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“UNITED FOR SALISBURY” FORUM QUESTIONS FUTURE OF LOCAL STATE HEALTH INSTITUTIONS

Looming cuts to Medicaid, budget cutbacks and Governor Larry Hogan’s “Holly Center Reimagined” proposal may leave vulnerable Marylanders underserved

BALTIMORE - Community members, elected officials, patient families, healthcare advocates and AFSCME Maryland members will gather for the “United for Salisbury” forum on Monday, July 17 at 5 PM. Attendees and speakers will seek answers and provide possible solutions to upcoming changes at the Holly Center, Deer's Head Hospital and the Worcester County Health Department.

Recently, Maryland Department of Health Secretary, Dennis R. Schrader unveiled the State’s vision for a “Holly Center Reimagined” and requested public input via email, by Labor Day 2017. Monday night’s forum will give the community an avenue for responding to the governor’s proposal and to discuss broader local healthcare issues.

Who: Speakers:

Dr. Roxie Dennis, President of the Worcester County branch of the NAACP
Senator James N. Mathias, Jr., District 38 - Somerset, Wicomico & Worcester counties (invited)

Panels representing:

Deer’s Head (Maryland Developmental Disabilities Administration)
Holly Center (Maryland Health Systems & Infrastructure Administration)
Worcester County Health Department

What: “Salisbury United” is a public forum for community members, healthcare advocates, patient families, local businesses, elected officials and local healthcare employees to address proposed changes to how our most vulnerable Marylanders are cared for—and to find solutions.

When: Monday, July 17, 2017 -- 5 PM to 7 PM

Where: Fire Station #2, 801 Brown Street Salisbury, MD 21804

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