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NH Healthy Families Addresses Food Insecurity With New Initiative: Green to Go

Bedford, NH – NH Healthy Families, a leading NH Health Plan serving Medicaid and Marketplace members recently introduced its newest initiative, *Green to Go*. The program is a mobile pantry offering fresh fruits and vegetables, along with nutrition and diabetes prevention education to low-income, low-accessibility communities in the Granite State.

Green to Go is offered through the NH Healthy Families Gateway Services program. Gateway Services identify social services care gaps, and build access to supports for New Hampshire communities at no cost.

The Green to Go van was recently stationed at Coos County Family Health Services in Berlin, NH. Certified clinicians from both Coos County Family Health Services and NH Healthy Families were on hand to provide fresh produce, nutrition education, recipes, and resources to more than 160 people.

"Food insecurity is one of the major issues facing New Hampshire," said Caroline Vitiello, NH Healthy Families' Senior Vice President of Medical Management. "Access to fresh produce can be a challenge for rural communities, which can translate to poor health outcomes. With the help of strong partners like Coos County Family Health Services, NH Healthy Families will continue to provide these direct supports to communities throughout 2020."

"Our organization is honored to work with NH Healthy Families to ensure that no one goes hungry in our community," said Ken Gordon, Chief Executive Officer, Coos County Family Health Services. "We appreciate both the innovative thinking that NH Healthy Families staff brings to their work, and their efforts to improve the health of North Country residents."



NH Healthy Families will bring its Green to Go van, clinical experts and resources to Bessie Rowell Community Center in Franklin, NH on November 1 from 12N - 2:00 p.m.

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