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**UAMS Celebrates Expansion, New Home  
For UAMS North Central Regional Campus in Batesville**

LITTLE ROCK — The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) today celebrated the expansion and new home for its UAMS North Central Regional Campus and Family Medical Center in a recently remodeled, spacious and up-to-date facility near White River Medical Center in Batesville.

The Family Medical Center at 1993 Harrison Street recently began serving patients from the north central region of Arkansas, which includes the counties of Marion, Baxter, Van Buren, Fulton, Sharp, Izard, Cleburne, Stone, Searcy, Independence and White.

State legislators, local dignitaries, UAMS Chancellor Cam Patterson, M.D., MBA, and UAMS officials were on hand for the ribbon cutting at the \$5.5 million facility that provides space for the new UAMS North Central Regional Campus, its programs and its future growth.

“With the opening of this beautiful facility, UAMS is expanding its presence in Batesville, adding clinical services with a new Family Medical Center and next year, a new residency program,” Patterson said. “This shows that UAMS not only is committed to helping all Arkansans statewide but passionately is committed to expanding that help to improve health care.”

The other seven Regional Campuses are UAMS Northeast in Jonesboro, UAMS Northwest in Fayetteville/Springdale, UAMS South in Magnolia, UAMS South Central in Pine Bluff, UAMS Southwest in Texarkana, UAMS West in Fort Smith and UAMS East in Helena-West Helena.

Other dignitaries at the event included Batesville Mayor Rick Elumbaugh and state Rep. Michelle Gray of Melbourne.

UAMS North Central Regional Campus, a part of the statewide UAMS Regional Campuses since 2007, provides clinical care and health education services and will train

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medical residents in primary care. The UAMS Family Medicine Residency Program in Batesville plans to receive the first residents in July 2019. The program will admit six residents per year until reaching a total of 18 residents in 2021.

“This opening is the crowning achievement resulting from the hard work of our staff, architects, engineers and construction crews as well as our friends at White River Medical Center,” said Sterling Moore, MBA, vice chancellor for Regional Campuses. “The new Family Medical Center will help us reach our patient-centered goals and expand and strengthen our medical education programs.”

The construction was provided by White River Medical Center, and UAMS will lease the property from the medical center.

Two well-established family practice physicians, Jordan Weaver, M.D., and Julia Roulier, M.D., recently moved their practices into the new clinic. Weaver serves as the program director. Roulier also has teaching experience. Both physicians will continue to provide care in the clinic as well as training the next generation of family practice physicians for the region.

With the remodeling of what was previously a retail space, UAMS North Central Regional Campus has about 23,000 square feet of clinic and education space. The new Family Medical Center has 24 exam rooms and multiple areas for team-based care, which includes physicians, nurses, pharmacists and other clinical professionals. The educational building contains multiple conference rooms and educational spaces to allow for community meetings and distance education using interactive video.

UAMS is the state’s only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; northwest Arkansas regional campus; statewide network of regional centers; and six institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging and Translational Research Institute. It is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. UAMS has 2,834 students, 822 medical residents and six dental residents. It is the state’s largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses throughout the state, Arkansas Children’s Hospital, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit [www.uams.edu](http://www.uams.edu) or [www.uamshealth.com](http://www.uamshealth.com). Find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#).

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