



Gorge HCFA

Health Care for All

Advancing health care for all in the Columbia Gorge

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Movie Night(s)

Come hear about history and options in health care. We will be hosting movie-and-discussion nights in seven Gorge communities this Fall, showing the documentary film "The Healthcare Movie" (<http://healthcaremovie.net/>).

Here's the schedule:

Sept. 19 (Wed.)	Stevenson, WA	Stevenson Community Library, 7pm
Sept. 25 (Tues.)	The Dalles, OR	The Dalles-Wasco County Library, 7pm
Sept. 26 (Wed.)	Hood River, OR	Hood River Library, 7pm
Oct. 3 (Wed.)	White Salmon, WA	White Salmon Community Library, 7pm
Oct. 16 (Tues.)	Goldendale, WA	Goldendale Community Library, 7pm
Oct. 23 (Tues.)	Dufur, OR	Dufur School Community Library, 6:30pm
Oct. 29 (Mon.)	Mt. Hood, OR	Mt. Hood Town Hall, 7pm

This excellent documentary tells the story of

- how the health care systems in Canada and the U.S. evolved to be so completely different, when at one point they were essentially the same;
- the intensity of the political struggle that led to the universal medical care system in Canada;
- the various public relations campaigns conducted in the U.S. since the early 1900's to dissuade the public from supporting national health care;
- the continuing struggle in the U.S. between the fear of government intervention and the right to quality health care for all people.

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Oregon CCOs: Moving in the Right Direction

CCOs (Coordinated Care Organizations) covering all regions of Oregon are being put into place to improve healthcare access, quality, and cost control. A CCO is a network of various types of healthcare providers who have agreed to work together to better serve the needs of OHP (Oregon Health Plan) clients. This provider organization will coordinate physical, mental, and oral health services for OHP clients in its service area, focusing particularly on preventive care and service integration.

“The [CCO project] is simply one step in the 25-year incremental movement towards universal access to effective and affordable health care for all Oregonians.”
– State Rep Mitch Greenlick, Co-Chair of House Health Care Committee

Learn more at www.health.oregon.gov.

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WA Interviews Candidates on HCFA

HCFA-Washington has prepared a set of interview questions for WA political candidates to ask them specifically if they will

- support a bill for state-based universal health coverage, the WHST (Washington Health Security Trust), in the 2013 session of the legislature; and
- support a federal “innovation waiver” for WA (so the state can pursue planning measures beyond the minimums set by the ACA).

Learn more at www.healthcareforallwa.org.

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Feb. 4, 2013 Rally at Capitol in Salem, OR

HCAO (Health Care for All – Oregon) will host a rally at the Capitol to educate and advocate for universal health care. The goal is to have 1000 citizens and legislators speaking out for health care as a public good. We’ll send out carpool info for Gorge residents who want to participate, closer to that date.

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Wanted: Volunteers

Will you help move OR and WA toward Health Care for All? We need your help.

- Join our **Steering Committee** to help plan and carry out our outreach events. (We work mostly by email and phone.)
- Be an **“Event Helper”** to assist with occasional “tabling” (having a display/info booth at a community event), posting event fliers, etc.

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