

The Gift of Health Caring at End of Life

PATIENT-FOCUSED ORGANIZATION REACHES OUT TO EDUCATE CHICAGOANS

CHICAGO, Dec. 2 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Continuing its efforts to educate, inform, and empower the people of Chicago, SAVE THE PATIENT, a not-for-profit patient-focused organization, is hosting its 25-minute live call-in show, "Community Health," on Chicago Access Network (CAN-TV) on Monday, December 8, 2008, at 6:00 PM on Channel 21.

Monday's program will feature a frank discussion with Dr. Alice Daniele, Hospitalist and Palliative Care Physician regarding end of life care and remind viewers that during this holiday season, the greatest gift you can give your loved ones is a sense of security that they are carrying out your wishes and doing what you would have wanted.

The goal of the series is to give everyday people the confidence to enact their patient rights, so that they can effectively manage their families' health encounters.

All the efforts of SAVE THE PATIENT promote positive and productive interactions between patients and medical professionals by encouraging individuals to know and implement their rights to ask questions, receive understandable answers, and explore medical options. "SAVE THE PATIENT's mission is to assist the public in becoming better health care consumers," noted President and Founder Lenore Janecek.

Viewers who wish to join discussions can call-in to pose questions or share concerns. "This new televised platform gives Chicago's diverse population a voice in matters affecting their use of health care," explained Janecek. "The open discussion format is designed to help mend the disparity between the wealth of health care resources available and the lack of people who are actually aware of them." Ms. Janecek, a nationally known health care expert and author, is the host of this groundbreaking program.

Check your local cable television listings for scheduled air times. For additional information call: CAN-TV at 312-738-1400 or e-mail savethepatient@aol.com.

SAVE THE PATIENT(SM) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the support and education of individuals on health care matters. Founded in 2001 to fulfill the need for a non-biased, non-commercial community based non-profit organization to educate, inform, and empower patients as they attempt to make sound health care decisions, SAVE THE PATIENT provides information and education through patient advocacy, community outreach, educational seminars and its signature tool: the *Health Caring Card*.

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