

**October 2, 2018**

## **Free screenings planned during Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

MOBILE, Alabama — October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, which is an annual campaign to increase awareness of the disease. While most people are aware of breast cancer, many forget to take the steps to have a plan to detect the disease in its early stages and encourage others to do the same.

Family Health, the primary care division of the Mobile County Health Department, will join with the American Cancer Society and area Walmart locations to provide free clinical breast exams during the month. The screenings will take place inside the Family Health's Mobile Medical Unit, a customized RV complete with two exam rooms.

The free clinical breast exams will be provided at the following locations:

- **Thursday, October 4**, Walmart Store #866 at 5245 Rangeline Service Road South in Tillman's Corner, 10 a.m. to noon.
- **Friday, October 12**, Walmart Store #5174 at 7855 Moffett Road in Semmes, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- **Thursday, October 18**, Walmart Store #1212 at 1095 Industrial Parkway in Saraland, 10 a.m. to noon.

Family Health also participates in the Alabama Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program (ABCCEDP) program that provides free breast and cervical cancer screenings for women who meet eligibility guidelines. Free services include a pelvic exam, pap smear, clinical breast exam, mammogram, and diagnostic services such as an ultrasound, colposcopy, or biopsy, if needed.

For more information on Family Health locations, please visit <http://familyhealthalabama.org>.