

Its time to talk about Massachusetts' new affordable health coverage!

Join La Alianza on March 8th for a community orientation session about MassHealth & Commonwealth Care's new health plan



Photo by Charan Devereaux of Michaela Lincoln during the first community orientation session.

being covered by health insurance.

Press release
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La Alianza Hispana invites you to a bilingual community orientation session regarding the Commonwealth's new health plan on Saturday, March 8th from 11:00AM to 2:00 PM at La Alianza Hispana, 409 Dudley St, Roxbury, MA 02119. Childcare will be provided.

Health Care For All, a non profit organization dedicated to make quality and affordable health care accessible to everyone, along with Neighborhood Health Plan, Network Health Plan and other managed care organizations in Massachusetts, will join La Alianza Hispana on March 8th to offer information about the health care reform and help people understand the benefits of the new health plan and avoid penalties of not

On April 12, 2006, Massachusetts Health Care Reform became law. It promotes health care access for uninsured and underinsured residents in Massachusetts. By creating the Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector Authority, the Health Care Reform has already worked to insure thousands of Massachusetts residents. The individual mandate says that most

Massachusetts residents age 18 and older must have health insurance. By January 1, 2009, the health insurance must have certain basic benefits. Most adults who did not have health insurance by Dec. 31, 2007 will lose their personal income tax exemption when they file their 2007 state income taxes. That exemption is worth \$219. The penalties for 2008 are higher.

Commonwealth Care covers adults age 19 or older. This affordable program offers health insurance coverage that meets many health care needs, including doctor office visits, inpatient hospital care, pharmacy benefits, mental health and substance abuse services, and more.

La Alianza received a grant from MassHealth and Commonwealth Care Enrollment Outreach Project to enroll 1,200 uninsured and educate the Latino Massachusetts residents in the MassHealth and Commonwealth Care. A year ago, more than 200 Latinos attended La Alianza Hispana bilingual community orientation sessions. La Alianza Hispana, along with Health Care for All presented the new plan and fielded questions about eligibility and enrollment.

For more information on eligibility and to learn more about this program please join us at:

La Alianza Community Information Session

Saturday March 8th,

La Alianza Hispana

409 Dudley St.

Roxbury, MA 00219

Light lunch will be served

Childcare will be provided. (Please register below)

For more information please contact: Teresa Aravena 617-427-7175 ext. 298 or taravena@laalianza.org

La Alianza's recent media coverage:

[El Mundo Newspaper: Josiane Martínez' Latino Professional Network Profile](#)

[El Mundo Newspaper: Community Gems](#)

[El Mundo Newspaper: Announcing Three Kings at El Jolgorio event.](#)

[El Mundo Newspaper: La Alianza's Three Kings at El Jolgorio event.](#)

Media coverage about last year Community Orientation Sessions:

[El Planeta: JAMAICA PLAIN: Un éxito las sesiones informativas de La Alianza Hispana](#)

[Siglo 21: La Alianza Hispana Reune a Latinos sobre nuevo plan de salud](#)

La Alianza Hispana's Misson Statement

La Alianza Hispana is a community based non profit organization serving the Latino community and all residents of the surrounding neighborhoods. The goal is to empower individuals and families, strengthen communities and develop leaders through high-quality education and social services, advocacy and community organizing. Our services are culturally and linguistically appropriate, integrated and community centered. La Alianza believes in social justice as a means of creating a more egalitarian, participatory and peaceful society in which all members can realize their fullest potential.

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