



August 17, 2009

BE HEARD!

Join Health Care Reform Events throughout Florida

While Congress is in recess this month, about 25,000 Floridians will lose their health care coverage. The movement to reform our broken health care system cannot afford to take a break. Your voice is needed now more than ever. Take the time to show up in numbers, bring out the truth, and take back the health care debate from misinformation.

Think of this as October, the month before a November election. We can't afford to lose this historic race for quality, affordable health care for all. And our effort needs every supporter to BE HEARD!



HEALTH CARE REFORM EVENTS

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STATEWIDE EVENTS

Floridians Rally for Healthcare Reform NOW!

Aug 29

Residents from throughout Florida are coming together for Florida's LARGEST

mobilization for healthcare reform yet! Buses are being organized for rides as well. More details coming soon!

Health Care Reform Q & A with Florida Experts

Aug 20 10:00 am-Noon Call 1-269-320-8200 x 842465

Get up-to-date information on national health care proposals and the political debate. You are invited to submit questions in advance of this call to lisag@floridachain.org. The panel of experts will address as many of these questions as there is time for. Questions are due by Aug 19. Experts include Greg Mellowe, Policy Director, Florida CHAIN; Bob Sharpe, Executive Director, Florida Council on Community Mental Health; and Leslie Spencer, Associate State Director of Advocacy, AARP. Sponsored by Florida CHAIN, AARP, Florida Council for Community Mental Health.

NORTH FLORIDA

Rep. Alan Boyd Town Hall in Cross City

Aug 17 10:00-11:00 am Cross City Women's Club, NE 134 Street
Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Rep. Alan Boyd Town Hall in Mayo

Aug 17 1:00-2:00 pm Lafayette County Community Ctr, 150 SW Community Cr, Mayo
Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Rep. Alan Boyd Town Hall in Perry

Aug 17 3:00-4:00 pm Perry Women's Club, 502 N Jefferson Street
Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Rep. Alan Boyd Blountstown Community Forum

Aug 18 10:00 am CDT W.T. Neal Civic Ctr, 17773 NE Pear St., Blountstown
Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Rep. Alan Boyd Bristol Community Forum

Aug 18 2:00 pm EDT Liberty County Courthouse, 10818 NW SR 20, Bristol
Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Rep. Alan Boyd Marianna Community Forum

Aug 19 10:00 am CDT Jackson County Agric Conf Ctr, 2741 Pennsylvania Ave, Marianna
Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Health Care Forum

Aug 19 3:30-5:00 pm Bradham Brooks Northwest Branch Library, 1755 Edgewood Ave West, Jacksonville

The public is invited to join a community conversation with AARP State Manager of Operations Jeff Johnson to talk about health care from your perspective and AARP's. No fee. RSVP required to flaarp@aarp.org or 800-595-7678

Health Care Reform Forum

Aug 19 10:00-11:30 am Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, 7500 Southside Blvd, Jacksonville

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Operations Jeff Johnson to talk about health care from your perspective and AARP's. No fee. RSVP required to flaarp@aarp.org or 800-595-7678

Tallahassee Canvass to Gain Support

Aug 22 Flexible hours

Join with Organizing for America (OFA), FCAN, AFSCME, FL PIRG, AFL-CIO, and others. Please contact jessica@fcan.org

Rally the Troupes!

Aug 22 12 Noon-1:00 pm Location TBD, Jacksonville

Rally the Troupes! Is a way to find local support for health reform now, to cover and promote involvement in Jacksonville. Contact Twitter at <http://twitter.com/comnewssource> and communitynewssource.org with your input. 904-208-0517

Rep. Alan Boyd Town Hall in Crawfordville

Aug 25 9:00-10:00 am Wakulla County Senior Citizens Center, 33 Michael Dr, Crawfordville

Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Rep. Alan Boyd Town Hall in Quincy

Aug 25 1:00-2:00 pm McGill Library, 732 Pat Thomas Hwy, Quincy

Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Rep. Alan Boyd Town Hall in Tallahassee

Aug 25 6:00-7:00 pm Tallahassee City Hall, 300 S Adams Street

Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Rep. Alan Boyd Port St Joe Community Forum

