtain insurance coverage—a child does not have to be eligible for HEALS to receive this assistance
- HEALS staff will assist parents/guardians with the appropriate application and will help obtain the required paperwork for Medicaid and AllKids
- Parents can call any of the HEALS Clinics for information and help
- For more information on the participating insurance providers, visit [ALL Kids](#)\*

\*ALL Kids is a low-cost, comprehensive healthcare coverage program for children under age 19. Benefits include well child check-ups and immunizations, sick child doctor visits, prescriptions, vision and dental care, hospitalization, mental health and substance abuse services, and much more.

HEALS provides health education and wellness to kids

- Asthma Classes – American Lung Association
- Health Teacher Classes – Huntsville Hospital Foundation

HEALS provides Social Services to Madison County citizens:

- Assistance with children's insurance applications
- Notification before child's health insurance lapses

- Assistance with locating household needs: food, clothing, and obtaining costly prescriptions

HEALS is a school-based health center.

## Medical Offices

### Madison County School Site Locations:

- Medical Clinic at [Madison Cross Roads Elementary School](#)  
(house on school property north of school – HEALS Clinic and Huntsville Assistance Program)  
11588 Pulaski Pike, Toney, AL  
Phone: (256) 693-1006  
Fax: (256) 693-1002
- The Geraldine Bennett HEALS Clinic at [Madison County Elementary School](#)  
(building on school property with shared parking lot, east of school)  
201 Wood Street, Gurley, AL 35748  
Phone: (256) 776-7305

## Dental Offices

### Madison County School Site Locations:

- The Miracle Clinic at [Madison Cross Roads Elementary School](#)  
11588 Pulaski Pike, Toney, AL (located directly behind HEALS MXR Medical Clinic)  
Phone: (256) 693-1676  
Fax: (256) 693-1674
- (COMING SOON) The Geraldine Bennett HEALS Clinic at [Madison County Elementary School](#)  
201 Wood Street, Gurley, AL 35748  
Phone: (256)  
Fax: (256)

## Optometry Offices

### Madison County School Site Locations:

(Serving eligible children from all HEALS site schools)

- The Miracle Clinic at [Madison Cross Roads Elementary School](#)  
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## **New Hope Children's Clinic Mission**

New Hope Children's Clinic is a non-profit, school-based health clinic created to increase the access to and provide comprehensive medical care for children in Madison County and surrounding communities.

The New Hope Children's Clinic will break barriers, change lives, and give hope to children through local, low cost healthcare.

## **Services Provided**

The following services are provided at the New Hope Children's Clinic for children ages birth through 18-years-old.

You DO NOT have to live in New Hope or go to a New Hope school to be a patient.

### **MEDICAL**

- Treatment of acute injuries and illnesses (i.e. colds, ear infections, sore throats, skin problems)
- Routine well-check visits
- Management of chronic medical problems, such as childhood asthma
- Physical Exams & Health Screenings
- Vaccines
- Sports Physicals
- Laboratory testing
- Nutrition counseling and weight management
- Referral to and follow up for specialty care
- Health education

### **DENTAL**

- Dental Exams & Screenings
- Fillings
- Extractions
- Emergency Care

## Madison County Health Department

### Clinic Services

Operating hours are 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## Mental Health Care



## Nova Academy

**Preschool** services are available at the **Nova Academy**, located at the Nova Center for Youth & Family at [1900 Golf Road in Huntsville \(35802\)](#). The **Academy** is available to children ages 3-5 who have significant behavioral challenges that interfere with their ability to be successful at traditional preschool or daycare settings. The **Academy** is a half-day therapeutic preschool program with teachers, assistants, and mental health professionals who work with children and their families to prepare the child for kindergarten.

**School-Based** services are available at over **60 schools** in Madison County, City of Huntsville, City of Madison, Cullman County, the City of Cullman and surrounding areas. The Nova Center for Youth & Family provides mental health professionals at local schools to work collaboratively with school principals, counselors, and teachers in providing behavioral health services to children and their families. School-based services are available in an individual setting at the child's school and are focused on helping the child succeed academically, in the family, and with peers.

## WellStone/Nova Information

# Transportation for Medical Care

## Kid One Mission

For Kid One, the mission is simple: transport children and expectant mothers to necessary health care services.

## Who is Eligible?

Do you, or someone you know, have difficulty meeting your health care needs due to a lack of transportation?

Kid One Transport is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides transportation to medical, dental, and mental health care services for children and expectant mothers who are transportation disadvantaged. Funding for our service is provided by caring and concerned individuals, foundations, corporations, local governments, and other organizations with an interest in improving the health and wellness of Alabama's children. We currently serve over half the state by providing access to care in North, Central, and East Alabama.

## Kid One Website

# ALL Kids Health Insurance

## ALL Kids Website

Access to healthcare is vital. Children need to be healthy to reach their full potential. To stay healthy, children need to have regular checkups, vision and dental care, and get medical attention if they get sick or injured.

ALL Kids is a low-cost, comprehensive healthcare coverage program for children under age 19. Benefits include regular checkups and immunizations, sick child doctor visits, prescriptions, vision and dental care, hospitalization, mental health and substance abuse services, and much more.

[Apply Online Now](#)

ALL Kids uses [Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama](#) (BCBSAL) to provide medical, and mental health and substance abuse services through their preferred provider network (PPO). [Find a provider now.](#)

## Medicaid

A state/federal program that pays for medical and long-term care services for low-income pregnant women, children, certain people on Medicare, individuals with disabilities and nursing home residents. These individuals must meet certain income and other requirements

[Medicaid Website](#)

## Kids Health Information

### Kids Health

[Nemours](#) is a nonprofit children's health system. Neil Izenberg, MD, a physician at Nemours, founded KidsHealth.org in 1995. Our goal is to help parents, kids, and teens take charge of their health.

We aim to give families the tools and confidence to make the best health choices.

Here's what you'll find on KidsHealth.org:

- [Doctor-reviewed](#) advice on hundreds of physical, emotional, and behavioral topics – from before birth through the teen years.
- Separate sections for [parents](#), [kids](#), and [teens](#), each created with your questions in mind.
- Easy-to-follow articles, slideshows, videos, and health tools designed to help families learn, grow, and be their best.
- [Free lesson plans](#) and programs for teachers and early childhood educators.

# Medical Information

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