

National Urban League teams' with Walgr'eens

Launching Wellness Tour

Walgreens has joined forces with the National Urban League (NUL) to launch the National Urban League/Walgreens Wellness Tour:

The tour features a customized traveling education and health-screening vehicle which will appear at select NUL affiliates in key urban markets as part of a 12-month national campaign. The tour is slated to begin in the first quarter of 2007.

"The National Urban League is proud to partner with Walgreens to provide these beneficial screenings to our local affiliates and surrounding communities," said Marc H. Morial, NUL president and CEO.

"We know the services we are providing through this tour have the potential to save lives" and we are pleased to offer this opportunity to individuals who otherwise may not have had access to basic health screenings!"

Walgreens, the nation's largest drugstore chain, has more than 50 stores in the region.

"Health screenings can detect disease before any symptoms are noticed, which

is why awareness is the key to living a long and healthy life," said Mark Wagner, executive vice president of store operations for Walgreen Co.

"We're thrilled to partner with the National Urban League to provide resources which will empower Americans in urban communities. to live healthier lives!"

The tour will visit approximately 20 urban markets and will provide free screening services inside the customized,

38-foot bus, which may include: total cholesterol level, blood pressure, bone density, glucose level and body mass index. Visitors to the bus will be invited to participate in the free screenings and receive health information.

The National Urban League/Walgreens Wellness Tour will encourage consumers to act as their own advocates by taking charge of their health and visiting the wellness bus as it stops in their city to offer educational information and free

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Walgreens has joined forces with the National Urban League to launch the National Urban League Walgreens Wellness Tour, featuring a customized traveling education and health-screening vehicle.

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health screenings.

Walgreens also announced it is joining Joslin, an affiliate of Harvard Medical

School, to develop and deliver awareness, wellness, prevention and education programs nationally to reach the estimated 21 million Americans with diabetes and the additional 41 million Americans at risk for the disease. Walgreens also will open a specialty pharmacy on the Joslin Campus under a separate lease arrangement

"Diabetes in America continues, to grow at epidemic proportions, and there are too few endocrinologists to handle that many patients," said Ron Weinert, vice president of patient services for Walgreens Health Services, the managed care division of Walgreen Co.

The alliance will leverage all of

Joslin's expertise in diabetes awareness, prevention and management. This expertise will be applied across Walgreens consumer channels, including its nationwide network of pharmacies, Walgreens.com and Walgreens Health Initiatives (a pharmacy benefit manager).