

# **Sierra County Health/Healthcare Needs Assessment Community Forum Fact Sheet**

## **Who is Conducting the Forums?**

- The forums are a collaborative effort between the *Sierra County Health Council and Sierra Vista Hospital. Dr. Mark Kittleson, NMSU College of Health and Social Sciences, and Sharon Finarelli, Sierra Information Services, LLC*
- The forums will be conducted by *Dr. Mark Kittleson, NMSU College of Health and Social Sciences, and Sharon Finarelli, Sierra Information Services, LLC*
- Trained Community Forum Facilitators provide support and group facilitation during the series of eight community forums.

## **What is the Purpose of the Forums?**

- Improve the delivery of Health and Healthcare services in Sierra County, NM.
- Involve stakeholders, consumers and local community leaders in identifying health and healthcare needs in Sierra County.

## **What are the Intended Outcomes of the Forums?**

- Increase local involvement and participation in the planning process.
- Update regional demographic information and needs profiles.

## **How Are The Forums Structured?**

- There will be a series of eight community forums conducted at a variety of times and venues throughout the county during the Spring of 2012.

*(See attached agenda for County Community Forums)*