

PRESS ADVISORY

STATE HEALTH COMMISSIONER LAUNCHES NEW PREVENTION AGENDA, SHOWCASES LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH EFFORTS PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK APRIL 7 – 11

Many Events Open to Press

MONDAY, APRIL 7

11 a.m. -- **PRESS CONFERENCE:** Commissioner Richard F. Daines, M.D. unveils new state “Prevention Agenda Toward the Healthiest State.” Joined by CDC Director Julie Gerberding, M.D., M.P.H.; Deputy Secretary for Health and Human Services Dennis P. Whalen, Assembly Health Committee Chair Richard Gottfried, Senate Health Committee Chair Kemp Hannon, Albany County Commissioner of Health James Crucetti, M.D., Lindsay Farrell, President and CEO at Open Door Family Medical Centers.

Location: Blue Room, State Capitol, Albany

Open Press

1 p.m. **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DENTAL PROGRAM:** Commissioner Daines, CDC Director Gerberding view dental program, nutrition education and physical activity efforts.

Location: Watervliet Elementary School, 2557 10th Ave., Watervliet

Limited Press: Please RSVP with Diane Mathis, 518-817-6198

Two Presentations by CDC Director Gerberding:

9:30 a.m. -- **PRESENTATION:** CDC Director Julie Gerberding, M.D., M.P.H. speaks on *CDC’s Public Health Protection Goals*.

Location: New York State Museum Auditorium, Albany.

Open Press

3 p.m. **PRESENTATION:** Dr. Gerberding speaks on “*Public Health Effects of Climate Change*.”

Location: School of Public Health Auditorium, 1 University Place,
Rensselaer

Open Press

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

10 a.m. **PRESENTATION:** Commissioner Daines speaks on New York's Public Health and Health Reform Agenda to the New York State Nurses Association

Location: Convention Center, Empire State Plaza, Albany

Open Press

12:30 p.m. **PRESS CONFERENCE:** Commissioner Daines meets with county environmental health directors from across New York State, discusses environmental health priorities including public health effects of climate change.

Location: Roaring Brook Resort & Conference Center, Route 9N South, Lake George

Open Press

1:15 p.m. **TELEMEDICINE & COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT DEMONSTRATION:** Commissioner Daines views a Warren County Health Services telemedicine demonstration and learns about a 5-county community health assessment with the public health directors of 5 Adirondack Park counties and representatives of Hudson Headwaters Health Network.

Location: Warren County Municipal Center, Health Services Program

Open Press

2:30 p.m. **HOUSE CALL:** Commissioner Daines accompanies a Hudson Headwaters physician and a public health nurse on a house call.

Location: Lake George area

Limited Press: Contact Diane Mathis, 518-817-6198

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9

8 a.m. **AGRICULTURAL INJURY PREVENTION:** Commissioner Daines visits an agricultural injury prevention program with State Agriculture and Markets Commissioner Pat Hooker; Dr. John May, Director of the New York Center for Agricultural Medicine and Health; William Streck, M.D., CEO of Bassett Healthcare.

Location: NY Center for Agricultural Medicine and Health, 6160 State Highway 28, Fly Creek

Open Press

11:30 a.m. **CHILDHOOD OBESITY PREVENTION:** Commissioner Daines and Broome County Health Director Claudia Edwards visit a childhood obesity prevention program focusing on increased opportunities for physical activity and healthy eating.

Location: Johnson City Middle School, 666 Reynolds Road, Johnson City

Limited Press: Contact Diane Mathis, 518-817-6198

1:30 p.m. **EMPLOYER-BASED OBESITY PREVENTION:** Commissioner Daines visits an employer-based program that provides employees with increased opportunities for physical activity and healthy eating.

Location: Security Mutual Life Insurance Co., 100 Court St., Binghamton

Limited Press: Contact Diane Mathis, 518-817-6198

2:30 p.m. **PRESS CONFERENCE:** Commissioner Daines participates in press conference highlighting community efforts in Binghamton and Broome County to reduce obesity and prevent chronic disease by providing residents with increased opportunities for physical activity and healthy eating through the CDC-funded Steps to a Healthier NY program. Participants to include Binghamton Mayor Mathew Ryan; Broome County Executive Barbara Fiala; Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo; Assemblyman Clifford Crouch; Senator Thomas Libous; Pat Fell and Alan Wilmarth of BC Walks; Melissa Klinko of Excellus – Shape Up Broome Lead.

Open Press

3:30 p.m. **SMOKING PREVENTION & CESSATION:** Commissioner Daines views tobacco control efforts with local youth coalition.

Location: Broome County Health Department, 225 Front Street,
Binghamton

Open Press

THURSDAY, APRIL 10

10 a.m. **ASTHMA PREVENTION & MANAGEMENT:** Commissioner Daines observes an asthma education and care coordination program for children conducted by the Asthma Coalition of the Southern Tier.

Location: Delaware Valley Hospital, 2 Titus Place, Walton

Limited Press: Contact Diane Mathis, 518-817-6198

Noon **DIABETES MANAGEMENT:** Commissioner Daines observes a diabetes chronic disease management model.

Location: Hudson River Health Center, 23 Lakewood Ave., Monticello

Limited Press: Contact Diane Mathis, 518-817-6198

2:30 **LATINO HEALTH SERVICES:** Commissioner Daines meets with the Latino Service Providers Coalition.

Location: Sullivan County Health Department, 50 Community Lane,
Liberty

Limited Press: Contact Diane Mathis, 518-817-6198

3:30 **HOME VISIT:** Commissioner Daines accompanies a public health nurse on a home visit in connection with the Home Health/Nursing Home Without Walls program.

Location: Sullivan County

Limited Press: Contact Diane Mathis, 518-817-6198

FRIDAY, APRIL 11

7:30 a.m. **CANCER SOCIETY PRESENTATION:** Commissioner Daines speaks about state efforts to increase access to health insurance at an American Cancer Society Ulster County Legislative Breakfast Forum. Other speakers will include U.S. Representative Maurice Hinchey, Assemblyman Kevin Cahill, Assemblyman Clifford Crouch, Assemblyman Peter Lopez, Senator John Bonacic, and Senator William Larkin.

Location: Holiday Inn, 503 Washington Ave., Kingston

Open Press

10:30 a.m. **MATERNAL/CHILD HEALTH:** Commissioner Daines discusses maternal and infant health and tours a neonatal intensive care unit. Participants to include Dutchess County Commissioner of Health Michael Caldwell and representatives of Vassar Brothers Hospital, March of Dimes, Dyson Foundation.

Location: Vassar Brothers Hospital, 45 Reade Place, Poughkeepsie

Open Press

11:15 a.m. **PRESS CONFERENCE:** Commissioner Daines participates in press conference on New York's Prevention Agenda goals focusing on improved maternal, infant and child health outcomes; presents quality award to Vassar Brothers.

Location: North Lobby, Vassar Brothers Hospital, 45 Reade Place, Poughkeepsie

Open Press

1:30 p.m. **WOMAN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) PROGRAM:** Commissioner Daines visits a WIC program and participates in a healthy food demonstration provided to WIC clients.

Location: Westchester County Department of Health WIC Clinic, 20 S. Broadway #2, Yonkers

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3 p.m. **HIV/AIDS SERVICES:** Commissioner Daines meets with HIV/AIDS clients to discuss prevention, treatment and social support services.

Location: St. John's Riverside Hospital, The Hope Center, 2 Park Avenue, Yonkers

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