



IMPROVING COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENT SUCCESS BY PREVENTING UNPLANNED PREGNANCY

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The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy and Child Trends,
along with honorary co-hosts Representatives Michael Castle (R-DE), Rosa DeLauro (D-CT), and Tim Ryan (D-OH)
FOR A CAPITOL HILL BRIEFING

NOVEMBER 17, 2009

10:00am-11:30am

Capitol Visitor's Center (SVC 203/202)

MODERATORS: David Baime, Vice President for Government Affairs at The American Association of Community Colleges and Andrea Kane, Senior Director of Policy and Partnerships at the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy.

PANELISTS: Lina Guzman, Senior Research Scientist at Child Trends will present preliminary findings from qualitative research with community college students in Maryland.

Three college officials will discuss steps they are taking to address unplanned pregnancy among community college students:

- **Hon. Margaret Rose Henry**, Delaware State Senator and Assistant Dean of Student Services at Delaware Technical and Community College-Wilmington/Stanton campus,
- **Linda J. Roberts, Ph.D.**, Professor and Chair, Human Development and Family Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and
- **Jim Walters**, Director of Student Life at Montgomery College-Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus.

CONGRESSIONAL SPEAKERS: Rep. Rosa DeLauro and others to be announced.

Please RSVP to Chelsey Storin at (202) 478-8519 or cstorin@thenc.org.

WHY IT MATTERS

There are 11.5 million students in community colleges, representing nearly half (46%) of all undergraduate students in the United States, but not all of them will graduate. For many students, an unplanned pregnancy could mean the difference between a student dropping out of school or receiving a degree. In fact, 61% of community college students who have children after enrolling don't finish their education, which is 65% higher than the rate for those who didn't have children. A recent study by the Health Services Association of California Community Colleges found that 5.4% of students attending California community colleges reported having an unintended pregnancy, more than twice the percent of students (2.4%) from primarily four-year colleges and universities nationally.

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