

Tribe Breaks Ground for New Behavioral Health Center

**(MSC News)--Construction is scheduled to begin soon on a new Behavioral Health Center on the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Reservation near Mayetta.**

**According to the *Prairie Band Potawatomi News*, tribal officials recently broke ground for the about 5,800-square-foot \$2 million facility to be construct west of the Prairie Band Health Center Facility.**

**The bulk of the funding for the project will come through a USDA loan and funding from Indian Health Services.**

**The new facility will house the behavioral health programs currently provided by the Potawatomi Health Center. Two special features of the property will include a room designed specially for group therapy and a crisis room. The center will house about six full-time staff.**

**Tribal officials say the idea for a new space for the behavioral health program began about three years ago due a critical lack of space in the current location in the east wing of the health center and the need to provide people who utilize behavioral health services with a sense of confidentiality.**

**Construction of the new center is expected to be completed by mid-summer.**

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