



## News Release

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### **Community Health Center of Cape Cod Opens Office in Bourne**

Mashpee – Community Health Center of Cape Cod has opened its third site, in Bourne. The new office is located at 123 Waterhouse Road, off MacArthur Boulevard. The approximately 2,000 square foot office, in the new Paesano Place building, has the capacity for five exam rooms, a mental health counseling room and small lab drawing station. The Health Center expects to provide 4,000 patient visits a year at the Bourne site.

According to Chief Executive Officer Karen Gardner, the ongoing shortage of primary care physicians has significantly impacted the town of Bourne. “The need for consistent, comprehensive primary and preventive services is evident,” she says. “We’re looking forward to providing services and becoming a part of the Bourne community.”

Adult patients are now being seen at the new Bourne location. The Health Center, which also has offices in Falmouth and Mashpee, accepts patients with MassHealth, Medicare, Commonwealth Care, private insurance or no insurance at all. Pediatric patients are seen in the Falmouth and Mashpee offices. For those without health insurance, the Health Center’s enrollment specialist will review eligibility guidelines and help them complete the online applications for MassHealth or Commonwealth Care. It takes about 30 minutes and applicants receive a response in the mail within 10 to 14 days.

With the opening of the Bourne office, residents of Bourne have access to primary and mental health services five days a week. As patients of the Health Center, they will also be able to receive specialty services such as case management for chronic disease, prescription assistance, and women’s and men’s cancer screening services. Eligible patients will be able to utilize the dental clinic in Mashpee.

The Town of Bourne has been designated by the federal government as a Medically Underserved Area. This designation is applied only when a region meets certain criteria pertaining to ratio of primary care clinicians, infant mortality rate, percentage of population below the federal poverty level, and percentage of population age 65 and above.

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For more information about the Bourne office of Community Health Center of Cape Cod or to make an appointment, call 508 477-7090.

*Community Health Center of Cape Cod is a non-profit Federally Qualified Health Center that provides access to health care for adults and children with MassHealth, Commonwealth Care, Medicare, private insurance, or no insurance at all. Services include primary and preventive care, dental care, behavioral health, coordinated case management, and prescription assistance, at locations in Falmouth, Mashpee and Bourne. Visit the Health Center online at [chcofcapecod.org](http://chcofcapecod.org)*