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UNL BARKLEY CENTER TO BEGIN OFFERING HEARING SCREENINGS AT CLINIC WITH A HEART

University of Nebraska-Lincoln students from the Division of Communications Disorders will begin offering hearing screenings at Clinic with a Heart on the third Thursday of each month. The first screening clinic will be Thursday, Oct. 20 beginning at 5:30 p.m. Students will be supervised by faculty from the Audiology Program. Dr. Kelly Wacker, Assistant Professor of Practice in UNL's Department of Special Education and Communication Disorders at Barkley Memorial Center, is mentoring the students in developing this program.

It is estimated that there are 34.5 million individuals, or 11 percent of the U.S. population, who experience hearing loss that can impact communication and quality of life. Students will assist patients in developing a plan to address any issues found during the screening.

"We are thankful for this opportunity to better serve our patients and to help them with another aspect of their overall health," said Teresa Harms, Executive Director.

Clinic with a Heart, at 1701 S. 17th St. Suite 4G, offers free clinics each month on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Doors open at 4. Patients are seen on a walk-in basis, no appointments. Clinics assist individuals without insurance or who are under-insured. Services provided include dental assessment, chiropractic, physical therapy, mental health, hearing screenings and vision screenings and exams. Funding for Clinic with a Heart comes from mission team sponsors, corporate sponsors, individual donors, church grants and events like this.

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