

## Hill Visits New Scott County CBOC

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On Friday, October 2, 2009, Congressman Baron Hill toured the recently-opened Scott County Community-Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC). Hill has been involved with securing a CBOC for Southern Indiana veterans in Scott County for several years.

The CBOC, which is strategically located near Scott Memorial Hospital, currently retains two full-time doctors — with room to expand to five if needed. The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facility actually opened about a year ago, but was located in a temporary location while the current site underwent construction. Currently, the CBOC is serving more than 1,400 veterans.

Veterans from Scott, Washington, Jefferson, Jackson, Clark, Bartholomew and Jennings Counties are accessing the CBOC's services. And, the doctors report that many of those veterans were previously driving to Indianapolis, Louisville or Cincinnati for care. The Scott County CBOC is much closer for many of these Southern Indiana veterans.

According to the VA's web site, the Scott County center is staffed with highly-trained providers specializing in providing a full range of primary care, mental health and other preventative and ancillary services.

"The opening of this facility in Scott County is great news for our Southern Indiana veterans," Hill said. "They should not have to drive long distances to get the care they need. I was very impressed with the doctors and support staff I met during my tour and appreciate that they took time out of their day to show me around."