



# IBN SINA FOUNDATION

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## 100,000 Ibn Sina Foundation Patient to Receive Discounted Healthcare for 1 Year!

*Since 2001, Ibn Sina Foundation has provided healthcare to the uninsured  
Will treat 100,000<sup>th</sup> patient in April 2009*

Since its inception in 2001, the healthcare providers at Ibn Sina Foundation have provided medical and dental care to over 100,000 uninsured, underinsured and indigent patients from all areas of Harris County and Fort Bend County. **The 100,000<sup>th</sup> patient; Ms. Christiana Ogunde arrived on Thursday April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 4:10 pm. To celebrate this milestone, Ibn Sina Foundation had offer Ms. Ogunde patient Discounted Health Care Program membership for 1 year.** Ibn Sina Foundation expanded Southwest Community Medical Center, built in 2007 with funding from Houston's philanthropic community and the City of Houston, is state-of-the-art and offers uninsured patients access to the same specialty medicine clinics as insurance patients utilize, the 100,000<sup>th</sup> patient will have a rare opportunity to access the following specialty medicine clinics: cardiovascular disease prevention and treatment; diabetes prevention and management; well-baby and well-mother; ophthalmology; gastroenterology; dentistry including prevention and treatment; minor trauma care; and orthopedics. The clinic also offers primary care services for prevention and treatment.

Ibn Sina Foundation's Southwest Houston Medical Center is unique: Not only does this center provide Houston's uninsured and indigent families with the same quality of specialty medicine, dentistry and primary care that insured patients often receive, Ibn Sina Foundation, through a generous community support, Ibn Sina was able to extend its after hour services, five days per week, we are now open from 9:00 am to 9:00 pm. Monday to Friday and Saturday 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. As well, Ibn Sina Foundation clinics have provided reduced fee or discounted care to special patient groups over the years that include Hurricane Katrina and Rita families, and most recently, Hurricane Ike affected families.

The Ibn Sina Foundation was established in 2001 by a group of local physicians, business, and health care professionals to bridge the growing gap between the health care needs of a rapidly expanding population of underserved families, and the ability of existing public institutions to meet their needs. The Foundation's mission is to ensure the health of the community by providing integrated preventive and primary care in a clinical setting through the dissemination and application of health related knowledge, thereby enhancing the quality of life for future generations. The first Ibn Sina Community Medical Clinic was established in Southwest Houston in 2001. Even though the clinic was designed to specifically focus on Southwest Houston, patients now arrive from all parts of the city. The second Ibn Sina Community Medical Clinic was established in 2004 in Southeast Houston/Clear Lake.

We extend our sincere thanks to all philanthropic foundations, City of Houston & individuals for their continuous support and guidance.

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