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COUNTY HEALTHCARE SAFETY NET STUDY SEEKS PUBLIC INPUT

Town Hall Meetings Scheduled in Five County Regions in April to Hear Opinions, Concerns

The San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) is soliciting public and professional input for a San Diego County Healthcare Safety Net study.

The study will determine existing needs, project future healthcare demand and determine resources required to meet healthcare needs. Town hall meetings are scheduled throughout the county in April, starting Tuesday, April 4. Healthcare professionals and the public are invited.

"I'm pleased to see this study move forward. Its results will provide key information about our region's future healthcare needs and the availability of resources," said Supervisor Greg Cox who initiated the study along with Supervisor Ron Roberts.

"These town hall meetings are an opportunity to identify gaps in the healthcare safety net and get perspective from those receiving and giving care," said Supervisor Roberts. The healthcare safety net includes providers who give services to those who are uninsured, on Medicaid, or are otherwise vulnerable. Town hall meetings will take place as follows:

- Tuesday, April 4, 2 – 4 p.m., East Region Adoption Services conference room, 198 W. Main St., Suite 104, El Cajon
- Wednesday, April 5, 2 – 4 p.m., Southwestern College, Student Union East (cafeteria), 900 Otay Lakes Road, Chula Vista
- Monday, April 17, 9 – 11 a.m., North Coastal Region Center, Community Room, 1701 Mission Ave., Oceanside
- Monday, April 17, 1 – 3 p.m., San Marcos Community Center, 3 Civic Dr., San Marcos
- Tuesday, April 18, 1 – 3 p.m., Recital Hall in Balboa Park, 2130 Pan American Plaza, San Diego

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