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Dine with Best-Selling Author

Read and Discuss T.R. Reid's 'The Healing of America: A Global Quest for Better, Cheaper, and Fairer Health Care'

Carlisle, PA — Cumberland County Library System, along with public libraries in nine south central counties, has joined with Aligning Forces for Quality-South Central PA and WITF to encourage area residents to discuss health care in their community and to identify ways it can be improved. To start the conversation, libraries are inviting residents to participate in “A Summer Reid” - a special summer reading program that is based on New York Times bestselling author T. R. Reid’s book, *The Healing of America: A Global Quest for Better, Cheaper, and Fairer Health Care*.

People who read the book and participate in library-sponsored discussions, or discussions with their own book groups, can complete a survey to be entered into a drawing to win a copy of the book, attend a private book signing with T.R. Reid and enjoy an invitation-only dinner hosted by Aligning Forces for Quality-South Central PA on Wednesday, September 11, 2013 to hear the author speak. Thirty winners will be chosen.

In the book, T.R. Reid explains the handling of health care in other countries. He shares the details of his survey of successful, affordable universal health care systems. Using plain-English explanations, T.R. Reid makes the state of health care in the United States and around the world more understandable.

Jonelle Prether Darr, Executive Director of Cumberland County Library System, remarked that “Libraries are well equipped to help people improve their knowledge about the quality of health care. We are delighted to be part of this partnership.”

Copies of *The Healing of America* are available for loan (at no charge) at libraries in Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Perry, and York counties. A readers guide and copies of the survey are available at www.transforminghealth.org. Surveys are also available in libraries and must be submitted by August 30, 2013 to be entered in the drawing.

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