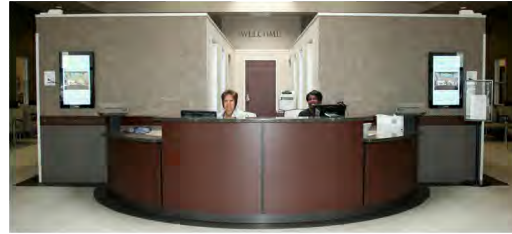




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**Photo – Welcome Center:** Patients at the new Coastal Health and Wellness clinic are greeted at the Welcome Center by Welcome Center Specialist (L) Angela Villareal and clinic volunteer (R) Elaine Boss.

**Photo – CHW Entrance:** The new Coastal Health and Wellness clinic at 9850-C Emmett F. Lowry Expressway in Texas City.



## **Coastal Health & Wellness to Host Open House**

**Galveston County and Cities –** Coastal Health and Wellness (CHW) will be hosting an open house at their new clinic facility in the Mid-County Annex located at 9850-C Emmett F. Lowry Expressway in Texas City on August 8 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The open house is being held to coincide with National Health Center week annually conducted the second week of August. The observance recognizes the contributions of community health centers such as Coastal Health & Wellness.

During the open house visitors will be able to tour the new clinic, meet CHW professional staff, view wellness displays, enjoy refreshments and get a goodie bag. For visiting children there will be balloons and face painting.

Coastal Health and Wellness is a Federally Qualified Community Health Center operated by the Galveston County Health District. The clinic employs medical and dental providers that provide high quality care. The clinic is accredited by the Joint Commission which is a nationally recognized symbol of quality that reflects an organizations commitment to meeting certain performance standards.

CHW productivity exceeds state and national averages when compared to other community health centers. They provide care at a lower cost than others, a benefit allowing them to serve many patients as efficiently as possible.

Coastal Health and Wellness accepts many major insurance plans, offers same day appointments and discounted rates for eligible uninsured residents. Services provided at Coastal Health & Wellness include primary care, pediatrics, counseling and dental care.

For appointments in the clinic call (409) 938-2234 or (281) 309-0255. More information on clinic locations and services can be found at [www.coastalHW.org](http://www.coastalHW.org).

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