Maine's Office of Affordable Health Care 2024 Annual Affordability Public Hearing 1pm, Wednesday, 9/25/24

Augusta, ME — The Office of Affordable Health Care (OAHC) will hold its **2024 Annual Affordability Public Hearing** on **Wednesday, September 25, 2024**, at **1:00 PM** at **109 Capitol Street, Augusta, ME**.

The <u>Office of Affordable Health Care (OAHC)</u> was created as a result of legislation sponsored by Senate President Troy Jackson in 2021. The Office is charged with analyzing healthcare cost growth trends, the quality of healthcare, and healthcare spending trends in order to make recommendations to reduce healthcare cost growth and improve the quality of healthcare in Maine.

The Office is required to convene an annual public hearing on cost trends and barriers to healthcare affordability and provide an opportunity for public comment.

The hearing allows the OAHC to gather valuable input and data directly from those most affected by healthcare policies, helping to inform decisions that impact access, cost, and quality of care. By encouraging public participation, the hearing ensures that healthcare solutions are more inclusive, transparent, and responsive to the needs of all Maine residents.

The hearing will start with an update on the OAHC activities, including a new data analyses created in 2024. The update will be followed with public comments.

This hearing presents an opportunity for coverage of one of Maine's most pressing public policy issues. The testimony and discussions will offer valuable insights into the affordability challenges facing healthcare consumers in Maine.

Event Details:

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Date: Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: Maine Department of Health and Human Services, 109 Capitol Street, Augusta, ME

For further details on the public hearing, please visit OAHC's 2024 Public Hearing page here.

Consumers for Affordable Health Care is a Maine-based, nonprofit, private organization on a mission to advocate the right to quality, affordable health care for every person in Maine.