

Healthcare-NOW!

2009 National Strategy Conference

November 14 & 15

St. Louis, MO



Conference Agenda

Sheraton Westport St Louis

Saturday, November 14, 2009

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm		Registration
4:00 pm - 4:45 pm	Plenary Session	<p>Opening Ceremonies</p> <p>Welcome and participant introductions: (Main Conference Room)</p> <p>Rebecca Elgie, Single Payer New York and Mark Dudzic, Labor Campaign for Single Payer</p> <p>Remembering Marilyn Clement: Donna Smith, California Nurses Association</p>
4:45 pm - 4:55 pm		2009 Healthcare-NOW! short video by Philip Swift
5:00 pm - 6:15 pm		<p>National Partners Panel:</p> <p>How to Grow the Movement to Win Single-Payer National Health Care</p> <p>Quentin Young, National Coordinator, <i>Physicians for a National Health Program</i></p> <p>Michael Lighty, Director of Public Policy, <i>California Nurses Association</i></p> <p>Ethel Long Scott, <i>Women's Economic Agenda Project</i></p> <p>Jerry Tucker, <i>Labor for Single Payer</i></p> <p>Tim Carpenter, Executive Director, <i>Progressive Democrats of America</i></p> <p>Moderator: Katie Robbins, <i>Healthcare-NOW!</i></p>
6:15 pm - 6:30 pm		DECAF COFFEE BREAK
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm		Small Group Discussion on Strategy
7:30 pm - 8:00 pm		Video address from Congressman Dennis Kucinich [D OH], co-author of HR 676

Sunday, November 15, 2009

7:30 am - 8:30 am		Breakfast Buffet
8:30 am - 8:45 am		<p>Welcome</p> <p>Mark Dudzic and Rebecca Elgie</p>
8:45 am - 9:45 am		<p>Michael Lighty, Director of Public Policy, <i>California Nurses Association</i></p> <p><i>Legislative update: How the national reform fails to solve the health care crisis</i></p>
9:50 am - 10:30 am		<p>Grassroots Strategies and Recommendations from Activists</p> <p>Mikuak Rai, <i>Coalition for Uninsured and Underinsured for Single Payer</i>, DC</p> <p>Allison Guttu, <i>National Women's Liberation</i></p> <p>Rita Valenti, <i>Healthcare-NOW! Georgia</i></p> <p>David Breitzman, Human Rights Advocate, NYC</p> <p>Don Bechler, <i>Single Payer NOW</i>, CA</p>

10:30 am - 10:40 am	COFFEE BREAK				
10:40 am - 11:10 am	<p>Strategy Discussion: How can the upcoming election year be used to promote single-payer national health care?</p> <p>Kevin Zeese, Executive Director, <i>The Prosperity Agenda</i> Russell Mokhiber, <i>Single Payer Action</i> Sandy Fox, Co-Chair, <i>Western PA Coalition for Single Payer</i> Tim Carpenter, Executive Director, <i>Progressive Democrats of America</i></p>				
11:10 am - 11:40 am	Healthcare-NOW! Staff Update				
	WORKSHOPS				
	Main Room - Front	Main Room - Back	Main Room - Mid	Alpine 1	Alpine 2
11:45 am - 12:45 am	Health Care NOT Warfare: Progressive Democrats of America	Million Letters Campaign: Bob Haiducek	How Publicly Funded Elections help Single-Payer advocacy: Frank Kirkwood, Western PA Coalition for Single Payer	Coalition Building: Mikuak Rai, CUUSP Ali Theibert, PNHP	Labor and Single Payer: Jerry Tucker, Labor Campaign for Single Payer
12:45 pm - 1:45 pm	Lunch				
	WORKSHOPS				
	Main Room - Front	Main Room - Back	Alpine 1	Alpine 2	
1:45 pm - 2:45 pm	The Win-Win Campaign: Tom Knoche, Healthcare-NOW!	Civil Disobedience: Margaret Flowers, PNHP DC Congressional Fellow; Katie Robbins, Healthcare-NOW!	Social Media and Internet Organizing: Jeff Muckensturm, Healthcare-NOW!	Health Care is a Human Right: Women's Economic Agenda Project	
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Plenary session to rough out the strategy for building the movement: What are priority local actions? Where do we go from here?				
4:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Voting on the most important strategies to take away from the conference				
4:30 - 4:45 pm	CLOSING REMARKS Mark Dudzic and Rebecca Elgie				