

Home State Health Launches First Foster Care Center of Excellence in Partnership with Jordan Valley Community Health Center - Oct 8, 2025

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 8, 2025 /PRNewswire/ -- Home State Health is proud to announce its first **Foster Care Center of Excellence (FCCoE)**, in collaboration with **Jordan Valley Community Health Center**, marking a significant milestone in the organization's commitment to improving the health outcomes and well-being of children and youth in Missouri's foster care system.

This new Center of Excellence, located in Springfield, is designed to deliver trauma-informed, comprehensive, and coordinated care for children in foster care. As part of a statewide initiative, this partnership aligns with Home State Health's mission to transform the health of the community, one person at a time, by addressing the unique needs of this vulnerable population.

"The Foster Care Center of Excellence at Jordan Valley is a true community collaboration focused on ensuring children in foster care receive the holistic, compassionate care they deserve," said **Shawn Furey, Interim President and CEO of Home State Health**. "We are honored to expand our foster care partnership with Jordan Valley Community Health Center, whose commitment to underserved populations is deeply aligned with our mission."

The FCCoE provides:

- **A "one-stop shop," working closely with caseworkers and families to quickly connect children and youth to behavioral health, physical health, vision and dental services**
- **Free health exams and completion of a required form by placement providers to obtain a foster care license**
- **Prioritizes children and youth's 72-hour and 30-day well child exams to meet required deadlines for children in foster care**
- **Participating in a pilot program to provide transitional services for youth who are stepping down from high acuity settings, with a goal to prevent readmission**
- **Dedicated trauma-informed staff including community health workers to assist in care planning, coordination, and support services for families and case workers**

Jordan Valley Community Health Center, a recognized leader in delivering high-quality, accessible care, brings decades of experience working with vulnerable children and families. Jordan Valley consistently outperforms national standards and averages in HEDIS rates, behavioral health follow-ups after hospitalizations.

"At Jordan Valley, we believe every child deserves a chance to thrive," said **Dr. Matthew Stinson, President and CEO Jordan Valley Community Health Center**. "By partnering with Home State Health, we can better support children in foster care through consistent, compassionate care and a team approach."

The establishment of the FCCoE is part of a broader statewide strategy to improve care coordination, increase access to services, and promote long-term wellness for children in the foster care system.

About Home State Health

Home State Health is a managed care organization dedicated to providing quality healthcare through a range of health solutions for Missouri residents. Serving Medicaid and foster care populations, Home State Health is committed to transforming community health through integrated, member-centered care.

About Jordan Valley Community Health Center

Jordan Valley Community Health Center is a federally qualified health center (FQHC) that provides affordable, high-quality medical, dental, and behavioral health services. Serving southwest Missouri, Jordan Valley is dedicated to improving the health of the communities it serves, especially vulnerable populations including children in foster care.

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