



# Maternal and Child Health Coalition of Greater Kansas City

## Press Release

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### **Healthy Motherhood: A Celebration of Mind, Body & Spirit**

Kansas City, MO- The Maternal and Child Health Coalition will host a luncheon on Wednesday, May 2, 2007 at the Hyatt Regency Crown Center, downtown from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. to celebrate the mind, body and spirit of healthy motherhood. This luncheon also celebrates the 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of Kansas City Healthy Start; a bi-state program serving eligible mothers and children in the greater Kansas City area.

Belinda Pettiford, President of the National Healthy Start Association will deliver a keynote speech focusing on the history and purpose of the national Healthy Start program and accomplishments of the Kansas City Healthy Start program. Luncheon attendees will also hear about the Kansas City Healthy Start program from one of the participants Myia Johnson, who will talk about how the program has helped her family. The event emcee is Ms. Cynthia Newsom, News Anchor from NBC/Channel 41 Action News.

This luncheon will benefit the programs of Maternal and Child Health Coalition including the Kansas City Healthy Start Program, Safe Kids Metro KC, Mid America Immunization Coalition, Breastfeeding Taskforce, and Child Obesity Prevention-Weighing in Coalition.

Tickets for this event are available for \$50 each and table for ten at \$500 at [www.mchc.net](http://www.mchc.net)

Maternal and Child Health Coalition promotes the health of mothers and children through community planning, education, advocacy and collaboration with organizations addressing infant mortality, immunization, childhood obesity, maternal health and child safety. For more information about this event, please contact Angha Childress at Maternal and Child Health Coalition, 6400 Prospect, Suite 216, Kansas City, Missouri, 64132, office phone (816) 283-6242, ext. 249.

**Interviews are available upon request. Photos and background materials will be available at <http://www.mchc.net/PressReleases.htm>**

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