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Coping with the Cost of Health Care: *How Do We Pay for What We Need?*

ABILENE, Kan.—The rising costs of health care in today’s slow economy is a growing concern for many Americans. The Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum is hosting a public forum entitled *Coping with the Cost of Health Care*. The discussion will be held in the Visitors Center Auditorium on Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. This forum discussion is an opportunity to provide input and feedback on this important public policy issue. The meeting is free and the public is encouraged to come and participate.

This is the third forum in a series of three cosponsored by K-State’s Institute for Civic Discourse and Democracy (ICDD). At the end of each discussion, participants are asked to complete an evaluation and feedback form. This information is forwarded to the National Issues Forums Institute (NIFI) to develop a summary report. The report is made available to all citizens, public office holders, news media, etc.

“These public forums are a perfect match to the Kansas Town Hall Initiative we’ve started. It furthers our goal of enhancing civic literacy and engaging the public in the democratic experience,” said Karl Weissenbach, director of the Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum.

The NIFI has collaborated with the Presidential Libraries of the National Archives and Records Administration. Various public forums are being held at each of the presidential libraries across the nation. NIFI is a 25-year-old nonpartisan, nationwide network of locally sponsored forums for the consideration of public policy issues. Forums are rooted in the simple notion that citizens need to come together to reason and talk — to deliberate about common problems.

For reservations, please call 785-263-6700 or toll free 1-877-RING IKE. The Eisenhower Presidential Library and Museum is one of twelve presidential libraries operated by the National Archives and Records Administration. To learn more, please visit www.eisenhower.archives.gov.

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The proudest thing I can claim is that I am from Abilene.
Dwight D. Eisenhower, Homecoming Speech, Abilene, Kansas, June 22, 1945

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