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## **COUNTY HEALTHCARE SAFETY NET STUDY SEEKS PUBLIC OPINION**

*Preliminary Findings to be Presented at Town Hall Meetings in July and August*

The San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) and The Abaris Group will present preliminary findings on the San Diego County Healthcare Safety Net study at several upcoming town hall meetings in July and August. All interested members of the public and healthcare professionals are invited to comment on the study and give recommendations.

“As our region grows, our healthcare needs increase significantly,” said Supervisor Greg Cox who initiated the study along with Supervisor Ron Roberts. “This study is key to assessing what healthcare resources are currently in place, and forecast what we’ll need to meet future needs.”

“The public and healthcare professionals are in the best position to tell us where efforts to improve healthcare delivery should be focused,” said Supervisor Ron Roberts.

The study was created to determine existing needs, project future healthcare demand and determine how to meet those healthcare needs. The safety net includes providers who give services to those who are uninsured, on Medi-Cal, or are otherwise vulnerable.

Town hall meetings will take place as follows:

- Monday, July 24, 2 – 4 p.m., North Central Region Administration, 8965 Balboa Ave., San Diego
- Tuesday, July 25, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Jacobs Center, 5160 Federal Blvd., San Diego
- Wednesday, July 26, 1 – 3 p.m., Escondido Family Resource Center, 600 East Valley Parkway, Escondido
- Thursday, July 27, 3 – 5 p.m., Oceanside Family Resource Center, 1701 Mission Ave., Oceanside
- Thursday, Aug. 3, 3 – 5 p.m., San Diego Workforce Partnership, Community Room, 3910 University Ave., San Diego
- Wednesday, Aug. 9, 3 - 5 p.m., Grossmont Health Center, 9001 Wakarusa St., La Mesa
- Friday, Aug. 11, 9 – 11 a.m., South Region Family Resource Center, 690 Oxford St., Chula Vista

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