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Healthcare Information to be More Locally Focused

Men's Health Network launches new state-specific health website

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 15, 2007 – In an effort to bring the healthcare debate closer to the communities and families who are most effected, and to better illustrate men's health needs during Men's Health Week (www.menshealthweek.org), Men's Health Network (MHN), today unveiled a new initiative to educate policy makers on state-specific healthcare needs and realities.

To highlight this initiative, MHN launched their State of Men's Health website – www.stateofmenshealth.com . The State of Men's Health campaign was created to educate Americans about a significant, yet widely unaddressed, health-crisis that is happening right in their own communities. Men across our country are suffering and even dying at higher rates from many avoidable and treatable diseases and lifestyles.

The State of Men's Health campaign puts together reports and information, on a state-specific basis, dealing with leading health factors, life-expectancy, disease prevalence and lifestyle practices men are engaged in. Readers can click on their state and read the report in PDF format. By compiling this information, policy-makers and healthcare professionals will be more efficiently able to target limited resources, ensuring the most significant and wide-ranging benefit.

A special state-specific Aging section provides striking data for women who enter retirement, revealing that there are significantly fewer men at retirement age than women in almost every state.

Availability of data varies from state to state and reports are being updated as new data becomes available. To learn more about the State of Men's Health reports, contact MHN at info@menshealthweek.org or (202) 543-6461, ext. 101.

Men's Health Network is a non-profit educational organization comprised of physicians, researchers, public health workers, other health professionals, and individuals. MHN is committed to improving the health and wellness of men and their families through education campaigns, data collection and work with health care providers to provide better programs and funding on men's health needs.

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