

## MOM AND BABY MOBILE HEALTH CENTER FACTS

- The three Mobile Health Centers plan to serve communities in New Orleans and other areas affected by Hurricane Katrina. They were funded with a \$3 million grant from the People of Qatar.
- Walk-ins will be accepted.
- The vehicles will be staffed by the Daughters of Charity Services of New Orleans (DCSNO) and partner agencies of the Partnership for Access to Health Care (PATH).
- They will have a fixed and consistent schedule at the same locations each week so services will be dependable and expected. As providers return to the communities the health centers will adapt their routes and schedules to meeting the changing needs.
- The mobile centers look like a regular healthcare provider's office and will be wheel chair accessible. Each will be equipped with:
  - Two private exam areas with tables for adults and infants
  - Waiting/Intake areas.
  - Nurses' station
  - An area to draw blood with privacy curtains
  - Fetal monitors
  - Ultrasound machines
  - Separate refrigerators for vaccines and specimens
  - Centrifuge
  - Stadiometer
  - Adult and infant scale
  - Blood analyzer for glucose and hemoglobin
  - Computer workstations in all three areas
  - Bathroom
  - Backup generator.
- Staff will include: An obstetrician, nurse practitioner or midwife, a nurse, lab technician and an outreach worker. At least one will be bi-lingual. The Mobile Health Centers are expected to provide more than 15,000 visits over three years.

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