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## **Health Department Provides Kindergarten Physicals**

FAYETTEVILLE – The Cumberland County Department of Public Health Child Health Clinic provides physicals for children entering kindergarten. North Carolina law requires any child entering kindergarten to get a physical. The Health Department encourages parents to get their child's physical early.

A walk-in clinic for physicals will be held May 17 and May 31 beginning at 1 p.m. until the clinic closes that evening. Due to the amount of time required for physicals, all patients must be signed in by 5:15 p.m. This clinic provides physicals to students who are new to the North Carolina public school system.

Medicaid, private insurance or self-pay are acceptable forms of payment. Fees for service are based on family size and income. For appointments, call 910-433-3600, extension 1.

In addition to physicals, the Child Health Clinic provides medical screening services for children from birth to 18 years of age. Services include primary care, physical examinations (includes developmental screening), dental varnishing, hearing screening, vision screening, laboratory screening, preventive education and nutritional counseling.

The Health Department is located at 1235 Ramsey St., The Child Health Clinic is on the first floor. For more information, call 910-433-3600 or go to co.cumberland.nc.us/health.

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