Dr. Roberto Cardarelli Seeing Patients in Aledo, Texas

Dr. Roberto Cardarelli, DO, MPH, FAAFP, Director of Research, PCRI, is now seeing patients at the new Lone Star Medical Plaza in Aledo, Texas. This new facility provides primary care and urgent care in the Aledo, Texas area.



The spacious clinic offers primary care physicians who specialize in family practice, internal medicine and pediatrics; on-site lab, x-ray services and more. Lone Star Medical Plaza is backed by the resources of Weatherford Regional Medical Center and is located in the Willow Park area, 5700 E. Interstate 20, Service Road South, Aledo, Texas 76008.

Dr. Cardarelli serves as the one of several primary care physicians and is Medical Director of Lone Star Medical Plaza. The clinic, phone 817-441-1441 is open Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Lone Star Express Care—urgent care clinic is open Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and on Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. Phone: 817-489-7400.



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Texas Prevention Institute (TPI) Approved by UNTHSC Research Advisory Council

The Research Advisory County (RAC) at UNTHSC recently approved a proposal presented by Dr. Mark DeHaven, Director, PCRI seeking to establish the Texas Prevention Institute (TPI) which will function as a core facility for supporting, developing, and improving research and training programs directed at reducing the burden of chronic disease in underserved communities. The TPI will implement community engagement, health promotion, comparative effectiveness, clinical, basic science, and health policy research approaches, for the purpose of preventing diseases among high-risk populations. It will be purposefully directed at developing a broad funding base drawing from federal, foundation (local, regional, and national), and philanthropic sources, directed at addressing the health needs of the underserved.

The TPI will integrate the activities and resources (human and physical) of three existing UNTHSC institutes: the Center for Community Health (CCH), Primary Care Research Institute (PCRI), and the Texas Center for Health Disparities (TCHD). By integrating these three institutes, a translational prevention research continuum combiningg community, clinical, and basic science components may be achieved.

The TPI will make significant contributions to translational research in several methods which include:

A. Enhance the ability to successfully compete for federal research and training program grants;

B. Develop a rich portfolio of federal funding through a broad range of NIH institutes and centers, the CDC, and the AHRQ; *(continued page 5)*

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