

Public discussion about local effects of Affordable Care Act is scheduled for Monday

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A discussion of the Affordable Care Act and its effects on local residents will take place Monday at the First United Church on East Third Street.

The issue-focused discussion will address formerly proposed changes to Medicaid under the American Health Care Act, the Republican bill that was pulled before a vote last week.

The event is sponsored by several faith-based organizations and nonpartisan groups, according to a news release.

“The bill to repeal the Affordable Care Act failed this time, but efforts continue to reduce or eliminate the role of the federal government in providing health care. Join us for a panel discussion with Bloomington community leaders to learn how important the ACA is in providing services that are a life line for our citizens,” the release states.

On the panel will be Dr. Rob Stone, associate director of Indiana University Health Bloomington Hospice and medical director of the palliative care program; Jean Capler, licensed clinical social worker; Kerry Conway, executive director of Area 10 Agency on Aging; Nancy Richman, executive director of Volunteers in Medicine Clinic of Monroe County; and Susan Rinne, CEO of LIFEDesigns Inc.

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WHAT: Discussion on the effects of the Affordable Care Act.

WHERE: First United Church, 2420 E. Third Street.

WHEN: 7-9 p.m. Monday.

The event is open to the public.

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