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## CALENDAR

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## Cancer Collaboration to Host 9th Annual Conference on March 27

The New Hampshire Comprehensive Cancer Collaboration (NH CCC) will host its ninth annual conference on March 27 in Concord. More than 200 participants are expected at the event, which will explore how changing policies, systems, and environments can prevent a variety of cancers, while also improving the health of individuals and communities where we live, learn, work, and play.

The conference's keynote speaker, Kari Appler, will explain current tobacco regulation as outlined in the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act.

Ms. Appler, the Chief of the Public Health Liaison Branch in the Office of Policy at the FDA Center for Tobacco Products, will also review steps the Center for Tobacco Products has taken to regulate tobacco products in the four years since passage of the Family Smoking Prevention Act, and discuss ways in which states and communities can contribute to tobacco product regulation.



Kari Appler

"We are very proud to have someone with her knowledge and expertise present at our conference," said Robert (Bob) Gerlach, Associate Director for Administration & Scientific Affairs at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Norris Cotton Cancer Center and Vice-Chair of the NH CCC Board of Directors.

Registrations close March 14. To view the registration form and conference agenda, [click here...](#)

## Nominations Open for 2014 Clint Jones New Hampshire Nursing Award

The Foundation for Healthy Communities is accepting nominations for the 2014 Clint Jones NH Nursing Award. This award recognizes a registered nurse, new to the profession of nursing, who exemplifies the practice of high quality nursing care and demonstrates an exceptional commitment to the nursing profession.

**March 20**  
**MAP-21 Biking & Walking Workshop**

Department of Health and Human Services,  
29 Hazen Drive,  
Concord, NH 9 am-4:30 pm

**March 27**

**NH CCC Annual Conference: Stepping Up to Reduce Cancer Risk Where We Live, Learn, Work, and Play**  
Grappone Conference Center, Concord, NH  
8 am-4 pm



Clint Jones

The deadline for nominations is March 27.

Selection criteria include a demonstration of excellence and enthusiasm in the delivery of patient care; communication with patients, their families and healthcare colleagues; commitment to nursing as a career; and inspiration to other nurses and healthcare professionals as a role model. In particular, the award is designed for an RN who has been in practice at least one year but no more than six years.

This annual award honors the late Clint Jones, who directed the NH Nursing Workforce Partnership through the Foundation for Healthy Communities and was a founder of the NH Nursing Summer Camp Program.

[Click here](#) to find out more about the award, the man it honors, and to download the nomination form.

## Foundation's Marketplace Assisters Work to Meet March 31 Deadline

The Foundation's Marketplace Assister Program is in the final push to help New Hampshire's uninsured get coverage under the Affordable Care Act's Health Insurance Marketplace. The end of the Marketplace's open enrollment period is March 31.

Through a grant from the New Hampshire Health Plan, this newest Foundation program supports eight trained Assisters to be available statewide, to help individuals and families enroll in one of the eleven qualified health plans offered in the Marketplace.

Federal subsidies, based on income, are available to cover the costs of an enrollee's premiums, and for some income levels, to assist with a plan's cost sharing requirements. Marketplace Assisters help individuals to learn what subsidies they are eligible for and to enroll in a plan that best meets their needs.

Built upon the framework of the Foundation's NH Access Network, the Foundation Assister Program coordinates with the Network's hospital and health provider members to educate and reach out to NH's uninsured.

More than 21,000 New Hampshire residents have already signed up for insurance through the Affordable Care Act, which [surpassed federal estimates](#) for the state by more than 2,000 enrollees.

[Click here](#) for a listing of where and when Foundation Marketplace Assisters are available. For more information about NH's Health Insurance Marketplace visit the [Covering New Hampshire](#) website.

## Foundation Offers Summer Internship

The Foundation for Healthy Communities is seeking a motivated college student to participate in a summer internship addressing community health issues in New Hampshire.

Applicants must have completed a minimum of three years of college. This person must demonstrate excellent oral and written communication skills. This is an eight-week internship with stipend. Start date is in late May or June.

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Foundation. Write a letter describing your interest in this internship. Send your letter and resume by March 24 to Noreen Cremin at [ncremin@healthynh.com](mailto:ncremin@healthynh.com)



Vigorous after-school activity for kids is the shared vision of the CATCH Kids Club and ACROSS NH, and that vision is realized thanks to funding from organizations like the Harvard Pilgrim Healthcare Foundation and the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation.

## **ACROSS NH Receives \$10,000 Grant to Fund After-School PE Programs**

Since 2008 the Foundation for Healthy Communities (FHC) in Concord has worked to create healthy environments in after-school programs across the state. With a six-year grant from the Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Foundation, the Foundation has been able to embed the evidence-based CATCH Kids Club curriculum in more than 130 after-school programs in New Hampshire through staff training, equipment and ongoing support.

Now, thanks to a partnership with ACROSS NH (A Comprehensive Resource for Out of School-time Staff) which received a \$10,000 grant from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, the work to create healthier after-school environments can continue. The new grant will provide seven participating after-school programs with funds to purchase curriculum and equipment like hoops, bean bags, balls and scarves - impacting a dozen sites

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MAP-21**  
The Route to Federal  
Funding for Your  
Community

## HEAL-NH to Co-Host Biking and Walking Workshop in Concord March 20

Advocacy Advance - a partnership between the League of American Bicyclists and Alliance for Biking & Walking - is facilitating a Navigating MAP-21 Workshop in Concord on March 20.

These workshops bring together advocates, agency staff, and elected officials and are designed to ensure that participants have the knowledge, skills and resources to access under-utilized federal funding sources at the state, regional and local level to build bicycling and walking infrastructure and programs.

With a focus on the new transportation bill, participants will learn how to maximize funding in the new Transportation Alternatives program and utilize all MAP-21 funding programs for bike/ped at the state and local levels.

[Click here](#) to register for this one-day workshop, hosted by the NH Department of Health and Human Services, [Bike-Walk Alliance of New Hampshire](#) and [HEAL-NH](#).

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