

EAST NEWARK ANNOUNCES THE AVAILABILITY OF FREE OR LOW COST MAMMOGRAPHY AND PROSTATE SCREENING

East Newark Mayor Joseph R. Smith and the Borough Council announced that Borough residents may be able to avail themselves of free or low cost screenings for breast cancer and prostate cancer through a program offered by the Metropolitan Family Health Centers. Smith also announced by resolution of the Mayor and Governing Body that October, 2014 has been declared as National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in the Borough of East Newark.

Smith stated that Borough residents may fill out an initial eligibility form in the Borough offices for evaluation for eligibility. For women the ages range consideration is between 35 and 64 years of age for a mammography and between 21 and 64 years of age for a pap smear. For men the age is between 50 and 64 for prostate and colon screenings. The person requesting the screening must either have no health coverage or indicate that their current plan will not pay for the mammography, pap smear or prostate/colon screenings.

Smith stated that the initial forms are available in the Office of the East Newark Borough Clerk, 34 Sherman Avenue, East Newark during normal business hours and on Monday and Wednesday between the hours of 5 P.M. to 7 P.M. Please do not call the offices as the forms must be filled out and submitted in person.

Smith is urging all available Borough residents to avail themselves of this service, both women and men. "Early detection is paramount for treatment with both breast and prostate cancer and all preventive health care measures are extremely important to maintain health" Smith stated.

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