Aug 26 10:00 am Robert M. Moore Admin Bldg Bd Rm

1000 Cecil G. Costin Blvd, Port St. Joe

Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Rep. Alan Boyd Apalachicola Community Forum

Aug 26 1:00 pm Apalachicola Comm Ctr, 1 Bay Ave, Apalachicola

Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Federal Healthcare Reform Conversation with State Rep Janet Adkins

Aug 27 6:00-8:00 pm Florida Comm College, "Red" Bean Training Ctr Bldg, J76346 William Burgess Blvd, Yulee

Health Planning Council of Northeast Florida, Inc. and Florida CHAIN have rescheduled this event from Aug 4.

Rep. Alan Boyd Panama City Community Forum

Aug 28 5:30 pm Amelia Arts Center, Gulf Coast Comm College, 5230 W Hwy 98, Panama City

Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Heath Care Reform Review

Aug 29 6:00 pm Private home, Palm Coast

Invitation to neighbors to discuss Health Care Reform.

Green Fest/Conference

Sept 5 Jacksonville Children's Commission

Shifts begin at at 2:00 pm, 3:00 pm

Part of Festival/Conference includes separate symposia for women and men featuring medical professionals with dialogue on health reform, cardiovascular issues, green pharmaceuticals, holistic healing.

CENTRAL FLORIDA

Orlando Health Care Phonebank

Aug 19, 26; Sept 2 4:00 pm SEIU, 7001 Lake Ellenor Dr, Orlando

We will be holding weekly phonebanks to recruit new volunteers as well as collect pledges in support of health care reform. This is a great opportunity to expand our community network of volunteers which will allow us to hold events more often and gather support for passing health care reform by the end of the year. Please sign up for this event as well as future phonebanks listed on this site. Bring a friend!

Seminole County Health Care Phonebank

Aug 19, Aug 26 4:00 pm Seminole County DEC Headquarters, 125 Robin Rd, Altamonte Springs

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Health Care Interfaith Event

Aug 20 7:15-8:30 pm Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 5900 Oleander Dr, Orlando
 Congregation and community leaders from Federation of Congregations United to Serve (FOCUS) are hosting this health care forum. Faith leaders from Protestant, Catholic, Islamic and Jewish traditions will be joining FOCUS congregations, the Catholic Diocese of Orlando, and health agencies to reflect on, pray for and encourage health care reform that is affordable for families and sustainable for our nation. Childcare and Spanish translation available. 407-295-3188
Phoebes1@bellsouth.net

Rep. Ginny Brown-Waite Town Hall in Minneola

Aug 21 10:00-11:00 am Minneola City Hall, 18 N US27

Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

HR3200 Town Hall Meeting in Maitland

Aug 22 10:00 am-Noon Maitland City Council Chambers, 1776 Independence Dr

The hall can hold 88 people, and we do have access to a projector for anyone who cannot make it inside. Anyone wishing to ask a question, please call 321-228-5849.

Seminole County Health Care Pledge Drive

Aug 22, Aug 29 10:00 am Seminole County DEC Headquarters, 125 Robin Rd, Altamonte Springs

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Seminole County Health Care Pledge Drive

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EAST CENTRAL FLORIDA

Health Care Forum with AARP

Aug 18 1:00-3:00 pm One Senior Place, 8085 Spyglass Hill Road, Viera
The public is invited to join a community conversation with AARP State Director Lori Parham to hear what is happening with health care reform and issues AARP is emphasizing. They will share feedback from members across the country. RSVP not needed. No charge. For additional information please call AARP @ (866) 595-7678 or email flaarp@aarp.org

Calling for Change

Aug 19 12:00 Noon Brevard DEC Headquarters, 1103 Hibiscus Blvd, Ste 402, Melbourne

We will be holding phonebanks to recruit new volunteers as well as collect pledges in support of health care reform. This is a great opportunity to expand our community network of volunteers which will allow us to hold events more often and gather support for passing health care reform by the end of the year. Please sign up for this event as well as the others phonebanks listed on this site. Bring a friend!

