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DCEDC Holds Power Lunch to Tackle Tough Issue: *the Cost of Local Healthcare*

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Cost to attend: \$35 per person.

Sponsoring the Power Lunch are Health Quest, Saint Francis Hospital and Health Centers; and Elant at Fishkill, Inc.

The May 21 Power Lunch is designed to offer members of the business community, the healthcare community, and the general public an opportunity to hear respected healthcare professionals offer information and perspectives on this topic. Guest speakers will be: Ken Adams, The Business Council of New York

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State; Paul Macielak, New York Health Plan Association; Ray Sweeney, Healthcare Association of New York; and a representative of the New York State Department of Health.

The public is invited to attend. To reserve a seat, the public is asked to call Melanie Byers at 845.463.5403 or email: mbyers@dcedc.com. Advance payment is appreciated. Make check payable to: Dutchess County Economic Development Corporation, 3 Neptune Road, Poughkeepsie, New York 12601. *No shows* will be billed.

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