



# Central Michigan District Health Department

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**RE: CMDHD Announces Grand Opening of BlueJay Wellness Center**

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### **CMDHD Announces Grand Opening of BlueJay Wellness Center in Shepherd**

Central Michigan District Health Department (CMDHD) is excited to announce the grand opening of **BlueJay Wellness Center**, a new school-based health center focused on supporting local children and adolescents. The celebration will be held on **Monday, April 21, 2025**, from **4:00 to 5:00 p.m.** at **238 South Chippewa Street, Shepherd.**

The event will include a ribbon-cutting ceremony and feature remarks from keynote speaker Matthew Showalter, President of the Board of Trustees for the Mt. Pleasant Area Community Foundation, followed by light refreshments.

“BlueJay Wellness Center is an exciting new addition to our wide range of services,” said Dr. Jennifer Morse, CMDHD Medical Director. “Students with access to school-based healthcare are not only more likely to get the healthcare they need, but they also miss less school and show better academic outcomes than students without it.”

BlueJay Wellness Center provides medical and mental health care for children, teens, and young adults ages 3 to 21 in the Shepherd School District. Services include check-ups, vision and hearing tests, vaccinations, treatment for illnesses, health education, and mental health care. Insurance may be billed when available, but no one will be denied services due to lack of insurance or ability to pay. Staff can also help families sign up for Medicaid.

For more information, visit <https://www.cmdhd.org/bluejaywellnesscenter>. To schedule an appointment, call **989-567-9034**.

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