Early detection of breast cancer can greatly increase the chance of successful treatment. To make it easier for DHSS employees to be screened for breast cancer, the Worksite Wellness Committee has arranged for the Ellis Fischel Mobile Mammography Van (“mamm van”) to come to the Wildwood campus on Thursday, November 19. The van will be parked in the 920 building parking lot near the stairs leading up to the 912 building.

What is the “mamm van”? The 44-foot long van is a fully inclusive clinic on wheels, featuring an examination room and mammography suite. When you arrive, a kind gentleman will take your information for the tests. The testing staff is comprised of all-females that are certified radiology technologists and nurse examiners who provide the same level of care offered at a freestanding mammography facility. The program is accredited by the American College of Radiology and the Food and Drug Administration.

Eligibility for screening
You can schedule a screening if you:
♦ Are a woman 40 years of age or older
♦ Are a woman under 40 years of age with a family history of breast cancer in a first-degree relative (mother, father, sister, daughter) with a doctor’s order for screening; check with your insurance carrier to determine if the procedure will be covered
♦ Have not had a mammogram within the 12 months preceding
♦ Are not being seen for breast problems - Any woman being followed for breast problems needs to come to Ellis Fischel to be seen
♦ Are not pregnant or breastfeeding

Out of pocket costs
For most, there will be no fee for the screening since mammograms are considered a preventative screening. The cost of the screening will be billed to your insurance. You do not have to have health insurance through MCHCP to be screened.

Making a screening appointment
Appointments will be given in 15-minute intervals starting at 8:15 a.m. The last appointment time is at 3:00 p.m. Please call the Bureau of Community Health and Wellness (CHW) at 573-522-2820 to schedule your screening appointment. A waiting list will be started if needed. If you need to cancel your appointment, please contact CHW as soon as possible. Appointments for the screening will not be accepted after November 10.

Ellis Fischel has requested the following information be collected when you schedule your appointment:
♦ Name/Maiden name
♦ DOB
♦ Address
♦ Phone Number
♦ If you have ever been seen at Ellis Fischel or the Mobile Screening Van

*Please bring your insurance card and a picture ID with you to the screening*

Masks are required before entry onto the van. Patients will be screened upon arrival for temperature and symptoms. Physical distance should be maintained between patients. Only one patient on the van and one patient at check-in is allowed. If you have questions, please contact the Bureau of Community Health and Wellness at 573-522-2820.
This is a DHSS Worksite Wellness Committee sponsored special event, so employees are eligible for one (1) hour of approved leave per the DHSS Administrative Manual, Section 14.3. Employees should ask their supervisor for approval prior to the event.