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Seventh Annual Community Wellness Fair in Marquette Park

What? The Greater Lawn Community Wellness Fair: Window to Wellness includes more than 60 local health care providers and community social service agencies offering:

- Free health screenings, including: diabetes, cholesterol and blood pressure
- Free flu shots and childhood immunizations
- Free physicals
- Educational and community resource information
- Raffles and children's activities
- Workshops including diabetes prevention, breast and cervical cancer screening, and Medicare Part D
- Information on the IPRC diabetes intervention study, Making the Connection Healthy Living Program

When? Friday, November 2, 2007
10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Where? Marquette Park Fieldhouse
6734 S. Kedzie, Chicago (Southwest corner of 67th and Kedzie)

Registration/Cost: The Fair is open and free to the public

Who? Sponsoring this event are: Illinois Prevention Research Center at the University of Illinois at Chicago and Latino Organization of the Southwest (LOS), along with Aetna, American Diabetes Association, BlueCross BlueShield, Chicago Park District, and Holy Cross Hospital.

Why now? November is National Diabetes Awareness Month. An estimated 21 million people in the United States have diabetes, and almost a third are undiagnosed. Another 41 million people are at high risk for developing diabetes. Those at risk should know that the disease is preventable.

NOTE: Media interested in attending the health fair are welcome. There will be opportunities for pictures and interviews.

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