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Join us at the Rally Sunday 11 am asking Pres. Obama to **Save Medicaid – Include it in Medicare!** Bring a friend.



## Single Payer Action Team

### Update No. 37

22 September 2011

Upcoming Events: *[click on event for contact info]*

**Thurs 22 Sept – Bothell/Shoreline SP Action Team**

7 PM – @ Bothell Library  
18215 98th Ave. NE, Bothell

**Wed 19 Oct – PNHP Program Meeting**

7 pm – Swedish Cherry Hill Auditorium  
500 - 17th Avenue, Seattle

**Sun 30 Oct – South Seattle/Vashon SP Action Team**

2 PM – @ Southwest Branch, SPL  
9010 35th Ave. S.W., West Seattle

**Sat 5 Nov – HCFA-WA Annual Meeting**

12 noon – Horizon House Performance Center  
900 – University Street, Seattle

### Rally Sun. 25 Sept, 11 am to tell Pres. Obama to Save Medicaid, Expand Medicare

Pres. Barack Obama is in Seattle this coming Sunday, September 25 for raising money for his upcoming 2012 Presidential campaign. Join us to let the President know that in times of economic hardship is NOT the time to cut residents off of Medicaid or to reduce coverage of Medicare.

Meet at **11 a.m.** in front of the **Paramount Theater, 911 Pine St.** with your pickets. (Fundraiser begins at noon.) Our yellow & blue Single Payer signs are stored in Ballard. The backs are blank – ready for your message: "Save Medicaid – Put it in Medicare" or "Save Olympia \$3 billion – Medicaid into Medicare now!" **Contact [csrichards@msn.com](mailto:csrichards@msn.com) to pick up unmounted posters. Sticks not necessary.**

Medicare would be more secure fiscally if it expanded to include those age 55 and up who need less medical attention. In fact, we know, the best way to make Medicare a first-class success would be to cover all children, all families, all residents working in the United States.

### Health Benefits Exchange Board to be appt. Oct 15<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Doug Conrad, PhD, Professor, Department of Health Services and Director, Center for Health Management Research, has been nominated by HCFA-WA for the state's new Health Benefit Exchange Board. **It is now appropriate to contact Gov. Christine Gregoire's office to advocate for his selection.**

He was the co-author of the economic study of the feasibility of state-based Single Payer health care plan that is commonly known as the Washington Health Security Trust. This is on the HCFA-WA website. <http://www.healthcareforallwa.org/storage/WHST%20Fox%20et%20al%20economic%20study%20final%20030207.pdf>

Health Care for All-Washington in conjunction with PNHP's Western Washington chapter have advocated for his appointment with the Join Select Committee on Health Care Reform Implementation. Now it rests with the governor's office.

### HCFA-WA Annual Meeting set for Sat. 5 November

All members and friends of Health Care for All-Washington are urged to circle **Sat. Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>** on your calendars. The Annual meeting features great speakers, updates on courses of action, and participants from around the state discussing local efforts. And, good food! It's at **Horizon House, 900 University Street**, in Seattle, **12 noon to 4 pm**. You are a voting member by joining or renewing 30 days in advance. If you believe in our mission statement (see attached form) you qualify. Donations, of course, are always put to good use.



#### State Senate supporters:

Sen. Jeanne Kohl-Welles (D) 36th LD	prime sponsor, 2011
Sen. Rosemary McAuliffe (D) 1 <sup>st</sup> LD	Bothell
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Sen. Ed Murray (D) 43rd LD	North Seattle

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Rep. Jim Moeller (D) 49th LD	Vancouver

This Action Team Update is co-sponsored by **Health Care for All – Washington** and **Physicians for a National Health Program-Western Washington**.



## President Obama needs to hear from SEATTLE!

Join community and labor organizations that will gather outside President Obama's fundraiser at the Paramount Hotel this Sunday to deliver these important messages:

- Create Good Jobs Now
- Fair Taxation-Tax the Rich
- Preserve & Protect Social Security
- No Cuts to Medicare & Medicaid
- Don't Cut Payroll Taxes-Protect Social Security
- Support Good Jobs: Legalize Immigrant Workers

**Sunday, September 25**

Meet at 11 a.m. (fundraiser begins at noon)  
Paramount Theater, 911 Pine St.

*For more info, contact Robby Stern of the Puget Sound Alliance for Retired Americans at 206-448-9646.*

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### Renew Now for 2011

**Health Care for All—Washington**, despite being an all-volunteer organization, relies on membership dues and donations to promote the cause effectively. Please join in helping to make our movement even stronger

A member is one who supports the purposes of Health Care for all-Washington by completing a membership form. Our mission is "working for high quality, sustainable, publicly-funded healthcare for all Washington residents."

Membership donation [check one]: \_\_\_ your time and/or \_\_\_ \$35 \_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_ \$100 \_\_\_ other.

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