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## **Aetna Better Health of Illinois to Provide Free Laundry and Literacy Days to Illinois Residents**

*Each event will provide free laundry, health services and activities for children*

**October 7, 2022 (Chicago, Ill.)** – Aetna® Better Health of Illinois, a CVS Health® company (NYSE: CVS), has partnered with Blue Kangaroo Coin Laundry to give back to underserved communities by providing essential services aimed at making healthy lifestyle choices more accessible.

Through the Laundry and Literacy Day events, residents throughout Illinois will have access to free resources and health screenings. Each location has been coordinated to reach Medicaid members and residents that live in ‘health deserts’ in Chicago, Joliet, Stickney, and East Moline.

“This collaboration with Blue Kangaroo Coin Laundry is helping us achieve our mission to improve the overall health of our communities,” said Rushil Desai, CEO, Aetna Better Health of Illinois. “By providing a critical lifeline to medical care, literacy programs, and healthy foods, Aetna looks to ensure care is attainable to all.”

Laundry and Literacy Days will take place at local laundromats and feature a host of free resources structured to promote healthy behaviors. The events will also have fun-filled, family-oriented activities that will include:

- Free laundry
- Health screenings, vaccine clinics, and wellness services
- Childhood development and literacy programs
- Food insecurity programs
- Book nook area with donated literature and space for story time reading

The Laundry and Literacy Day events will take place at the following locations:

**October 12, 2022 12PM - 4PM**

Blue Kangaroo Coin Laundry | 3554 W 63rd St, Chicago, IL 60629

**October 12, 2022 | 1 PM–5 PM**

Blue Kangaroo Coin Laundry | 4550 S Pulaski Rd, Chicago, IL 60632

**October 13, 2022 | 2 PM–6 PM**

Blue Kangaroo Coin Laundry | 4843 W Armitage Ave, Chicago, IL 60639

**October 18, 2022 | 1 PM–5 PM**

Blue Kangaroo Coin Laundry | 607 E Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

★ Ribbon Cutting will take place at 2:00PM

**October 20, 2022 | 1 PM–5 PM**

Blue Kangaroo Coin Laundry | 6646 W Pershing Rd, Stickney, IL 60402

★ Ribbon Cutting will take place at 2:00PM

**October 20, 2022 | 2 PM–6 PM**

Mega Load Coin Laundry | 4200 10th St, East Moline, IL 61244

**October 24, 2022 | 12 PM–4 PM**

Your Neighborhood Laundromat | 1400 E 47th St, Chicago, IL 60653

★ Ribbon Cutting will take place at 1:00PM

**October 26, 2022 | 1 PM–5 PM**

Your Neighborhood Laundromat | 3451 W. Roosevelt Rd, Chicago, IL 60624

***PLEASE NOTE: \*Free laundry is available on a first come, first served basis. Limit of two laundry cycles per participating family.***

Blue Kangaroo Coin Laundry has been a local, family-owned company for 30 years and has earned a reputation for quality in the self-service laundry market. Their partnership with Aetna Better Health of Illinois is another example of their philanthropy and mission of service.

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