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Fort Benning, Ga – Martin Army Community Hospital opens New North Columbus Medical Home on 28 Sep 2012.

In the fall of 2009, The Army Surgeon General approved funding for Community Based Primary Care Clinics (CBPCC) using the Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) model. The CBPCCs are Army-run, primary care clinics located off-post in the communities where Active Duty Families live and will enroll Active Duty Family Members. CBPCCs are inspired from the ground up by beneficiary ideas and suggestions about how healthcare should be. Those ideas and suggestions are embodied in the concept of the PCMH, a new model of healthcare being adopted across Military Healthcare and by leading civilian healthcare systems. The PCMH is both revolutionary and old-fashioned. Each patient partners with a team of healthcare providers – physicians, nurses, behavioral health professionals, pharmacists, and others – to develop a comprehensive, personal healthcare plan. That healthcare team works with each patient over time to take care of health issues as they arise, ensure delivery of prevention screening and services, manage chronic conditions, and promote a spirit of health, wellness and trust.

The North Columbus Medical Home is located at 1100 Brookstone Centre Parkway (near Target) in the Brookstone Professional Medical Park. It is the fourteenth of seventeen planned medical homes to open nationwide. Approximately 8,000 active duty Family Members will receive their care at the new medical home. The North Columbus Medical Home includes a pharmacy and laboratory. The Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony is planned for Friday, 28 Sep at 3 p.m. Fort Benning and hospital leadership will be on hand for the ribbon cutting.

For media coverage and attendance, please contact Terry Beckwith, 706-544-4276/3470 no later than Sep 26, 2012.