Meetings on Capitol Hill with New Hampshire Members of Congress

The largest annual gathering of Community Health Center advocates happens this week

WASHINGTON D.C. – March 12, 2018 – On Capitol Hill this week, thousands of advocates from Community Health Centers nationwide are meeting with their Members of Congress. New Hampshire Health Center providers, administrators, board members and patients will join Bi-State Primary Care Association in meetings with the Congressional Delegation to present information and discuss population health issues, including access to telehealth, veteran services, homelessness, and behavioral health services in New Hampshire.

In recognition of their unyielding support of health care access for all, especially for medically underserved populations, New Hampshire’s Congressional Delegation members: Sen. Jean Shaheen, Sen. Maggie Hassan, Rep. Ann McLane Kuster and Rep. Carol Shea-Porter, will each be presented with a Community Health Award from the National Association of Community Health Centers. “The New Hampshire Congressional delegation’s successful bipartisan effort to restore and extend funding for Community Health Centers and the National Health Service Corps ensures Granite Staters will continue to have access to effective and affordable primary care and support services,” said Tess Stack Kuenning, CNS, MS, RN, President/CEO, Bi-State Primary Care Association. “We express our sincere appreciation to them for protecting the health and well-being of their constituents and the rest of the country.”

Bipartisan Congressional support for the Community Health Center program has remained strong through every Republican and Democratic Administration since its inception in 1965. The program has grown from two small health centers established in Cambridge, Massachusetts and Mound Bayou, Mississippi, to 1,400 Community Health Centers nationwide, serving more than 27 million patients, and offering integrated medical, oral, and behavioral health care services, including substance use disorder treatment. Find a health center in New Hampshire or Vermont.

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Bi-State Primary Care Association is a nonpartisan, 501(c)(3) charitable organization representing New Hampshire and Vermont’s 28 Community Health Centers currently providing primary care to more than 317,000 patients at 126 sites. Bi-State promotes access to high quality, cost-effective primary health care with a special emphasis on access for underserved and vulnerable populations. Bi-State Primary Care Association was founded in 1986 and has offices in Bow, New Hampshire, and Montpelier, Vermont.