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## MEDCHI TO HOST $6^{\text{TH}}$ AFFORDABLE CARE ACT OUTREACH AND ENROLLMENT SUMMIT

BALTIMORE, May 15, 2015 – Maryland Citizens' Health Initiative and MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, are hosting the 6<sup>th</sup> Affordable Care Act Outreach and Enrollment Summit on Monday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM in MedChi's Osler Hall.

For the past two years, MedChi has partnered with HealthCare Access Maryland to inform millions of individuals how they may obtain quality and affordable health insurance. Maryland Citizens' Health Initiative has organized Health Care for All!, the state's largest coalition that educates individuals about feasible and effective ways to expand access to quality and affordable health insurance to *all* of Maryland's residents.

This year, 374,000 Marylanders enrolled in a health insurance plan on the Exchange. To celebrate this accomplishment, Health Secretary Van Mitchell, Deputy Secretary Shannon McMahon, Maryland Health Connection Executive Director Carolyn Quattrocki, Baltimore City Health Commissioner Dr. Leana Wen, and other state leaders will reflect on the most successful outreach practices of this past year and discuss Maryland's plans for the future.

MedChi's Chief Executive Officer, Gene M. Ransom, is pleased with the progress Maryland has made, saying, "Part of MedChi's mission is to advocate for the patient's right to universally accessible health care. Ensuring that our patients have health insurance is the first step in achieving that goal."

## About MedChi

MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, is a non-profit membership association of Maryland physicians. It is the largest physician organization in Maryland. The mission of MedChi is to serve as Maryland's foremost advocate and resource for physicians, their patients and the public health of Maryland. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.medchi.org">www.medchi.org</a>.