

# Maryland ViewPoints Public Affairs Show: Quaterly Issues and Programs Schedule Fourth Quarter 2020

Maryland ViewPoints is a 25-minute weekly public affairs program addressing statewide issues that is aired on radio stations across Maryland. The program is hosted by Meredith Marx.

Weekend of October 3, 2020 Guest: Dr. Joseph Mosquera Topic: Healthcare

Meredith Marx (host) spoke with Dr. Joseph Mosquera about the possibility of a TWINDEMIC, and describes the high probability of a COVID outbreak and FLU outbreak this winter.

Guest: Dennis Maple and Dr Jack Maypole, Goddard School Topic: COVID

Meredith Marx spoke with Dennis Mape and Dr. Jack Maypole from the Goddard School about lessons learned during the pandemic, such as how to adapt to virtual learning, how to cope with being alone or isolated from family and friends and how to cope with increased stress.

## Weekend of October 10, 2020

Guest: Ashleigh Byrnes - DAV (Disabled Veterans) Topic: Veteran Mental Healthcare and Suicide Prevention

Meredith Marx spoke Ashleigh Byrnes, deputy national communications director of the Disabled National Veterans, about the introduction of Vision for Veterans, establishing 7 priority needs that need to be addressed by politicians and public officials for urgent needs for veterans.

Guest: Jeffrey Kendrick - MD center for Veterans Education and Training/MCVET 5k

Meredith Marx talks with Jeffrey Kendrick, executive director for MD Center for Veterans Education and Training and what MCVET, a non profit organization, provides for veterans of Maryland, focusing on services provided for homeless veterans in the State.

## Weekend of October 17, 2020

Guest: Michele Mueller - Kennedy Krieger Institute/Covid/Festival of Trees sneak peek Topic: Community Events

Meredith Marx previews the upcoming Kennedy Krieger Festival of Trees, that has gone virtual due to COVID. They discussed the services that are provided by the Kennedy Krieger Institute.

#### Weekend of October 24, 2020

Gust: - Katie Flory - SPCA - How covid effected and the upcoming book fundraiser event Topic: Animal and Mental Healthcare

Meredith Marx (host) was joined by Katie Flory of the SPCA about the impacts that COVID has had on animal adoptions and fundraisers, including the planned book fundraiser event. They also discussed the how animal adoption and having a pet can help prevent or offset depression and anxiety during the pandemic.

### Weekend of October 31, 2020

Guest: Kat Olbrich AFSP ( American Foundation For Suicide Prevention) Topic: Suicide Prevention

Meredith Marx (host) spoke with Kat Olbrich, area director for the American Foundation For Suicide Prevention, about how COVID has impacted the area Out of the Darkness Walks, and the outreach efforts that have been launched to tackle suicide prevention education.

#### Weekend of November 7, 2020

Guest: Michele Eberle Maryland Health Benefit Exchange / Maryland Health Connection Topic: Healthcare and Open Enrollment

Meredith Marx (host) spoke with Michele Ebrele about the start of Open Enrollment and how the Maryland Health Connection works when enrolling with the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange.

### Weekend of November 14, 2020

Guest: Gillian Sealey, Interim CEO, Power to Decide Topic: Women's Health

Meredith Marx (host) speaks with Gillian Sealey about concerns over cost and availability of birth control and proper healthcare for women in underserved and poor communities.

### Weekend of November 29, 2020

Guest: Amy Nofziger AARP Fraud Alert Topic: Fraud/Senior Citizens

Meredith Marx (host) speaks Amy Nofzinger, from the AARP, about recent instances of fraud that have been targeting seniors inspired by COVID and how to protect yourself from potential fraud.

#### Weekend of December 5, 2020

Guest: Michele Eberle Maryland Health Benefit Exchange / Maryland Health Connection Topic: Healthcare and Open Enrollment

Meredith Marx (host) spoke with Michele Ebrele about Open Enrollment and how to get signed up for benefits with the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange before the end of the open enrollment session on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### Weekend of December 12, 2020

Guest: Christy Page, engagement manager with The Childrens Home Topic: Childcare

Meredith Marx (host) spoke with Christy Page of the Childrens Home, located in Catonsville, about the residential care facility that provides both long- and short-term services to youth 13 to 21 years of age who have experienced abuse, neglect, violence, abandonment, and/or are in need of supervised care.

### Weekend of September 19, 2020

Guest: Paul Gianfriddo CEO Mental Health America Topic: Mental Health

Meredith Marx (host) spoke Paul Gianfriddo about Mental Health America and the importance of focusing on mental health during the pandemic and MHA's programs and initiatives fulfill its mission of promoting mental health and preventing mental illness through advocacy, education, research and services

Guest: Amy Goyer Caregiving Expert AARP Topic: Senior Care

Meredith Marx (host) speaks Amy Goyer about providing care for a senior or family member during the pandemic and ways to ensure comfort. They also spoke about outreach initiatives that the AARP has employed to help caregivers.

### Weekend of December 26, 2020

Guest: Tonya Aikens, President & CEO, Howard County Library Topic: Education

Meredith Marx (host) spoke with Tonya Aikens about initiatives that the Howard County Library System is doing to provide services during the pandemic.