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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **COUNTY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND LACDMH OPEN 24/7 MENTAL HEALTH URGENT CARE CENTER**

**WHAT:** Los Angeles County Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas and the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH) will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony of the 24/7 Westside Mental Health Urgent Care Center (UCC) in Los Angeles (11444 West Washington Boulevard).

Funded by the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), the brand-new, 4,800 square-foot Westside Mental Health UCC is estimated to serve nearly 5,900 people annually in the surrounding community. Staffed by 36 employees of Exodus Recovery, Inc., the UCC will provide crisis stabilization services, including medication evaluation and management, mental health assessment, crisis intervention and discharge planning.

Visitors will receive services needed for stabilization of urgent healthcare needs. All clients will receive linkage to ongoing services prior to discharge.

**WHO:** Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, Second District  
Robin Kay, Ph.D., Acting Director, Department of Mental Health  
Luana Murphy, MBA, President/CEO Exodus Recovery, Inc.  
Kita Curry, Ph.D., CEO, Didi Hirsch Community Mental Health Center

**WHEN/** **Monday, December 7, 2015, 10:00AM-11:00AM**

**WHERE:** Westside Mental Health Urgent Care Center  
11444 West Washington Boulevard  
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