



Dear Parents/Guardians:

We are pleased to provide you with information on the SIU CARE-A-VAN, the mobile based health clinic located at Anna Jonesboro High School, Project ECHO and West Frankfort High School. The SIU Carbondale Family Medicine Residency Program has worked closely with Anna Jonesboro, Project ECHO and West Frankfort to develop a comprehensive medical program to provide primary health care and mental health services to keep teens healthy and in school. The CARE-A-VAN is funded through the Illinois Department of Public Health.

In order for your child to access the services of the CARE-A-VAN, please complete the registration and sign the insurance form which will allow the clinic to bill your insurance company for services. Clinic registration and insurance forms can be returned at registration, to the Care-A-Van or school office. Once you have registered, additional information will be mailed to your home.

The following are issues parents have asked about CARE-A-VAN services:

- Health care services include care for acute and chronic health conditions, school and sports physicals, sports and other minor injuries, and prescription medications will be available for all students and staff in Anna Jonesboro, Project ECHO and West Frankfort High School.
- Medical services will be billed to private and state insurance plans. Co-payments will be billed to families at home. No money will be required (or accepted) at time of services.
- For those families without insurance, the clinic staff will provide applications for State of Illinois All Kids Health Insurance Programs.
- Parents/guardians are responsible for fees not covered by either private or state insurance plans.
- Counseling services provided by a licensed clinical social worker will be available only to high school students and their families at West Frankfort High School and Project ECHO.
- The CARE-A-VAN will be parked at Anna Jonesboro, Project ECHO and West Frankfort High School
- Communication with primary care physicians is available upon written request.
- Additional applications for services are available at Anna Jonesboro, Project ECHO and West Frankfort High School.
- When students need medical services that are not available on the CARE-A-VAN (i.e. x-rays, lab work, or medical specialists) a list of referral options will be offered to students and their families.
- Additional questions can be addressed by calling the Care-A-Van staff (618) 218-7967.

SIU Family Medicine Carbondale and SIU Care A Van Leadership