



1020 Washington St. N, Twin Falls, Idaho
208-737-5900 www.phd5.idaho.gov

May 8, 2012

PRESS RELEASE-For Immediate Release

Contact: Cheryle Becker, Public Health Division Administrator, 737-5936

SCPHD Offering Free Health Checks for Qualifying Women

TWIN FALLS- Women's Health Check is a breast and cervical cancer screening program providing mammogram, clinical breast exam, and/or Pap test for women who have no other resources for annual screening or needed diagnostic tests and meet the eligibility requirements. South Central Public Health District (SCPHD) currently administers this program in the eight counties of south-central Idaho.

SCPHD was recently awarded extra funding for women to receive screenings **before June 29, 2012**. Women must meet eligibility requirements and be enrolled through SCPHD. Screening services are provided by local contracting healthcare providers. The following are **routine eligibility** requirements:

- Low Income (see table below).
- No health insurance coverage for Pap tests or mammograms.
- Women aged **50-65** qualify for a Pap test, clinical breast exam, and mammogram.
- Women aged **40-49** qualify only for a Pap test.
- Women aged 65 or older (NOT eligible for Medicare or do not have Medicare Part B) qualify for a Pap test, clinical breast exam, and mammogram.

Limited enrollment and services available for uninsured women who meet these additional criteria:

- Age **30-49** and have symptoms suspicious of breast cancer confirmed by a health care professional (prior to enrollment).

- Age **30-39** and have symptoms suspicious of cervical cancer confirmed by a health care professional (prior to enrollment).

Income guidelines

Persons in Family Unit	Annual	Monthly
1	\$22,340	\$1,862
2	\$30,260	\$2,522
3	\$38,180	\$3,182
4	\$46,100	\$3,842
5	\$54,020	\$4,502
6	\$61,940	\$5,162
7	\$69,860	\$5,822
8	\$77,780	\$6,482
For each additional person, add	\$7,920	\$660

SOURCE: Federal Register, January 26, 2012, pp.4034-4035

For more information and/or to enroll in the program, please call Nancy at 737-5935 (Hablamos Espanol 737-5970). For more information on the services of the South Central Public Health District and office locations, please visit www.phd5.idaho.gov .

###