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VALLEY HEALTH – FORT GAY TO LAUNCH URGENT CARE SERVICES

Huntington, W. Va. – Valley Health is pleased to announce that its Fort Gay health center will expand its service offerings to include urgent care on select days beginning Friday, September 18.

Staffed under the direction of Carlton Herald, DO, patients may walk in without an appointment to receive consultation and treatment for minor illnesses and injuries Wednesday through Friday from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Patient wait times will be minimal.

“Care when you need it most is what we intend to deliver to Wayne County, WV and Louisa, KY area residents,” noted Valley Health chief executive officer, Steve Shattls. “Providing urgent care at our Fort Gay center introduces a viable healthcare option that is considerably more convenient and less expensive for patients than a hospital emergency room.”

The Fort Gay urgent care will be equipped to treat patients of all ages for conditions that include colds, flu, fever, respiratory infections and minor injuries requiring sutures. Sports physicals, flu shots and other preventive services will also be available.

In addition to meeting patients’ after hours health needs, Valley Health – Fort Gay also delivers family medicine, internal medicine, OB/GYN, pediatric and dental care on weekdays with a staff of qualified and experienced providers.

Valley Health – Fort Gay is located at 3329 Bridge Street in Fort Gay, WV. For more information, or to make an appointment during regular business hours with a Valley Health – Fort Gay healthcare provider, call (304) 648-5544. Information about Valley Health is also available at www.valleyhealth.org.

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Valley Health is an integrated network of 28 primary health care centers and public health programs in southwestern West Virginia and southern Ohio that serves more than 68,000 patients each year. The Valley Health medical staff includes doctors, dentists, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses and midwives. Valley Health centers offer services including family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, OB/GYN, dentistry, psychiatry, pharmacy services, laboratory services, X-rays and ultrasounds. For more information about Valley Health, contact Lanie Masilamani, health care administrator, at 304-525-3334 or visit www.valleyhealth.org.