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Women's Health Connection Provides Free Mammograms and Pap Tests

(Las Vegas, Nev. – February 1, 2000) – The Women's Health Connection, a breast and cervical cancer early detection program, and the Clark County Health District's (CCHD) Family Planning department will be providing free mammograms and pap smears to women who meet the qualification guidelines on February 14 – 16, 2000.

A mobile unit will be stationed at CCHD's main office located at 625 Shadow Lane from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Women over the age of 50 can receive a free mammogram and women over the age of 40 can receive a free pap smear if they meet the financial guidelines. The first 35 women who arrive each day will be guaranteed services.

A mammogram is an x-ray picture of the breast that can find breast cancer that is too small to feel. The American Cancer Society recommends that women over 40 be screened on an annual basis. Pap tests are a way to look at cells from the cervix and vagina and can be used to detect cervical cancer in the early stages, when it is easier to cure.

For more information on these services contact the Women's Health Connection at (702) 798-1164 or the Family Planning department of CCHD at (702) 383-1375.

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