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SHIRE's Events

On March 27, 2007 from 8:30-11 AM, U.S. Congresswoman Donna Christensen will keynote a screening of the film *Unnatural Causes: Is Inequality Making Us Sick?*, with a moderated discussion to follow. The event, named "Beyond Health Disparities: Arc to Justice," will be held at the *Marvin Center, Room 405, 800 21st St. NW, Washington, DC*. To register, visit: <http://www.gwumc.edu/sphhs/events/arcToJustice.cfm>. Contact Katelyn Fleming at (202) 416-0063 or hsmkef@gwumc.edu for details.

On March 29, 2007 from 11:30 AM-2 PM, SHIRE will host the fourth meeting of the Early Childhood Obesity Collaborative at THEARC, 1901 Mississippi Ave, SE, Washington, DC 20020. Contact Canary Girardeau at cgirardeau@shireinc.org for details.

On April 7, 2007, SHIRE will coordinate with public television and radio station WETA, Sesame Street Workshop and Kaiser Permanente to host a workshop on *Healthy Habits for Life* for childcare providers in Washington, DC. The workshop in English will be on April 7, 2007; the workshop in Spanish will be on April 11, 2007. Contact Canary Girardeau at cgirardeau@shireinc.org for details.

On April 19 and 20, SHIRE will participate in the upcoming *Congressional Black Caucus Spring Braintrust*, "The Health and Wellness of the African-American Male: America's Challenge; Our Imperative." A welcome reception on April 19 will be from 6 to 8 PM. The Braintrust on April 20 will commence at 8 AM and end at 5 PM in the Cannon Caucus Room. Contact Britt Weinstock at britt.weinstock@mail.house.gov for details.

May 14-18 is HIMSS' National Health IT Week, and this year SHIRE is a national partner. On **Friday, May 18**, SHIRE is co-sponsoring with HIMSS a Congressional Education Session on the topic: "Health IT: No Community Left Behind." The session will be in Room SD-628 in the Dirksen Senate Office Building, from 12 noon to 1:30 p.m. Speakers include Congressman Ed Towns (invited), Claudia Schlosberg, Blank Rome, and Dr. Garth Graham, Office of Minority Health, DHHS. Contact Rochelle Carpenter at rcarpenter@shireinc.org if you plan to attend. Lunch will be provided.

Other HIMSS events are:

Tuesday, May 15 – Please register and attend Advocacy Day at the Washington Court Hotel, which starts at 8:00 a.m. The National Health IT Week Reception and Awards Ceremony at the Capitol Hill Club, 300 First Street, S.E. starting at 5 p.m. Contact Blair Hedgepeth about Advocacy Day (bhedgepeth@himss.org) and Mari Franks about the reception (mfranks@himss.org)

Wednesday, May 16 – Attend a Capitol Hill HIT Solutions Showcase from 3-5 p.m. in Room G-50, Dirksen Senate Office Building. Contact Jonathan French at jfrench@himss.org

Check www.healthweek.org for information about other National Health IT Week activities.