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SALT LAKE CITY, UT – Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell will speak about the importance of staying healthy and being insured at the Salt Lake City Main Library on Friday, March 7th, at 10:00 a.m.

The event coincides with a weekly enrollment session organized by Take Care Utah, a network of local nonprofits helping Utah individuals and families find affordable health care coverage. As of this Friday, 25 days remain for Utahns to shop for new insurance and qualify for premium subsidies on Utah's Health Insurance Marketplace, located at healthcare.gov.

By February 1st more than 30,000 Utahns had already selected a health plan on Utah's Health Insurance Marketplace. Over 30% of these individuals were between the ages of 18 and 34, and 82% of them received a premium subsidy to make their new insurance more affordable. Open enrollment on Utah's Health Insurance Marketplace runs through March 31, 2014.

For Utahns who have questions or need assistance with their insurance applications, Take Care Utah has trained navigators and certified application counselors standing by to help. Many of these assistors will be available at the Friday event at the Salt Lake City Main Library. In attendance will be representatives from the Association for Utah Community Health (AUCH), the Utah Health Policy Project (UHPP), the Utah Aids Foundation, and United Way of Salt Lake/2-1-1.

About Friday's Event:

Title: ACA Enrollment Event with Sally Jewell, Secretary of the Interior

Date: Friday, March 7, 2014

Time: 10:00 a.m. [Media should arrive by 9:45 a.m.]

Location: Salt Lake City Main Library (Level 4 Conference Room)

Address: 210 E 400 S Salt Lake City, UT 84111

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About Secretary Jewell

Sally Jewell is the 51st Secretary of the Interior and is responsible for administering approximately 20 percent of the nation's lands, including national parks, national wildlife refuges, and other public lands. Prior to her confirmation, Jewell served in the private sector, most recently as President and Chief Executive Officer of Recreation Equipment, Inc. (REI). Before joining REI, Jewell spent 19 years as a

commercial banker, first as an energy and natural resources expert and later working with a diverse array of businesses that drive our nation's economy. An avid outdoorswoman, Jewell finds time to explore her backyard in the Pacific Northwest where she enjoys skiing, kayaking, hiking and other activities. She has scaled Mount Rainier on seven occasions, and recently climbed Vinson Massif, the highest mountain in Antarctica.

Link: www.doi.gov/whoweare/secretaryjewell.cfm

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About Take Care Utah

Take Care Utah, a program of the Utah Health Policy Project (UHPP), the Association for Utah Community Health (AUCH), and the United Way of Salt Lake/2-1-1, partners with a variety of organizations in your neighborhoods and around the state to help you and your family get and keep affordable health care coverage—and use it wisely. Learn how to apply for health insurance through healthcare.gov, Medicaid or CHIP for your kids, or find about other options for coverage and care. Take Care Utah is here to help you take charge of your health.

Link: www.takecareutah.org

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