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Health Fair and Free Health Screenings Offered by New Jersey Medical School

NEWARK—The Essex-Passaic Wellness Coalition, sponsored by Rutgers New Jersey Medical School, will hold its annual health fair on **Thursday, May 8 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.** in the Rutgers School of Dental Medicine Oral Health Pavilion.

Stanley H. Weiss, MD, professor of Preventative Medicine and Community Health at Rutgers New Jersey Medical School, noted, “This fair, like our past annual fairs which have attracted hundreds of persons, will help educate the public about critical health issues and provide on-the-spot health screenings.”

Among the fair participants is University Hospital's Screening Access of Value to Essex (S.A.V.E.) Women and Men program and its van, which will offer free cancer education, free breast and cervical screenings, colorectal cancer screenings, and prostate screenings to persons eligible through the New Jersey Cancer Education and Early Detection (NJCEED) screening program. For more information or to schedule an appointment for breast and cervical screenings, please call 973-972-7007; for prostate screenings, please call 973-972-0254.

In addition, NJMS's Division of Adolescent and Young Adult Medicine will be present with a mobile screening van to provide confidential HIV, chlamydia and gonorrhea testing. And Rutgers School of Dental Medicine will again provide free oral health and cancer screenings.

Other participants, including the National Kidney Foundation, Horizon NJ Health, Saint Barnabas Health Centers' Cancer Program, HealthyNJ, Newark Department of Child and Family Well-Being, Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, East Orange Health Department, Birchwood Adult Day Care, US Health Resources Services Administration, will be present to answer questions and discuss a wide range of health topics and access to obtaining medical insurance.

For more information on the health fair, please call the office of Professor Weiss at **973.972.4623**.

Founded in 1954, **Rutgers New Jersey Medical School** is the oldest school of medicine in the state. Today it is part of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey and graduates approximately 170 physicians a year. In addition to providing the MD degree, the school offers MD/PhD, MD/MPH and MD/MBA degrees through collaborations with other institutions of higher education. Dedicated to excellence in education, research, clinical care and community outreach, the medical school comprises 22 academic departments and works with several healthcare partners, including its principal teaching hospital, The University Hospital. Its faculty consists of numerous world-renowned scientists and many of the region's “top doctors.” Home to the nation's oldest student-run clinic, New Jersey Medical School hosts more than 50 centers and institutes, including the Public Health Research Institute Center, the Global Tuberculosis Institute and the Neurological Institute of New Jersey. For more information please visit: njms.rutgers.edu