

CHNA 18 Update

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Health Care Reform: How's It Going? 20th Annual Public Health Policy Forum

Brookline-On Wednesday evening, June 24, 2015, the 20th Annual Public Health Policy Forum will take a focused look at the successes of health care reform and the challenges that the Affordable Care Act still faces in Health Care Reform: How's It Going?, to be held at the Brookline Senior Center, 93 Winchester Street, Brookline, MA. Following a reception from 6-7 PM, the forum will last from 7-9 PM. The forum is free and open to the public and registration is not required.

Former Governor Michael Dukakis will moderate the panel, which features: David Seltz, first Executive Director of the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission; Amy Whitcomb

Slemmer, Executive Director of Health Care For All; and Katherine Swartz, Professor of Health Policy and Economics at the Harvard School of Public Health. Robin Callahan, Director of Member Policy and Program Development for the Massachusetts Office of Medicaid, is also an invited panelist.

Sponsored by the Friends of Brookline Public Health and the Brookline Adult and Community Education Program, the forum offers Brookline residents an opportunity to hear experts discuss the impact to date and challenges ahead for health care reform from the government, consumer, and research perspectives.

Although great progress has been made, health care reform, initiated in Massachusetts a decade ago, has been facing a bumpy rollout nationally. Literally millions of uninsured U.S. residents are now covered by health insurance, including many with conditions that previously would have caused them to be uninsurable. Going forward, there are numerous challenges to the Affordable Care Act, including political opposition, federal lawsuits, and the ability to continue to reign in health care costs. Join us to discuss the progress made to date, and to outline various approaches looking ahead.

The Public Health Policy Forum is co-sponsored by the Brookline Department of Public Health, the Brookline Council on Aging, the League of Women Voters of Brookline, the Brookline Commission for Women, and the Brookline Department of Veterans Services. For further information, contact the Brookline Department of Public Health, 617-730-2300 or Brookline Adult and Community Education, www.brooklineadulted.org.

SAVE THE DATE!!! From REACH Beyond Domestic Violence, Inc.

Waltham Neighborhoods Fall Festival

Saturday, September 26

1-4pm

(rain date Sunday 27)

Waltham Public Library lawn

Contact fallfest@reachma.org for more info

Reach for the Stars Gala

Saturday, November 7

6:30pm

Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel

Contact courtney@reachma.org for more info

The next JF&CS Memory Café will be held on Friday, July 10 from 10 a.m. to noon. Please note that this is the second Friday of the month; we have postponed the café for a week due to the Fourth of July holiday weekend. I've attached a flyer and FAQs for providers. Please post the flyer and/or share it with colleagues, patients and clients who may be interested. Providers are welcome to attend the Café and experience it

firsthand. Below are some photos from last week's café, during which we learned about the role of collage in modern art, and created our own "paper quilt."

JF&CS is collaborating with a network of individuals and organizations to support the development and sustainability of memory cafés throughout Greater Boston. Please see www.jfcsboston.org/MemoryCafeDirectory for a listing of cafés that we hope will grow over time. The "Percolator" memory café network meets quarterly. Those who are interested in starting a memory café are encouraged to contact me at bsoltzberg@jfcsboston.org or 781-693-5628 for more information.

Thanks very much!

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The CHNA 18 Newsletter will be sent out during the middle of each month, with mini-updates sent out for upcoming events that fall in between. We welcome submissions!

- Event announcements
- New programs
- Grants and funding opportunities
- Job openings
- New research
- Community resources
- Other information you think would be useful

We will do our best to include all the information submitted. Please send your information to our coordinator, Jhana Wallace, at jhanaw@gmail.com.

The newsletter will be sent out electronically. The deadline for submissions will be the last week of the month prior (for example, submissions for the May newsletter must be received by April 29th). However, if you come upon an item you think should be included and it's past the deadline, send it anyway and we'll try to include it.

Sincerely,

CHNA 18 Steering Committee