

“HEALTHCARE FOR RETIREES - 2007 STATUS REPORT”

- How will Medicare Part D work for you? The Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Coverage program was implemented in January 2006. Unlike Medicare A & B, beneficiaries were offered a variety of plans from private providers whose costs and benefits will change from year to year. ***Kelli M. Singleton, MPA Account Manager/Employer Policy Lead , Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services-Region II,*** will provide participants with the latest information on the program and address questions and concerns.
- Over 35,000 New Jersey residents currently live in nursing homes, and it is predicted that this number will greatly expand in the coming years. Learn about programs that serve and protect this vulnerable population and their families, and what is being planned to allow more seniors, retirees, and the disabled to continue living in their own homes from ***William Isele, Office of the Ombudsman for the Institutionalized Elderly, New Jersey Department of the Public Advocate.***
- What is New Jersey’s vision of healthcare for seniors and retirees now and in the future? Would you like to know where to purchase prescription drugs at the lowest prices? ***Senator Joseph Vitale, Chair of the New Jersey Senate’s Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee*** will provide an overview of current issues, programs and trends affecting the quality and accessibility of healthcare for New Jersey Seniors and Retirees.
- ***New Jersey State AFL-CIO President Charles Wowkanach*** will review current labor-sponsored activities and legislation such as Paid Family Leave and Safe Hospitals/Safe Staffing, that impacts the quality of healthcare for patients, their families, and the workers who provide our healthcare.

**New Jersey State AFL-CIO Retirees
1389 Broad St.
Clifton, NJ 07013**

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Sixth Annual Eldercare Conference



Tuesday, May 15, 2007

10:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Coffee, Danish and Lunch
Provided

**United Auto Workers
Region 9**

**56 Vineyard Road
Edison, New Jersey**

OPEIU:153

AGENDA

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Registration, Coffee and Danish

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Charles Wowkanech, President
Laurel Brennan, Secretary-Treasurer
New Jersey State AFL-CIO

Bob Cawley, Chair
New Jersey State AFL-CIO Retirees

SPEAKERS

“Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Coverage 2007”

Kelli M. Singleton, MPA Account Manager/Employer Policy Lead, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services-Region II

“Nursing Home Reform”

William Isele, Office of the Ombudsman for the Institutionalized Elderly, New Jersey Department of the Public Advocate

“The Impact of Hospital Closings, The New Jersey Prescription Drug Registry, & New Jersey’s Position on Universal Healthcare”

Senator Joseph Vitale, Chair of the New Jersey Senate’s Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee

“Labor Perspective on Retiree Healthcare”

Charles Wowkanech, President of the New Jersey State AFL-CIO

DIRECTIONS

**United Auto Workers Region 9
56 Vineyard Road, Edison, NJ
(732) 248-6850**

FROM NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE:

Leave NJ Turnpike at Exit 10. Follow signs for Route 287 North. Take Route 1 South and then turn right onto Old Post Road. Take Old Post Road to traffic light. Turn right onto Vineyard Road and 56 Vineyard Road is located approximately 1/4 mile on the left side.

FROM GARDEN STATE PARKWAY SOUTH:

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**(Lunch will be served between
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM)**

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____

ORGANIZATION _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP

PHONE _____

FAX _____

E-MAIL _____

Please RSVP by Wednesday, May 9, 2007
**For more information or to RSVP by phone,
fax, email or mail please contact:**

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**\$5 Registration Fee
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