



The Maryland State Medical Society

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APRIL 6-12 IS NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

BALTIMORE, April 7, 2015 — National Public Health Week is a United States health awareness event. The event aims to highlight public health achievements and also improve the general health of the American people, by educating the public about various health issues and how they can live longer lives.

The first National Public Health Week took place during 1995 and has seen increasing support over the years. MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society, is joining in on spreading awareness about this important event throughout the state of Maryland. MedChi's Public Health Committee plays a big part in this awareness.

The Public Health Committee identifies public health issues of importance and works with MedChi to develop policies and activities that address these issues, in order to enhance the health status of our community. The current areas of concern are:

- Child Immunization Schedule
- Adult Vaccination Coverage
- Measles outbreak
- Environmental Health

MedChi President, Dr. Tyler Cymet, states "Public Health is the organized effort to know how the choices we make could affect our health. It is only if we know the benefits and consequences of behavior that we can make informed choices."

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 www.medchi.org.