



# Muslim Community Center News

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## MISSION & VISION STATEMENT

**M**uslim Community Center for Human Services (MCCHS) is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization founded in 1995 to meet the medical and social service needs of more than 100,000 underserved immigrants from South East Asia, the Middle East and Africa that reside in the Dallas Fort Worth Metroplex. MCCHS is dedicated to empowering underserved communities residing in the Dallas/Ft. Worth Metroplex, to face complex challenges created by duality of culture and lack of appropriate medical and social services. Our long-term vision is to develop a community of people who are thriving and striving to maintain a harmonious family structure by offering counseling and education to prevent marriage discord, domestic violence and child abuse. MCC plans to offer counseling services and shelter for the victims of domestic

## Tarrant County Medical Society Mission Day

**Saturday March 6th 2010**

Medical Mission Day is a one-day medical mission event at area charity clinics organized by the Tarrant County Medical Society, the Dallas County Medical Society and the Greater Dallas/Fort Worth Association of Charitable Clinics. Al-Shifa Clinic thanks the Medical Society for sending the visiting physicians.

Three physicians from Tarrant Medical Society volunteered their time at Al-Shifa Clinic. We are thankful to Mylinh Vu M.D. (ObGyn), Miguel Banta M.D. (pain management) and Shannon Baker M.D. (ObGyn). They have seen over 50 patients on Saturday March 6th, 2010 at Al-Shifa Clinic. In addition to the volunteer physicians from the Tarrant County Medical Society our own physicians Basheer Ahmed M.D., Siraj Hussain M.D., and Shahida Khan M.D. were also volunteering in the clinic. Our regular physician observer Amit Nanrani M.D., Sarah Khan M.D. and three medical students from Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine assisted the visiting physicians. We are thankful to all the participants for making this a successful mission day event. *(Please see the photograph of the visiting physicians and the other regular volunteers of the clinic on the next page.)*

## Dental Clinic

**A charitable dental clinic operated by Muslim community organization**

*(please see the photos on the next page)*

The Muslim Community Center for Human Services was established in 1995 to provide medical and social services to indigent Muslims living in the Dallas/Ft. Worth metropolitan area. With the help of the community, we have been able to provide a variety of services to the needy. We are soliciting your help in our next endeavor---establishing a free dental clinic. The clinic will provide dental care to needy residents of the Dallas Fort Worth area.

After 18 months of efforts, finally Al-Shifa Clinic is now completed the securing of the dental equipment for the clinic. We are thankful to Ms. Margarret Irwin RN.MS. for her tireless efforts in contacting several places to obtain the equipment. We are extremely thankful to Dr. Roach, a retired dentist of Fort Worth, who was kind enough to donate the equipment for the clinic. He is also helping us in setting up with the policies, procedures and operating guidelines. **We need volunteer dentists, volunteer dental hygienists, supplies and the financial support to operate this free dental clinic for the indigents residents of DFW Metroplex.**

Volunteer doctors, nurses, and administrative staff provide all our services. Some come in once a month, others once every two months. If you have been looking for a way to give back to the community what God has so generously given to you please consider this opportunity to volunteer time at the dental clinic. As one our newest doctors told me last week when I asked why she was volunteering in the clinic:

“There are a lot of reasons that I'm interested in helping out. First of all, I have volunteered in a "free clinic" before and I found it to be very gratifying. In addition, I did all of my training at a county facility and I really enjoyed working with that patient population. Lastly, I feel extremely blessed in my life and feel that it's important to help others who may need help and may not be in a position where they can afford or have access to the help they need.”

If you would like to volunteer your time at the clinic, provide supplies to the clinic, donate funds to operate the clinic or you have any question about the clinic, please contact:

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Tarrant County Visiting Physicians: Mylinh Vu M.D. (ObGyn), Miguel Banta M.D. (pain management) and Shannon Baker M.D. (ObGyn) are seated on the chair. Drs. Ahmed, Siraj and Shahida along with the observer physicians, medical students and Ms. Naureen, office manager, are standing on the back. Al-Shifa volunteers are sitting in the front.



**Newly equipped Al-Shifa Dental Clinic**

The Al-Shifa dental clinic located at 7600 Glenview Dr., Richland Hills needs volunteer dentists, dental hygienists and supplies. The clinic will be open as soon as the dentists agree to volunteer their time at the clinic. Please support the clinic so we can start offering the services to indigent residents of Dallas Fort Worth area as soon as possible. Your immediate attention will be greatly appreciated.

**Please mail your Tax Deductible Donation to:**  
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