Ringin' for Reform Phone Bank

Aug 20 5:00 pm Sebastian

This phone bank will give us an opportunity to reach our neighbors and ask them if they would like to get involved with Organizing for America as well as if they would like to pledge their support for health insurance reform. Phone banks are a great way to gather with fellow supporters and collect declarations in support of this very important cause. We can also arrange for calls to be made from home throughout the week so let me know if that would be of interest to you as well.

Health Insurance Planning Event

Aug 27 7:00 pm Private home, Deltona

We would like to recruit volunteers who are in favor of the current Health Insurance Reform to come out and help collect Declarations for Health.

HMO Tea Party FOR Health

Sept 7 11:30 am Deland City Hall, 120 S. Florida Ave

A peaceful gathering of local citizens to discuss and show support for the proposed Public Option. Bring a chair.

WEST CENTRAL FLORIDA

Statewide Health Care Phone Bank in Largo

Aug 19 Shifts begin at at 4:00, 5:00, 7:00 pm SEIU, 7850 Ulmerton Rd Ste 9, Largo

Please join a phone bank for health care reform at the SEIU Branch Office.

AARP Florida Health Action Now Community Forum

Aug 21 9:30-10:30 am CARES Rao Musunuru, M.D. Enrichment Center, 12417

Clock Tower Parkway, Hudson
AARP hosts a free community discussion for the public on health care reform. RSVP not needed. 866-595-7678

Rep. Ginny Brown-Waite Town Hall in Lecanto

Aug 24 10:00-11:00 am Citrus County Resource Ctr, 2804 Marc Knighton Ct, Lecanto

Check back to see new time and location of this event. Make sure your voice is heard in support of Health Care Reform.

Town Hall with Rep. Kathy Castor in Tampa

Aug 27

RSVP to confirm and attend: 813-490-0269

Rep. Castor Town Hall in Tampa

Sept 2 10:30 am-12:30 pm Jan K. Platt Library, 3910 S Manhattan Ave, Tampa
Confirm this event before attending.

SOUTHEAST FLORIDA

Honk and Ring for Health Care--Sign-Waving & Phonebanking

Aug 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, 27 5:00 pm All Broward Realty, 4325 W Sunrise, Plantation

We are taking it to the streets!! Join sign-waving on Sunrise Blvd. during rush hour traffic. Then, head back inside the office and make calls for upcoming events. Make your own sign, or borrow one at the office.

Town Hall with Rep. Tom Rooney

Aug 18 6:00-7:30 pm Indian River State College, Stuart Campus, Wolf Technology Ctr, 2400 SE Salerno Rd

It's very important for supporters of health care reform to go to this meeting which is being held by an opponent of reform.

Sign Making Party

Aug 18 5:00 pm Private home, Boca Raton

Help make signs to get ready for the Town Hall, discuss strategy for dealing with the protesters, questions to ask, etc.

Club CHANGE of Martin County

Aug 18 7:00 pm Stuart Women's Club

Topics for the Aug meeting include Health Care Reform

Health Insurance Reform Discussion

Aug 18 7:00 pm St. Columba's Community Room, Marathon

A group of concerned Marathon citizens will hold an informational discussion on the current health insurance reform legislation pending in Congress.

Ringling for Health Care Reform

Aug 19 4:30-8:30 pm All Broward Realty, 4325 W. Sunrise Blvd., Fort Lauderdale

We will be calling South Floridians to speak with them about health care reform, get pledges of public support, and recruit new volunteers. Come and make the change we want happen.

Town Hall Meeting on Healthcare with Congressman Robert Wexler

Aug 20 1:00-3:00 pm South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Road, Delray Beach
 Floridians for Health Care and the Florida Alliance for Retired Americans will be sponsoring an important health care town hall event on Thursday, August 20, 2009. We will be discussing with elected officials vital information about health care for all Americans.

