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North County San Diego's Views on Health Care Included in National Report

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The San Diego Deliberation Network ([SDDN](http://www.SDDN.org)) and the [Oceanside Public Library](http://www.oceansidepubliclibrary.org) are conducting a public forum on health care at the Oceanside Public Library, 330 N. Coast Highway, Civic Center Library Community Rooms, Oceanside, on Wed., Feb. 17, 2016 from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. *Members of the public are invited to attend; pre-registration is required. To register, go to: <http://www.SDDN.org/contact-sheet.html>*

The Feb. 17th forum is one of hundreds of similar forums being held across the country as part of a national deliberation project on health care costs sponsored by the Kettering Foundation, the National Issues Forums, the National Coalition of Dialogue and Deliberation and other nationwide good governance groups. As one of the Kettering Foundation's Centers for Public Life, SDDN was invited to sponsor local forums so that views from the San Diego region can be included in a national report. The report will be presented to policymakers at a national gathering called *A Public Voice*, scheduled for May 5, 2016 in Washington, DC.

Using the National Issues Forums discussion guide, ***Health Care: How Can We Reduce Costs and Still Get the Care We Need?*** as the basis for public input, members of SDDN will lead participants in table conversations and deliberations. These are not debates, but rather opportunities to address problems that can't be solved by one group of people or one institution. Problems such as health care require broad public participation to find acceptable options and solutions.

The Feb. 17th Forum co-sponsors, SDDN and the Oceanside Public Library and the endorsers (see page 2) share a common mission to promote rich civic engagement for the people of the region.

The public is encouraged to register for this free, community forum. For more information, go to: <http://www.SDDN.org>

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