



Harris County Hospital District

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MEDIA RELEASE

Hospital District Hosting Free Chronic Pain Conference

HOUSTON (Aug. 15, 2006) – The Harris County Hospital District and the National Chronic Pain Society are hosting a “Living with Chronic Pain” conference for all individuals who suffer from chronic pain, their caregivers, and anyone interested in the issue.

Speakers will include Rachel Winer, Ph.D., a licensed clinical psychologist who lives with chronic pain; and Helen Dearman, founder and executive director of the National Chronic Pain Society who is currently co-authoring the book, “The Changing Face of Pain.”

Discussion topics will include: “How to be professional as a patient without being a professional patient” and “Pain vs. Suffering.” An open panel discussion will be held with pain management health care providers.

Seating is limited to the first 150 people. Lunch and free parking will be provided. For additional questions or to RSVP, call Angela Russell at 713-873-4775.

- WHAT:** Living with Chronic Pain Conference
- WHEN:** 10 a.m.– 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept 30, 2006
- WHERE:** Ben Taub General Hospital’s Amphitheater
1504 Taub Loop, in the Texas Medical Center
- PARKING:** Ben Taub Parking Garage (parking is free)

The Harris County Hospital District is the public health care system for the nation’s third most populous county. It provides more than 1.1 million health care visits each year to uninsured, underinsured and medically needy residents of Harris County. The Hospital District operates Ben Taub General Hospital, Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital, Quentin Mease Community Hospital, 12 community health centers, a dental center, seven school-based clinics, 13 homeless shelter clinics and four mobile health units.

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