Community Council of Greater Dallas Hosts ACA Enrollment Event
Jan. 31 Deadline Approaches for Consumer Health Care Coverage

DALLAS (Jan. 26, 2017) – The Community Council of Greater Dallas’ Health Care Navigator Team is hosting an all-day Affordable Care Act enrollment event this Friday, Jan. 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. CST in both Dallas and Ft. Worth. This is the final push to get consumers signed up in the health care marketplace for 2017 during the open enrollment period. Consumers looking for coverage by Mar. 1 must meet a Jan. 31 deadline for application in the health care marketplace. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are encouraged.

"Because the deadline for open enrollment is fast approaching, we’re making a major push to get as many consumers signed up as possible,” stated Daniel Bouton, program manager for the CCoGD Health Insurance Marketplace. “We encourage those who are still not insured to come out and allow us to help them establish coverage for 2017.”

The Dallas location for the enrollment event is Community Council of Greater Dallas’ headquarters, at 1341 W. Mockingbird Lane, Dallas, TX 75247. Space has been reserved in the conference center of the first floor concourse. In Ft. Worth, the enrollment event will be held at Pregnancy Lifeline, located at 4747 Hulen St., Suite 103, Fort Worth, TX 76132. Appointments will be handled on a first-come, first-serve basis and can be arranged in advance by calling 1-844-831-9600.

U.S. Congressman Marc Veasey and Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins will be in attendance at the Dallas event, schedules permitting, to lend their support to the cause.

Since November, demand for ACA enrollment assistance has jumped 70 percent, according to the health care Navigators team at CCoGD. Regardless of what the incoming presidential administration decides to do with repealing and replacing the ACA, it currently remains the law. Coverage is available and is still required for consumers across the United States.

According to information provided by the Health Insurance Marketplace, 73 percent of Texas consumers can find marketplace plans for less than $75 a month and there are, on average, 26 different plans to choose from. The share of Texas consumers without health insurance coverage now stands at just over 17 percent, down from 28 percent in 2010. The open enrollment period, which ends on Monday, Jan. 31, is an opportunity to build upon the progress of seeing more Texas residents covered by health care insurance.

For further information on requirements and deadlines, consumers may visit www.healthcare.gov and www.obamacarefacts.com for reference.

About Community Council of Greater Dallas
Since its founding in 1940, the Community Council has identified services that are needed in the community, assessed how best services could be delivered to meet social issues, and mobilized and implemented action plans working in concert with its member agencies and public sector resources. The
nonprofit agency is primarily dedicated to specific causes that affect the senior citizens and children/youth of North Texas. For more information, please visit www.ccgd.org.

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