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## SAVE THE DATE: FCC TO HOLD BROADBAND HEALTH EVENTS IN FLORIDA

Connect2Health<sup>FCC</sup> Task Force Partnering with Mayo Clinic and AARP; Featuring Executive-Level Policy Summit and Site Visit to State of the Art Telehealth Command Center

Washington, D.C. – On September 30 and October 1, 2015, the Federal Communications Commission's Connect2Health Task Force will travel to Jacksonville and Miami, Florida, to highlight how broadbandenabled health technologies can transform health and care for seniors, children and people with disabilities. As our population ages and more Americans assume caregiving tasks for family members, broadband health technologies hold great promise to help address access to care issues, facilitate the next-generation of caregiving and provide new self-management tools.

The scheduled events are part of the Connect2Health<sup>FCC</sup> Task Force's "Beyond the Beltway Series" to reach out broadly about the transformative power of broadband technologies and next-generation communications services to improve access to health and care services throughout the country, especially in rural and underserved areas.

WHAT: Connect2Health<sup>FCC</sup> Beyond the Beltway Series: Florida

FCC will partner with the Mayo Clinic and AARP for a series of events in Florida focused on broadband-enabled technologies for older Americans and people with disabilities. The events will feature FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler, FCC Commissioner Mignon Clyburn, and the Connect2Health FCC Task Force. The trip will also include a site visit to the Nicklaus Children's Hospital Telehealth Command Center to explore a state of the art telehealth operation that could serve as one model for addressing the needs of older Americans and other underserved populations.

- Miami: Connecting Seniors to Care
  - Connect2Health<sup>FCC</sup> joins AARP for a consumer event focused on connecting seniors to digital tools, featuring a health and technology showcase.
- Jacksonville: Building Broadband Health Ecosystems in Florida and Beyond

Connect2Health<sup>FCC</sup> is co-hosting a policy summit with the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, featuring industry leaders, innovators, telehealth practitioners, public policy thinkers, health care providers, rural telehealth experts and more.

A trip agenda, providing additional details about the events will be released at a later date. Details also will be posted on <a href="https://www.fcc.gov/health">www.fcc.gov/health</a>.

WHEN: Wednesday, September 30, 2015 (Miami); and Thursday, October 1, 2015 (Jacksonville)

WHO: *Miami*: Consumers (including seniors and their caregivers), consumer advocates, elder care organizations, health technology innovators, and others interested in learning more

about digital health tools for seniors.

Jacksonville: Policymakers, industry leaders, health technology innovators, consumer advocates, clinicians, health insurers, rural health organizations, academic institutions and others interested in leveraging technology to help address the health needs of seniors and people with disabilities in more efficient and effective ways. Space is limited for this event. Please e-mail <a href="mailto:connect2health@fcc.gov">connect2health@fcc.gov</a> with "Registration" in the subject line and provide your name, organization affiliation and contact information.

QUESTIONS: Please contact Katie Gorscak at <u>Katie.Gorscak@fcc.gov</u>, 202-418-2156; or Roger Goldblatt at Roger.Goldblatt@fcc.gov, 202-418-1035.

Exhibit space is also available for the September 30<sup>th</sup> consumer event in Miami at no cost for entities who offer broadband-enabled digital health technology solutions dedicated to addressing the health needs of seniors and people with disabilities. To request participation, contact Roger Goldblatt at <a href="Roger.Goldblatt@fcc.gov">Roger.Goldblatt@fcc.gov</a> or 202-418-1035 by 5 p.m. on Friday, August 14, 2015.

More information about the Connect2Health<sup>FCC</sup> Task Force is available at www.fcc.gov/health.

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