

## ***Claris Health Brings Health Care to LA's Most Vulnerable Neighborhoods with Mobile Clinic***

*Clinic to Debut at Claris' Annual Fundraising Gala, City Lights*

**Los Angeles, California – October XX, 2019**, [Claris Health](#), a community-based agency serving Los Angeles since 1976, announced today the launch of its mobile clinic that offers free pregnancy testing, early prenatal services, STD testing, general health screenings, and social service referrals for hard-to-reach communities.

This custom mobile clinic will visit 27 sites each month throughout Los Angeles County. These locations are known for limited access to health care. The mobile clinic will be premiering at Claris' annual fundraising gala on Saturday October 19, 2019 at the Skirball Cultural Center.

Claris Health has been providing on-site services for the past three years in the form of monthly visits by a team of medical professionals. During this time, the need for more comprehensive services for the community became clear. This mobile unit allows Claris to provide even more services to those sections of the city which need them the most.

"As someone who once witnessed Claris' transformative care as a patient, I'm now privileged to spearhead this organization for the last eighteen years. Our latest calling is to bring these life-changing services into some of LA's most deserving communities. With this mobile clinic, we can eliminate barriers and go directly to where the need is: to homeless shelters, substance abuse treatment sites, housing projects, food pantries, and more," Talitha Phillips, CEO of Claris Health

Claris Health's mission is to equip and care for women and their families before, during, and after pregnancy and sexual health choices. Patients who come to Claris are provided with information regarding pregnancy options and ongoing support through direct services and a network of over 200 committed community partners. Free and low-cost services include medical care, education, support, and community resources. Claris continues to expand their scope of services while implementing innovative, evidence-based programs that respond to overall individual and community health needs.

"Shields for Families is very excited for the mobile unit. Healthcare is an important part of our treatment model, and we work diligently to incorporate health into all elements of treatment. The mobile unit will allow direct access to health care and allow us to assist all of our families with developing skills to ensure health care and routine check-ups become a regular practice in their lives. We look forward to our continued partnership and seeing all of our families take advantage of this amazing opportunity!" Danielle Lowe, Youth Services Director, Shields for Families.

Shields for Families is the first clinical site the mobile clinic will service this month. Additional community partners for this initiative include: Dream Center Los Angeles;

Allies for Every Child, St. Margaret's Center, PATH, YWCA Sexual Assault Services and more.

For more information on the mobile clinic and Claris Health services visit: visit [clarishealth.org/mobile](http://clarishealth.org/mobile)

**About Claris Health:**

Claris Health is a Los Angeles based 501(c)3 organization that equips and cares for women and men facing an unintended pregnancy or other sexual health issues. We provide free or low cost medical, support, therapy, parenting and educational services to women, men and families with children under the age of five.

Clients, community partners and local political figures have all acknowledged our success in helping to break the cycle of unintended pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), while encouraging healthy and hopeful futures. In the words of a past patient, "You help people make choices they can live with."

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