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A Statewide Health Care Reform Forum:

Health Care Reform, Rural Communities, & You

Get the Facts! The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (i.e., Federal Health Care Reform) is one of the biggest issues talked about today, but do you really know what's in this lengthy Act? Not many people do. Get the facts. Join us for a day-long seminar and learn how the bill impacts rural citizens, rural communities and rural businesses.

This forum is not designed to support or oppose the legislation -- only to explain what it really means so that we all understand the changes this law is mandating, now and in the future, and how it might impact your daily life.

When: Tuesday, December 14, 2010, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Where*:

- Eastern Shore Higher Education Center at Chesapeake College, Routes 50 & 213, Wye Mills, 21679
- Wor-Wic Community College, 32000 Campus Drive, Salisbury, 21804
- College of Southern Maryland, 115 Williams Road, Prince Frederick, 20678
- Garrett County Health Department, 1025 Memorial Drive, Oakland, 21550
- Maryland 4-H Center, 8020 Greenmead Drive, College Park, 20740

*Speakers will originate in College Park and make presentations by webcast to the other locations. Each forum location will have its own facilitator and discussion.

There is no registration fee to attend but registration is required. Space is limited. Registration closes on December 7. Sorry, no on-site registration.

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Agenda

9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.: Sign In and General Networking.

10:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.: Welcome from Robert S. Gold, Dean, University of Maryland College Park School of Public Health.

Orientation to How the Forum Will Work, by Bonnie Braun, University of Maryland Extension Specialist and Endowed Chair and Director of the Herschel S. Horowitz Center for Health Literacy. Dr. Braun is also Chair of the Rural Maryland Council.

10:15 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.: Health Care Reform -- How We Got To Where We Are.

Speaker: Jack A. Meyer, Professor of the Practice, Health Services Administration Department, University of Maryland College Park School of Public Health. Dr. Meyer has a joint appointment as Professor of the Practice in the School of Public Health and the School of Public Policy. He is also a principal with Health Management Associates (HMA) in Washington, D.C. where he is conducting health care research, policy analysis, and strategic planning for grant making foundations, health industry leaders, and state and federal agencies.

11:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.: Small group discussion.

11:15 a.m. to Noon: Health Care Reform -- Implications for Rural Maryland.

Speaker: Keith Mueller, Ph.D, The University of Iowa College of Public Health, Department of Health Management and Policy, RUPRI Center for Rural Health Policy Analysis.

12:00 12:30 p.m.: Small group discussion.

12:30 p.m. to 12:55 p.m.: Lunch (Provided).

1:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m.: Health Care Reform: Marylanders Responding Knowledgeably.

Speakers:

- Members of the Maryland Health Care Reform Coordinating Council and/or of work groups.
- Panel of legislators and representatives of business and community and family sectors.

1:45 to 2:00 p.m.: Small group discussion.

2:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.: Health Care Reform: Supporting Local Families and Communities.

Speaker: Nick Place, Associate Dean and Director, University of Maryland Extension.

Adjournment

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