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**Board of Health now accepting applications for
Universal Health Care Task Force**

In December 2008, the Lewis and Clark City-County Board of Health approved a resolution that “recognizes health and health care are basic human rights and that everyone has a right to access to a universal healthcare system.”

In an effort to provide health care to all uninsured or underinsured Lewis and Clark County residents, the Board of Health is in the process of appointing a grass roots task force to assess health care needs in the county and the Helena area. With nearly 21% of county residents without health insurance, the newly appointed task force will also be involved in designing a possible universal health care plan for all county residents.

“We are looking for Task Force members who will focus on practical action, guided by principles and who will oversee the multi-phase project. This Task Force is more than a discussion forum,” explains Dr. David Krainacker Board of Health Chairman.

Task force applications are currently being accepted and those interested may apply by filling out the application form found on www.co.lewis-clark.mt.us/health. Forms may also be picked up at 1930 Ninth Avenue.

Application deadline is January 29, 2009.

For more information visit www.co.lewis-clark.mt.us/health or call **443-2584**.

The Lewis & Clark City-County Health Department's mission is to improve and protect the health of all Lewis & Clark County residents.

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