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Peak Vista Community Health Centers Expands Operations to Continue Meeting Health Care Needs

Colorado Springs, Colo. – Community Health Centers (CHC's) play a critical role in the nationwide response to Coronavirus (COVID-19). Peak Vista Community Health Centers (Peak Vista) continues to do our part to provide health care access for the Pikes Peak and East Central regions.

"In this time of confusion, there is hope and we are here to help," comments President and CEO, Pam McManus. "Peak Vista's commitment has never been stronger, and our staff are dedicated to providing health care to our communities." "We commend our staff, and the many other community providers, who have worked tirelessly to be able to provide this critically needed testing and treatment for COVID-19 patients."

To ensure that patients have access to necessary care, Peak Vista has extended services to include medical and behavioral health 'telecare'. Patients are now able to schedule a 'telecare' appointment to address anything concerns by phone, all from the comfort of their own home.

The addition of telecare behavioral health is crucial during this time for patients dealing with anxiety and worry related to the COVID-19 outbreak. "We have seen an influx in anxiety within the community during the rise of COVID-19," explains Vice President of Behavioral Health, Sherri Sharp, PhD. "Mental Health is a significant part of our overall health and it should not be dismissed simply as "worry" or "sadness" that will pass on its own. We urge individuals who are feeling distressed to schedule a behavioral health appointment to work through this together. You are not alone! Peak Vista will continue to support you."

Peak Vista remains open for in-person medical and dental care, as well. "We feel it is our responsibility and our mission to share our expertise and contribute however we can in to support patients during the pandemic," comments Chief Medical and Dental Officer, Lisa Ramey, DO.

For appointments, patients may call (719) 632-5700 and the Peak Vista team will help establish the appropriate appointment, telephone or in-person, based on the patient's needs.

About Peak Vista Community Health Centers

Peak Vista Community Health Centers is a nonprofit organization providing exceptional health care to people facing access barriers through clinical programs and education. Established in 1971, Peak Vista offers primary medical, integrated behavioral health, and dental care services. We proudly serve over 94,000 patients annually through 27 outpatient centers in Colorado's Pikes Peak and East Central regions. To learn more about Peak Vista, visit peakvista.org.

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