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## Health forum set for Codman Square's Great Hall

Wed, 12/01/2010 - 6:00pm

The Boston Public Health Commission, in partnership with the Codman Square Neighborhood Council and the Boston Alliance for Community Health, is hosting a community dialogue on the health status of Codman Square residents. The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 1, at the Great Hall, 6 Norfolk Street, in Dorchester.

The fourth in a series of citywide health forums, the Dorchester meeting is a platform for people living and working in the community to discuss health issues specific to their neighborhood. Participants will hear findings of the latest Health of Boston report, the impact of initiatives like the Codman Square Farmers Market, and opportunities to improve the health of their community.

"We are thrilled to return to Codman Square," said Dr. Barbara Ferrer, executive director of the Boston Public Health Commission. "Dorchester residents are keenly aware that everyone has a role to play in making our communities healthy. As such, we are pleased that the meetings we have held in Dorchester over the past years have been a catalyst for residents to make positive change in their neighborhood."

The Commission, the Codman Square Neighborhood Council, and the Boston Alliance for Community Health are interested in working collaboratively with residents, businesses, community agencies, faith-based institutions, and elected officials to enhance current efforts and to develop creative ideas that will help build a stronger, healthier Dorchester.

"We all have concerns, and/or solutions for change," said Cynthia Loesch, president of the Codman Square Neighborhood Council. "Our goal is to engage YOU in this process."

Representing the youth leaders of the Codman Square Neighborhood Council, B.O.L.D. Teens - which stands for Breath of Life Dorchester - has also helped to organize the event.

"We will highlight the health initiatives taking place in the community and the impact they are having," said Alexandra Chery, B.O.L.D. Teens coordinator. As we focus on peace promotion, substance abuse prevention, and greater wellness, we seek to engage all members of the community."

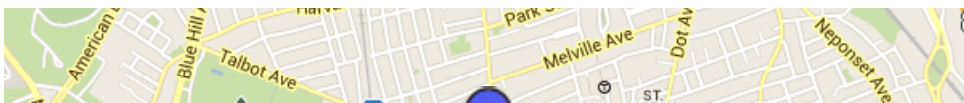
The event is free and open to the public. Light dinner, childcare, and translation services will be provided at no charge. For more information, contact Pam Jones at 617-534-7195, [pjones@bphc.org](mailto:pjones@bphc.org) or Rev. Bill Loesch 617-265-4189, [bill.loesch@codman.org](mailto:bill.loesch@codman.org).

### Location

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Dorchester, MA 02124

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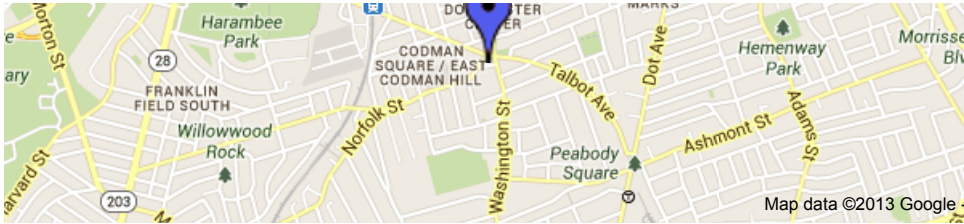
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