



# News from the Foundation *for* Healthy Communities

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## SAVE THE DATE

**October 1st**

*HEAL NH  
Conference*

8:30am - 4:30pm  
Grappone  
Conference Center  
70 Constitution  
Ave, Concord, NH  
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**November  
17th**

*Foundation for  
Healthy  
Communities  
Fall Forum*

## Announcing the Noah Lord Patient & Family Engagement Award



Noah Lord

The Foundation for Healthy Communities is pleased to announce the **Noah Lord Patient & Family Engagement Award**, in honor of Noah Lord, in recognition of the innovative work being done in New Hampshire to better engage patients and families in order to improve the healthcare being delivered to patients every day.

Noah Lord was a vibrant, fun, silly 4 and a half year old, whose life ended much too soon due to a series of medical errors following a tonsillectomy. Since then, Noah's mother, Tanya, has made it her mission to ensure that providers, patients and the patients' families understand the importance of engaging patients and families at the bedside. The **Noah Lord Patient & Family Engagement Award** will recognize the work being done within hospitals to improve patient safety, quality and the patient experience, and provide a platform to help facilitate the sharing of these stories and best practices.

For more information on the **Noah Lord Patient & Family Engagement Award**, the award criteria and the deadline, click [here](#).

## Communities Launch Falls Prevention Programs



April 2015 Training for  
*A Matter of Balance* Master Trainers

The Falls Prevention Program congratulates the Master Trainers who recently graduated from the *A Matter of Balance* April 2015 training! Master Trainers from ten organizations in Coos County, Carroll County, and the City of Nashua were recruited to

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participate in the training based off the increasing number of falls by older adults within their communities. A Matter of Balance is an award winning, evidence-based program designed to reduce the gear of falling, as well as increase the activity levels and balance of older adults who have concerns of falling. For more information on the Falls Prevention Programs initiative, click [here](#).

## "My Health. My Care." Video Series Now In Spanish

The Foundation was recognized for its significant contributions to Nashua's CHIP implementation efforts, including hands-on efforts by making the "My Health. My Care" video series accessible to Spanish speaking health consumers. Foundation for Healthy Communities Marketplace Assister, Andrea Linares, provided Spanish language translation for the series. Access the video below.



FHC Marketplace Assister Andrea Linares explains health insurance options in both English and Spanish as part of the City of Nashua's Division of Public Health and Community Services "My Health. My Care." video series.

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## ICD-10 Statewide Training



ICD-10 faculty Lynn Kuehn and Gail Smith lead a training session for coding students at Southern New Hampshire University.

In May, the Foundation for Healthy Communities held **ICD-10 PCS: Building Skills for Critical Access Hospitals**, a three-day ICD-10 training for hospital coders in preparation for the impending launch of ICD-10. Facilitated by Lynn Kuehn and Gail Smith, who are nationally recognized experts in medical coding, the workshop was designed to enhance ICD-10 readiness and prep the State's 13 Critical Access Hospitals for the transition from ICD-9, and had over 40 hospital coders in attendance. To date, the ICD-10 workshop has been held at hospitals in Berlin, Lebanon, Littleton and Wolfeboro to over 220 physicians and other providers.

Funding for the workshops was provided by the Health Resources and Services Administration through its Small Hospital Improvement Program.

## HEAL NH Is Catalyst For New Park

The City of Laconia celebrated the grand reopening of Wyatt Park on May 30. Extensive park renovations, championed by neighborhood residents, have made Wyatt Park a safe, family friendly park for all to enjoy. Healthy Eating and Active Living (HEAL) NH provided technical assistance and funding for this project through their Community Grant Program.



Citizens of Laconia hold ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate the reopening of Wyatt Park.