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PUBLIC INPUT SOUGHT FOR HEALTHCARE SAFETY NET STUDY

Town Hall Meetings Scheduled in North County April 17

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. Two town hall meetings are scheduled in North County on Monday, April 17. Healthcare professionals and the public are invited.

"Results from this study will provide key information about our region's future healthcare needs and the availability of resources," said San Diego County Board of Supervisors Chairman Bill Horn.

"We must ensure that San Diego continues to have a viable safety net, with an ample supply of hospital beds and trauma centers in areas where they will be needed most," said Supervisor Ron Roberts. "This healthcare assessment will help us achieve this goal."

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:

- 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

Two meetings have taken place in the East and South County regions. Two meetings are scheduled at Balboa Park (Central Region) and in South County on April 18.

For information, call (619) 388-2888, or visit the project website at www.abarisgroup.com, and click on "Project Sites."

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