

## Hoosier Healthwise

Provides free or low-cost health care coverage for pregnant women and children ages birth through age 18 years. Benefits include (but are not limited to) primary care, dental and vision services. On-site enrollment is available, and eligibility is based on monthly household income.

## Financial Assistance

A financial assistance counselor is on-site every afternoon.

For more information on any of these services, call Leonora Battani at (574) 245-6835.

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**Memorial**  
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# Diversity Will Be Our Strength



Everyone in our community deserves to receive quality health care in a manner that preserves individual dignity and respect. Ours is a community rich in diversity, one of many cultures and languages. Memorial is committed to embracing diversity, and to partnering with multicultural community organizations as we all work together to create a strong, healthy community.

To this end, the Memorial Hispanic Initiative provides several culturally and linguistically appropriate programs for the Spanish-speaking community. Many of these programs are highlighted in this publication, although we continue to add new services and enhance existing ones.

### **Interpreting Services**

Memorial offers certified Spanish medical interpreters for both inpatient and outpatient hospital services. Interpreters are available seven days a week. Call (574) 647-6796.

### **Doulas**

Available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide continuous physical, emotional and educational support to a mother before, during and following birth. All Memorial doulas are also certified Spanish medical interpreters. Call (574) 647-7799.

### **Las Comadres**

A health education group for Latinas in our community. The group meets the third Tuesday of every month from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at La Casa de Amistad, Inc. at 746 S. Meade St., South Bend.

### **Medical Interpreters / Medical Terminology Course**

A 60-hour course for bilingual individuals wishing to be trained as medical interpreters in the health care setting. The course covers basic interpreting skills, ethics, medical terminology and culture in interpreting, communication skills and a 16-hour internship at Memorial Hospital. Fee \$175.

### **Diabetes Education & Support**

Education and nutrition classes (conducted in Spanish) are available every Monday from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and the second and third Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon at the Memorial Neighborhood Center, 2015 W. Western Ave., Suite 124, South Bend. Call (574) 245-5528 for more information.

### **Gestational Diabetes Education**

Gestational diabetics receive individual education and support from the diabetes educator, and participate in a monthly support group with their peers. Classes are conducted in Spanish.

### **Spanish Medical Interpreter / Translation Service**

Certified interpreters will provide this fee-for-service on an as-needed basis for local physician offices, home health care agencies and other social service providers.

### **Mujeres con Angustias**

A support and educational group for women related to mental health.

### **Family and Friends CPR**

Offered in Spanish four times a year for a \$5 fee. First aid instruction is also offered in Spanish four times a year.