

Outstanding Healthcare in Our Own Back Yard

As The Affordable Care Act continues to spark heated debate in Washington, D.C., many Americans are simply trying to sort out the facts from politically charged myths. Michele Bachmann (R-MN) was recently quoted on NBC's Today Show as saying, "We found out that the bill is costing far more than we were told it was going to, and it's now working to increase people's health care premiums." The same week (January 6, 2011) The Congressional Budget Office announced that repealing the law would add "in the vicinity of \$230 billion" to the deficit between 2012 and 2021, and more in the decade after that. Can't live with it, can't live without it. A glimpse into the recent past, just before the bill was signed into law last March, reveals that the Department of Health and Human Services projected the law to reduce the deficit by more than \$100 billion over the next ten years, and by more than \$1 trillion over the decade after that.

What do these numbers and timelines mean to the average household? One of the more salient pain points is the rising cost of premiums, which means less money in your wallet every month. The Affordable Care Act is designed to address these increases by holding insurance companies accountable, preventing industry abuses, and ending discrimination against Americans with pre-existing conditions. "If premium growth were to slow to 1 percentage point below the projected national growth rate, the cost of family coverage would drop an average of \$995 annually by 2015," stated Stephanie Cutter, Assistant to the President for Special Projects.

Only time will tell how these numbers are going to impact the true life stories of patients down the road, but the ever-changing landscape of modern healthcare has already begun to shape the future for those providing the care. Healthcare professionals in every discipline are changing the way they operate. Offices are being run more efficiently, innovation is leading the way, and the best-of-the-best are leveraging vital resources to emphasize prevention, and increase the level of care they provide. Fortunately, we have an abundance of the best right here in our own back yard. The following list of exceptional healthcare professionals includes those who are adapting to the shifting times to keep your care a constant priority.

Extraordinary Healthcare Professionals in Our Community

Dentistry

Dr. Robert A. Lantzy, D.M.D.
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Robert A. Lantzy graduated from University of Pittsburgh summa cum laude and was granted early admittance to the University of Pittsburgh School of Dental Medicine where he graduated in 1982. He came to Bucks County after marriage where his wife has been a lifelong resident; Marguerite Spadafora graduated from the University of Pittsburgh School of Health Administration after completing her studies in dental hygiene.

Together, they create an exceptional dental experience for their patients by combining comfort in

a relaxed setting with advanced dental technologies and techniques. Comprehensive in approach and grounded in honest values, Dr. Lantzy has studied with leaders in the dental field to become proficient with exciting procedures like Invisalign invisible orthodontics, implant restorations, cosmetic whitening, bonding and veneers, sleep apnea, snoring and TMJ-related care, and computer aided restorations through CEREC.

Dr. Lantzy was recently named a Preferred Invisalign Provider. He has been published in the Implant Realities magazine. He is an active member of the American Academy of Cosmetic Dentistry, the American Dental Association, Pennsylvania Dental Association, and the local Montgomery-Bucks Dental Society. Dr. Lantzy served as the Newtown Rotary Club President in 2007-2008 and continues to be an active member of this community and internationally focused organization. Dr. Lantzy's professional team includes: Nancy Skochinsky (laser certified) and Beverly O'Brien as Registered Dental Hygiene Providers, Jennifer Ferguson as Expanded Functions Dental Assistant, Trish Troy as Dental Assistant, Marg Lantzy, RDH as Office Administrator, and Cindy Casertano as Business Administrator. They take pride in leading their patients to the achievement of optimal oral health in a friendly, personalized manner. You may contact the office by calling (215) 860-5901 or visit www.buckscountydental.com.