

The Macon County Diabetes Coalition

**Satellite Conference and Live Webcast
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State Survey

- **About 1 in 10 people in Alabama has been diagnosed with diabetes**
- **Thousands of others are unaware that they have this disease**
- **Diabetes is the 6th leading cause of death in Alabama**

Survey

- **Diabetes contributes directly to the occurrence of**
 - **Heart disease**
 - **Stroke**
 - **Kidney disease**
 - **Non-traumatic amputations and adult onset blindness**

Diabetes Coalition

- **An organization that has formed around the problem of diabetes, including**
 - **Project planning**
 - **Implementing and evaluating certain projects**

Diabetes Coalition

- **Resulted specifically from a workshop with CDC, Emory University and others conducted at the Kellogg Conference Center in Tuskegee, Alabama more than six years ago**

Diabetes Coalition

- Tuskegee AHEC (TAHEC, Inc.) saw the value in continuing the focus of diabetes as a way of helping to reduce the incidence of type II diabetes and subsequently improve the health care status of residents of Macon County, Alabama

6th Annual Diabetes Workshop

- When
 - June 19, 2009
- Where
 - Kellogg Conference Tuskegee, AL

6th Annual Diabetes Workshop

- Purpose
 - Dual track workshop providing continuing education for physicians, nurses, pharmacists, and social workers
 - Other track addresses the needs of those living with “diabetes,” their caregivers and others

6th Annual Diabetes Workshop

- A healthy meal will be served for lunch
- Healthy am and pm break
- Cost
 - \$35.00 for health care providers and others
 - Cost of lunch is included

6th Annual Diabetes Workshop

- Everyone is encouraged come and see the latest and greatest gadgets and devices that make living with diabetes and optimal experience

Macon County Diabetes Coalition Makeup

- Staff at the Tuskegee Area Health Education Center
- VA
- Community residents
- Tuskegee University

Contact Information

- **If you are interested in being a part of this very worthwhile group, please let me know**
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