



# News Release

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## Summit County Executive Russell M. Pry, County Council to Sponsor Health Care Community Discussion

On Tuesday, December 30, 2008, at 7 p.m., Summit County Executive Russell M. Pry, in collaboration with Summit County Council, will be sponsoring a Health Care Community Discussion at the Akron Children's Hospital Considine Professional Building, Auditorium, located at 215 West Bowery Street in downtown Akron. The public is welcome.

The purpose of the event is to provide President-elect Barack Obama's transition team with information on the key health care issues affecting the citizens of Summit County. Fresh ideas on how best to provide quality, affordable health care for all Americans are also welcomed.

Health Care Community Discussions are being held across the country between December 15<sup>th</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>. The community discussions are part of President-elect Barack Obama's continuing efforts to reach out and directly involve the American people in their own government.

"This community discussion will provide our citizens with an open forum to express their concerns about skyrocketing health care costs, health care for the uninsured and more," said Summit County Executive Russell M. Pry. "I am looking forward to hearing from citizens and gathering their suggestions on health care reform."

"This forum will provide Summit County residents with an opportunity for their voice to be heard and to participate in a discussion that will hopefully help shape national policy on health care," stated Summit County Council Member Paula Prentice.

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Representatives from county government offices will be on-site to collect the views from citizens and report the information back to the Presidential Transition Health Policy Team.

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