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UAMS to Offer Depression Screenings Oct. 11 at No Cost

LITTLE ROCK — The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) will be offering free screenings for depression Oct. 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the UAMS Medical Center lobby gallery for anyone age 18 and older. No registration is necessary.

The screenings are being held in conjunction with National Depression Screening Day. They are sponsored by the UAMS Psychiatric Research Institute and the Arkansas chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Participants who take the short questionnaire and are considered at risk for depression will be referred to local mental health professionals.

Depression affects more than 16.1 million American adults, or about 6.7 percent of the U.S. population age 18 and older in a given year.

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 2,727 students, 822 medical residents and five 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 or www.uamshealth.com. Find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#).

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