

Zufall Health Center awarded \$817,000 in federal funds for new facility in Hackettstown

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The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has awarded \$817,000 to New Jersey's Zufall Health Center to open a new satellite facility in Hackettstown to provide free or low-cost health care services to low-income community members, according to a press release issued Aug. 10 by U.S. Senators Frank R. Lautenberg and Robert Menendez.

The funding was made available through the Health Care Reform Law.

Zufall Health Center provides primary care medical, dental, mental health and substance abuse services for residents in the surrounding area. Zufall estimates the new facility will serve more than 3,400 new patients in its first year of operation.

"All New Jerseyans should have access to quality health care services, and the Zufall Health Center does important work to reach many of our state's underserved communities," Lautenberg said. "This federal funding will allow the Zufall Center to remove barriers to affordable care for thousands of New Jerseyans. The health reform law is helping level the playing field and make quality care attainable for all Americans, and this funding takes an important step in that direction."

"The Zufall Health Center is a critical resource for our low income communities, and with this funding, thousands of New Jerseyans will now have access to an affordable, high quality health care facility," Menendez said. "This is one more example of the positive impact the Health Care Reform law is having in meeting the health care needs of our families. When we invest in the health of our families, we invest in the well being of our communities."