



## State of New Jersey

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#### Special Invitation from the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services

Dear Organization Leader,

Each of us benefits from a healthy community and you have been identified as a key ingredient in creating a healthy community. This is why we are inviting you to participate in this “by invitation only” conference for representatives of government, business and community organizations.

When you think about community health, what comes to your mind? Medical care? Insurance? Prescription medication? While they constitute a large cost, they actually play a small role in community health.

Factors that influence community health are things like sidewalks that are safe to use, readily available fresh fruits and vegetables, clean air both indoors and outside, safe areas for children and adults to play, and transportation to get to a job, a food store, or a health care provider.

Did you know that where people live, learn, work, and play has a tremendous impact on their health? Whose responsibility is it to ensure conditions to support their health and encourage them to make healthy choices? This certainly goes well beyond medical care.

To learn more about these issues and what ingredient you bring to the table, please attend or send your representative to “Stone Soup: A Recipe for a Healthy Community.”

Date: Tuesday, June 14, 2011  
Time: 8 AM – 3:30 PM (see attached agenda)  
Place: The Conference Center at Mercer County Community College  
1200 Old Trenton Road  
West Windsor, NJ 08550  
Directions: [http://conferencecenteratmercer.mccc.edu/contact\\_direction.shtml](http://conferencecenteratmercer.mccc.edu/contact_direction.shtml)  
Fee: None  
RSVP: By June 8 - Space is limited. Register by phone or email:

- Call the NJDHSS Office of Local Public Health at 609-292-4993. Ask to register for “Stone Soup.”
- You can also register by emailing [olph@njlincs.net](mailto:olph@njlincs.net) with your name, title, organization and phone number. Someone will call you to confirm.

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