

# AFRICAN AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

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## **WQED Will Join With the African American Chamber of Commerce To Present Diabetes Workshop**

**(Pittsburgh, PA – November 3, 2011)** The African American Chamber of Commerce of Western Pennsylvania is set to hold the fourth in a series of diabetes workshops on November 17, 2011 at WQED Multimedia in Oakland. The focus of the workshop will be a documentary produced by WQED. The film "Living With Diabetes" examines the lives of residents in the Pittsburgh region who are living with the disease. Also included in the workshop will be a presentation by Terri Reidman, Associate Director of the American Diabetes Association, Western Pennsylvania, and a member of the Chamber's Diabetes Planning Team.

The African American Chamber of Commerce is conducting a two year program entitled "Diabetes: The Silent Killer, Self Management of a Chronic Disease". **The Western Pennsylvania region now has the highest incidence of diabetes among African Americans in the nation?** The program was developed to address the epidemic level of diabetes in this area, its impact on residents, and the economic implication for this region. It consists of eight workshops on the awareness, prevention, and treatment/management options with a focus on all small business owners and professionals.

The workshops are provided, at no cost, as a public service of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western Pennsylvania. For more information, and to confirm attendance, call 412-392-0610.

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