

CALENDAR LISTING

CDC GRAND ROUNDS PRESENTS MILLION HEARTS™ ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2012

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On Feb. 21, 2012, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will host the next in a series of Public Health Grand Rounds; this time highlighting the new HHS initiative Million Hearts™, co-led by CDC and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), which brings together communities and clinicians to prevent 1 million heart attacks and strokes over the next five years.

The Million Hearts™ Grand Rounds will feature CDC Director Dr. Tom Frieden and Million Hearts™ Executive Director Dr. Janet Wright as well as key leadership from CMS and prominent partner organizations. The session will highlight details of how Million Hearts™ will reach its goal of preventing a million heart attacks and strokes over the next five years and will demonstrate examples of how federal agencies have aligned their work to improve cardiovascular health across the country.

The session will be available live from 1:00 – 2:00 PM EST or archived at: http://www.cdc.gov/about/grand-rounds/.

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About Million Hearts™

Million Hearts™ is a national initiative launched in September 2011 to prevent 1 million heart attacks and strokes over the next five years. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services are the coleaders of Million Hearts™ within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, working alongside other federal agencies including the National Institutes of Health, the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, and the Food and Drug Administration. Key private-sector partners include the American Heart Association, and YMCA, among others.

Heart disease and stroke are the first and fourth leading causes of death in the United States, making heart disease responsible for one of every three deaths in the country. Million Hearts™ brings together a wide range of heart disease and stroke prevention programs, policies, and activities to raise awareness among health care providers, private-sector organizations, policymakers, and consumers about what can be done to prevent heart disease and stroke in our nation, and help Americans live longer, healthier, more productive lives. To learn more about Million Hearts™ and to pledge your support, visit http://millionhearts.hhs.gov.

About CDC Public Health Grand Rounds

The Public Health Grand Rounds is a monthly webcast created to foster discussion on major public health issues. Each session focuses on key challenges related to a specific health topic, and explores cutting-edge scientific evidence and potential impact of different interventions. The Grand Rounds sessions also highlight how CDC and its partners are already addressing these challenges and discuss the recommendations for future research and practice.

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