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**URGENT CARE CENTERS IN THE EAST VALLEY INTRODUCE NEW
PAYMENT PACKAGES**

GILBERT, Ariz. (Feb. 25, 2010) - CHW Urgent Care Centers in Ahwatukee, Gilbert and Queen Creek, members of Catholic Healthcare West (CHW), are offering new personal pay packages for uninsured patients.

The new personal pay packages available to uninsured patients at CHW Urgent Care Centers will be discounted to \$150 for visits without a procedure and \$250 for visits with a procedure. Small volume nebulizer (breathing treatment), intravenous fluids, electrocardiogram and laceration repair with sutures are considered procedures. Also included in the fee is medicine, lab work and x-rays. When X-rays are required, an additional radiology read fee of approximately \$20 will be billed separately at a later date.

To meet the needs of the community, CHW Urgent Care Centers have also expanded their program for camp, school and sports physicals. The new rate will be \$25 and for physicals that require X-rays the cost is \$150. No appointment is needed.

“CHW’s mission is to make sure people seek healthcare they need in a timely manner,” said Jean Dorame, R.N., site director of CHW Urgent Care in Ahwatukee. “In this tough economy, we are happy to offer options to people without insurance.”

Both of these new programs require that the patient pay with cash, check or charge at the time of service. If they do not, the prices revert back to the normal charges. However, all financial assistance programs are still available.

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CHW Urgent Care Centers are unique because every patient is evaluated by both a registered nurse and a board-certified doctor. Hours of operation for each facility are from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. every day of the week, including holidays. CHW Urgent Care centers have x-ray and laboratory capabilities on-site to provide a more inclusive care environment.

For more information about our services or about the new payment options go to www.CHWUrgentCare.org or call **any of our facilities:**

CHW Urgent Care in Ahwatukee

480.728.4000

4545 E. Chandler Boulevard

(southeast corner of 46th Street and Chandler Boulevard)

CHW Urgent Care in Gilbert

480.728.4100

1501 N. Gilbert Road

(Gilbert Road south of Baseline Road)

CHW Urgent Care in Queen Creek

480.728.6000

7205 S. Power Road

(Power Road south of Pecos Road)

About Catholic Healthcare West

Catholic Healthcare West (CHW), headquartered in San Francisco, Calif., is a system of 41 hospitals and medical centers in California, Arizona, and Nevada. Founded in 1986, it is one of the nation's largest not-for-profit health care systems and the largest private hospital system in California. CHW is committed to delivering compassionate, high-quality, affordable health care services with special attention to the poor and underserved. The CHW network of nearly 10,000 physicians and approximately 54,000 employees provides health care services to more than five million people annually. In 2009, CHW provided nearly \$1.2 billion in charity care, community benefit, and unreimbursed patient care. For more information, please visit our website at www.chwHEALTH.org. CHW facilities in Arizona include Chandler Regional Medical Center, Mercy Gilbert Medical Center, St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center and Barrow Neurological Institute, CHW Urgent Cares in Ahwatukee, Gilbert and Queen Creek, Warner Outpatient Surgery and the Arizona Orthopedic Surgical Hospital. For more information, please visit our Web site at www.chwHEALTH.org.

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