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Kick COVID-19 Community Corps to Host Free Community Wellness Fair and Vaccine Clinic

Sunday, Nov. 14, 12-4 p.m., West Scranton High School

Scranton, Pa., Nov. 8, 2021 – Kick COVID-19 Community Corps is hosting a free community wellness fair and vaccine clinic on Sunday, November 14, from 12 to 4 p.m., at West Scranton High School. This public event will feature the following and all are welcome:

- A series of 15-minute, multilingual, educational presentations on the COVID-19 vaccines, plus COVID shots for ages 5 and up (all brands and doses, including boosters)
- Important health screenings and flu shots for all ages
- Diverse health care professionals to answer vaccine-related questions, one-on-one
- Health and social service information, education, resources
- Games, prizes, activities, refreshments, and more
- Face masks required for everyone over age 2!

Lisa Durkin, president and CEO of United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA and a Kick COVID partner, stated, "After the past year of shutdowns and remote everything, we are absolutely thrilled to help our community catch up on important health screenings missed due to the pandemic or otherwise, and especially to provide the public with the opportunity for to hear from and speak directly with diverse health care professionals in their own language."

Gary Drapek, president and CEO of United Way of Lackawanna and Wayne Counties and also a Kick COVID partner, added "Unfortunately, we see the real impacts of vaccine misinformation every day. There's simply no better way to beat misinformation than to connect the public with trained professionals who build their lives on science, medicine, and health. This event offers exactly that opportunity!"

Some participating providers/vendors and sponsors of this event include: Allied Services; City of Scranton; Community Justice Project; Delta Medix, PC; DePietro's Pharmacy; Greater Scranton YMCA; The Greenhouse Project; Head Start; Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh; Hometown Health Care of NEPA; Maternal & Family Health Services; Medicap Pharmacy; Lackawanna County; NAACP Lackawanna County Branch; NEPA Youth Shelter; Scranton Area Ministerium; Pleasure of Your Company Dog Therapy; Serving Seniors; The Wright Center; United Cerebral Palsy; United Way of Lackawanna and Wayne Counties; United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA.

Kick COVID-19 Community Corps is a collaborative between Lackawanna County, the City of Scranton, local healthcare providers, social service agencies, faith groups, cultural organizations, economic and educational institutions, and volunteers. Our mission is to stop the spread of COVID-19 through a grassroots campaign that educates, informs, and motivates the region's most



vulnerable populations to be vaccinated and encourages meaningful acts of service. Kick COVID is a member of HHS COVID-19 Community Corps.

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