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**DESERT WILLOW TREATMENT CENTER
CELEBRATES TEN YEARS OF SERVICE**

Carson City—Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Director Mike Willden will join with legislators, Clark County commissioners, juvenile justice members, and other dignitaries in celebrating the ten year anniversary of Desert Willow Treatment Center (DWTC) on:

- **Friday, September 12, 2008**
- **12:30 PM**
- **6171 West Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas**
- **Speakers:**
 - Mike Willden, DHHS Director
 - Hearing Master Frank Sullivan, 8th Judicial District Court, Family Division
 - Diane Comeaux, Administrator, Division of Child and Family Services
 - Dr. Linda Santangelo, DWTC Clinical Program Manager

The 1995 Nevada Legislature approved funding for DWTC. Construction was completed in June 1998, and the 58-bed psychiatric hospital opened for business in September 1998. Accredited by the Joint Commission, DWTC today includes two acute psychiatric units and three residential treatment units that provide service to severely emotionally disturbed youths and their families in a safe and culturally sensitive environment.

A tour of the facility will be available. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the news conference.

For more information about DWTC and other residential and day treatment facilities, go to http://www.dcfcs.state.nv.us/DCFS_ResDayTreatment.htm.

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