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****MEDIA ADVISORY****

Barrow to Host Health Fair in Augusta

Congressman John Barrow (GA-12) has been all over the 12th District, and one thing everybody's worried about is health care. He's working hard in Washington to fix health care, but he wants to do something here at home to help.

On **Friday, April 17, 2009**, Congressman Barrow will be hosting a **Health Fair** for folks in the Augusta area from **10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** at the **Augusta State University Christenberry Fieldhouse located on Wrightsboro Road**. He'll be bringing local health care organizations together in one place, so folks can come and get some of their health care questions answered, get good advice, and learn how to save money on health care.

"Times are tough right now," said Barrow, "but folks can take advantage of these services, get some information about keeping their family healthy, and hopefully get some peace of mind."

Health care professionals will be on hand to administer completely free screenings for high blood pressure and diabetes, give advice on how to save money on prescription drugs, talk about nutrition and fitness, check car seat installations, and even help folks get signed up for health care.

Additionally, University Hospital will be bringing their Mobile Mammography Unit (MMU) to the Health Fair to offer mammograms. They will be taking walk-ins, but interested women should call the MMU at (706) 774-4149 to set up appointments for that day.

The following is a partial list of organizations that will have representatives at Congressman Barrow's Health Fair:

- Lamar Medical Center
- Trinity Hospital
- Richmond County Health Department
- MCG School of Dentistry

- YMCA
- Neighborhood Improvement Project
- Charlie Norwood VA Medical Center

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