

Thrive Alabama to open HIV clinic on Sand Mountain



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Thrive Alabama will host a grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony for its new HIV clinic this week on Sand Mountain.

The Albertville office will debut to the public from 1-3 p.m. Friday at 201 E. McKinney Ave., Suite A. Tours of the facility will be available.

The clinic offers a variety of medical and mental health resources, including primary medical care, case management, medication assistance, HIV testing and counseling, and substance abuse and behavioral health counseling to clients.

Telemedicine, which provides medical services remotely with audiovisual equipment and a secure Internet connection, will be available to patients.

"One of the most exciting new offerings are medical and mental health care through telemedicine so that patients in the Sand Mountain area do not have to travel to Huntsville to see a provider," Thrive said. "A visit can take place between the provider in Huntsville and the nurse and patient in Albertville."

In December, Thrive **launched a wellness clinic** for the treatment and prevention of sexually transmitted infections on 600 St. Clair Ave., Building 7, Suite 18, in Huntsville. The nonprofit organization, formerly known as the AIDS Action Coalition, also has a facility in Florence to help serve 12 counties in north Alabama.

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