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Nashville CARES Announces the Opening of the New My House Clinic

Nashville, Tenn. – Nashville CARES is excited to announce the opening of the new My House Clinic, a medical center designed to be a “one-stop center” providing medical and supportive services. The clinic is designed to be inclusive and support the medical needs of all citizens of the greater Nashville area, and is slated to open September 1, 2020.

The My House Clinic supports patients in navigating the full continuum of care under one roof. This “one-stop center” whole-person care approach provides medical and supportive services to all patients and is delivered with dignity and respect. Culturally competent care by trained professionals will provide an experience that focuses on each individual and provides client-centered, trauma-informed healthcare. The clinic will feature the moniker of PRIDE: **P**romotes **R**espect **I**nclusion & **D**ignity for **E**veryone.

The My House Clinic will provide confidential testing, counseling services, and pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) and prescriptions for individuals at high-risk for exposure to HIV. The medical clinic will also provide primary care, other disease testing, treatment, and prevention with a focus on STIs, including HCV and HIV care. The clinic will also offer COVID-19 testing.

“The opening of the My House Clinic is an exciting time for Nashville CARES as we celebrate 35 years of service in the Middle Tennessee community,” says Amna Osman, CEO of Nashville CARES. “This ‘one-stop center’ provides patients a unique experience to navigate their medical and supportive services by culturally competent practitioners, alleviating barriers to care and promoting positive health outcomes in an inclusive and affirming environment.”

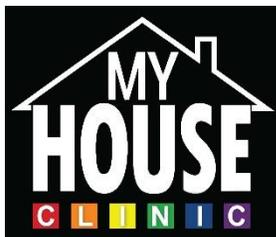
Dr. Christopher Ott, Chief Medical Officer for HCA Healthcare’s Physician Services Group and Board Chair for Nashville CARES adds, “My House is creating access to culturally competent primary and HIV care for the LGBTQ+ community and the community at large, at a time when Nashville certainly needs this expanded access.”

OTHER SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Telehealth Services available for both medical and Behavioral Health Services.
- Full lab services on site.
- Pharmacy located on site providing prescription drugs and medical services to low income patients at no or reduced cost.
- Assisting patients with their insurance premiums, thus promoting medication adherence and continuous treatment.
- Personnel include trained HIV Nurse Practitioner, Medical Director and a patient ambassador to support patients.

Nashville CARES is excited to make this clinic a reality in partnership with Positively Living & Choice Health Network in Knoxville, Tennessee.

“Since opening our Choice Health Network medical clinic in 2018,” says Steve Jenkins, CEO of Positively Living & Choice Health Network. “Positively Living has been on the lookout for robust, like-minded organizations who share our values and vision for expanding access to inclusive, trauma-informed healthcare. Nashville CARES is a perfect partner and we are incredibly excited for the opportunity to work with them. We look forward to supporting their success in providing preventative and life-saving medication and medical services to Middle Tennessee’s most vulnerable residents.”



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About Nashville CARES:

Nashville CARES is Tennessee’s largest HIV/AIDS service organization.

Our Mission: Nashville CARES mission is to end the HIV/AIDS epidemic in Middle Tennessee. We work to achieve this through education, advocacy and support for those at risk for or living with HIV.

Our **vision** is a community where HIV infections are rare, and when they do occur, everyone with HIV/AIDS has access to the care, treatment and support to achieve optimal health and self-sufficiency without stigma or discrimination.

Last year Nashville CARES served more than 50,000 Middle Tennesseans infected and affected by HIV/AIDS including: HIV prevention education to more than 29,000 youth and adults, more than 10,000 FREE confidential HIV tests, and essential support services to 3,400 men, women and children living with the disease. To learn more, visit us at NashvilleCARES.org and follow us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/nashvillecares), [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/nashvillecares) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/nashvillecares).

About My House:

Our Mission: My House is the go-to place for health, wellness and community for Same Gender Loving Men.

Our **vision** is to bring love, compassion and support for the Same Gender Loving (SGL) male community to become self-sufficient by prioritizing health, wellness and a sense of individual value by providing a one stop shop Health & Wellness Community Center for Same Gender Loving Men of Color and Gay/Bisexual Men.

To learn more, visit us at MyHouseNashville.org and follow us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/myhousenashville) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/myhousenashville).

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