Planned Parenthood Health Care Reform Florida Phone Bank

Aug 20 1:30pm - 3:30 pm (Volunteers Call From Home)
 Call supporters in the area to educate them on the issue and then "patch them thru" to Congressional offices via the telephone. It's really fun and a great way to make an immediate difference. As the health care reform process quickly moves along, this kind of immediate grassroots mobilization will make the difference! For more info or RSVP, contact 561-472-9940 or Judith.Selzer@ppsoflo.org

Town Hall Meeting On Improving Health Care Access in Martin County

Aug 21 7:00-9:00 pm Leighton Community Center, 2701 SW Cornell St, Palm City
 Public & Medical Professionals Are Invited for a Question & Answer Session On Health Care Access in Martin County by Citizen's Coalition for the Future of Health Care in Martin County. Share Your Ideas, tell your story, on how to improve Health Care Access in Martin County. Call 561-222-9361 or 772-545-2951

Organizational Meeting: Broward

Aug 22 11:00 am AFL-CIO, 1700 NW 66th Ave, Plantation
 Floridians across the state are meeting this weekend to organize the grassroots movement toward health care reform.

Miami Beach Pledge Drive

Aug 22, Aug 23 2:00-4:00 pm Starbucks in the Marriott, 161 Ocean Dr, Miami Beach
 We will be meeting outside the Starbucks in the Marriott to collect pledges from weekend beachgoers.

Hands Across America for Public Health Insurance

Aug 23 3:00-4:00 pm Federal Hwy across from Mizner Park, Boca Raton
 People across the country holding hands at the same time in support of quality, affordable health care - in support of President Obama's desire to make sure the plan has a public option so that costs are driven down for all. No RSVP needed.
jayne4obama@gmail.com

Health Care Forum

Aug 25 7:00 pm Congregation L'Dor V'Dor, 7400 Lake Worth Rd, Lake Worth
 Learn about universal health care and have your questions answered. Open to the public. Sponsored by Floridians for Health Care, Network for Spiritual Progressives, Unitarian Fellowship. Speakers include Rick Ford, Geraldine Vacarro, Barry Silver.

Statewide Phonebank

Aug 26 5:00 pm All Broward Realty, 4325 W Sunrise, Plantation
 RING THE ALARM!!! We are calling our neighbors throughout the state in support of health care reform.

Health Care Reform Pot-Luck Lunch/Rally/Meeting

Sept 12 1:00 pm, Jim Ward Community Ctr, Ft Lauderdale
 This will be a pot-luck lunch/rally/meeting to discuss how to help President Obama achieve real health care reform and how to counter the false information being put

out there by those who want him to fail. Bring a dish which can be easily shared with your neighbors. We will provide cups, plates, napkins, and utensils.

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA

OFA/Yes, We Can - Help! Collier County

Tuesdays 9:00 am Naples

Volunteers' weekly support of President Obama's Health Care Reform for the USA

Health Care Reform Phone Bank

Aug 19, Aug 20 3:00 pm Naples

The need for Health Care Reform is great and we need you to help make it a reality. Click above or call 239-404-1214 for more information. Call from home if you like.

Phonecalling for Reform

Aug 19 6:00 pm Bonita Springs

Come out and help reach out to the community in the fight to make health care a right.

Be a Stronger Voice for Healthcare

Aug 20 7:00 pm Private home, Cape Coral

Meet your friends and neighbors to find out how to be a stronger voice for health care reform.

Student Outreach Declaration Drive

Aug 22 12:00 Noon Fort Myers

We will again be hitting the streets and getting declarations signed around the community. We will be focusing on informing students on health care reform.

TELEPHONE AND WEB EVENTS

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Faith Community Conference Call on Health Care with President Obama

Aug 19 5:00 pm EST

The purpose of the call is to discuss the importance of health care to people of faith and to explore how we can impact this issue as our nation's leaders work to reform health care. It is part of a broader effort by faith groups to make sure that Congress passes health reform legislation this year that makes coverage affordable for families.

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Health Action NOW Tele-Townhall

Aug 20 1:30-2:30 pm 866-595-7678

The public is invited to join AARP in a free Telephone Townhall meeting to learn more about AARP Florida's work toward health care reform. RSVP to mcyr@aarp.org or 727-592-8008 or visit http://www.capitolconnect.com/aarp/alert_detail.aspx?AlertID=6620

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