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Insurance Commissioner Candidates Describe their Plans for the Office in the Context of the New Health Care Law

*Georgians for a Healthy Future and Voices for Georgia's Children Release Survey Responses from
All Three Insurance Commissioner Candidates on Health Insurance Issues*

Atlanta, Georgia – Georgians for a Healthy Future and Voices for Georgia's Children today released a publication featuring responses from all three candidates for Insurance Commissioner on eight vital questions about their approach to health insurance regulation in the context of the new health care law. The American Diabetes Association and the Georgia Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society joined these two organizations in the official publication release today. Click [here](#) to download the guide.

On Election Day, Georgia voters will head to the polls to elect our state's policymakers. One of these offices is State Insurance Commissioner. With the recent enactment of the new health care law, our next Insurance Commissioner's decisions will play an important role in shaping Georgia's health insurance system for consumers.

"Georgia's next Insurance Commissioner will be empowered to make vital decisions that impact the way Georgia consumers interact with the health insurance system," said Cindy Zeldin, Executive Director of Georgians for a Healthy Future.

"Quality, affordable health coverage optimizes the health and wellbeing of Georgia's children and families and ensures a healthy, productive workforce to grow our state's economy," said Joann Yoon, Associate Policy Director for Child Health at Voices for Georgia's Children.



While the Insurance Commissioner alone is not responsible for the health of Georgia constituents, he or she will be one of a key group of elected and appointed state officials who together will implement different components of the new health law to maximize benefits for Georgians.

Candidates responded to questions about their respective approaches to educating consumers on their rights, setting up the new health insurance exchanges authorized under the Affordable Care Act, and collaborating with other state agencies, among other questions. All candidate responses were published unedited in their entirety.

The publication is available for download on the website of Georgians for a Healthy Future at www.healthyfuturega.org under Resources.

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Georgians for a Healthy Future is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization with a mission to build and mobilize a unified voice, vision and leadership to achieve a healthy future for all Georgians. Voices for Georgia's Children is an independent, non-profit advocacy organization speaking up for the well being of the state's children.

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