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**FCC TO HOST BROADBAND HEALTH MAPPING WEBINAR**

Washington, D.C. – The Federal Communications Commission’s Connect2Health Task Force and the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau’s Office of Intergovernmental Affairs today announced a jointly-hosted webinar to further explore the potential of the recently launched *Mapping Broadband Health in America* platform for the public sector. This free, one-hour “deeper-dive” webinar is particularly tailored to the needs and interests of state and local government offices and agencies, and will be held on Thursday, November 10, 2016.

*Mapping Broadband Health in America* (available at [www.fcc.gov/health/maps](http://www.fcc.gov/health/maps)), is a web-based mapping platform created by the Connect2HealthFCC Task Force to drive more efficient, data-driven decision making at the intersection of broadband and health. Users can generate customized, county-level maps that drive action ― displaying broadband access, adoption and speed data alongside various health outcomes, access and quality measures (e.g., obesity, diabetes, and physician access) in urban and rural areas. The mapping platform can be used by both public and private sectors and local communities to identify gaps and opportunities in connected health.

**Mapping Connected Health County by County**

*November 10, 2-3 p.m. EDT*

This webinar will focus on how state and local government offices, agencies and other local community stakeholders can effectively use the *Mapping Broadband Health in America* platform. Key audiences for the webinar include federal, state and local agencies and offices that address health, connectivity, technology and/or rural development.

The webinar will feature:

* An overview of the power of the platform, showcasing the broadband, health and rural “filters” that drive the functionality;
* Step-by-step instructions and user scenarios tailored to how agencies can use the platform to drive broadband health efforts in their respective areas and communities;
* Information on how agency web developers and data experts can incorporate their own proprietary or public datasets of interest into the mapping platform – our so-called, “open integration” model; and
* An opportunity to pose questions about the broadband health mapping platform to Connect2HealthFCC experts.

Webinar Presenters:

* Dr. Yahya Shaikh, Chief Data Officer at Greystone Health IT Solutions and Senior Consultant to the Connect2HealthFCC Task Force;
* Karen Onyeije, Chief of Staff, Connect2HealthFCC Task Force; and
* Katie Gorscak, Director of Communications, Connect2HealthFCCTask Force.

The webinar will be available via WebEx. To register, go to <https://www.fcc.gov/news-events/events/2016/11/mapping-connected-health-county-county>. On the event information page click on the registration link, provide the required information, and then click on “Submit” to complete your registration. Once registered you will receive a confirmation email with instructions for joining the event, the password, and the link for the meeting.

Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities are available upon request. Please include a description of the accommodation you will need. Individuals making such requests must include their contact information should FCC staff need to contact them for more information. Requests should be made as early as possible. Please send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau: 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

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