

## **FCC REPORTS NETWORK NEWS 6:30 OCTOBER 1-15 PART I**

**10/01/09**

### **CENSUS CAMPAIGN**

**LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:03**

U.S. Census Bureau Director Robert Groves joined prominent Latino groups, labor and faith leaders and leading national Spanish-language media partners today to outline a historic campaign to ensure a full and accurate 2010 Census count of the estimated 50 million Latinos living in the United States. Members of the coalition - called the Ya es Hora !HAGASE CONTAR! (It's Time, Make Yourself Count!) Campaign - previewed a series of public service announcement that will begin airing today on major Spanish language media.

### **IMMIGRANTS FIRING**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:15**

A clothing maker with a vast garment factory in downtown Los Angeles is firing about 1,800 immigrant employees in the coming days - more than a quarter of its workforce after a federal investigation turned up irregularities in the identity documents the workers presented when they were hired. The firings at the company, American Apparel, have become a showcase for the Obama administration's effort to reduce illegal immigration by forcing employers to dismiss unauthorized workers rather than through workplace raids.

### **FLU VACCINES**

**VO :16**

The largest U.S. supplier of seasonal flu vaccines says it's running behind on shipping vaccine for the regular, seasonal flu partly because of the crunch to produce millions of doses of the swine flu vaccine. The pharmaceutical company Sanofi Pasteur says it has shipped more than half of the 50 million doses of seasonal flu vaccine order by U.S. health care providers. But the French company has sent notices to customers indicating that additional doses may be delayed. Company spokeswoman Donna Cary says it could be November before some customers get the rest of their orders.

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**10/02/09**

### **MORE UNEMPLOYMENT**

**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:01**

The unemployment rate has hit another 26-year-high. The Labor Department says 263-thousand jobs were lost last month, raising the unemployment rate to

nine-point-eight percent. That's up one-tenth of a percent from August. Congress today is holding a joint economic committee meeting on the new numbers. Many economists have said there are signs the economy is growing again, but today's jobs report shows job losses could continue well into the recovery, limiting the strength of any economic turnaround.

#### **IMMIGRATION PLAN**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:03**

Although President Obama has put off an immigration overhaul until next year, the federal agency in charge of approving visas is planning ahead for the possibility of giving legal status to millions of illegal immigrants, the agency's director said Thursday. Obama has told immigration officials that a legalization program would be part of legislation the White House would propose, said Mr. Mayorkas, who became director in August. The agency's goal, he said, is to be ready to expand rapidly to handle the gigantic increase in visa applications it would face if the legislation, known as comprehensive immigration reform, passed Congress.

#### **HEALTH CARE LATEST**

**LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG**

After a marathon session that ran well past midnight, the Senate Finance Committee on Friday passed a major milestone in its work on legislation to remake the health care system and provide coverage to millions of the uninsured. At 2:15 a.m., the committee completed work on the last of dozens of amendments to the bill, written by the panel's chairman, Senator Max Baucus Democrat of Montana. The committee plans to take a final vote on the legislation next week, after getting a cost estimate from the Congressional Budget Office Democratic leaders hope the full Senate will begin debate on the legislation.

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**10/03/09**

#### **US UNEMPLOYMENT**

**VO :24**

The nation's unemployment rate now stands at 9.8 percent after rising a tenth of a point. The Labor Department says employers cut 263,000 jobs. That was up from a revised August total of 201,000, and was considerably more than Wall Street economists had been expecting.

#### **HEALTHCARE REFORM WILL CREATE NEW EMPLOYES**

**CRISTINA PUIG. MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG 2:26**

Administration officials say President Barack Obama is looking at ways to ease the burdens of laid-off workers, including possible extensions of unemployment and health benefits. With the jobless rate continuing to climb, the president said in his weekly radio and Internet address that he is exploring "additional options to promote job creation." Administration aides say the options include extending enhanced unemployment-insurance benefits beyond Dec. 31, when they are set to expire. Another option is to extend a tax credit for laid-off workers who buy health insurance through the COBRA program.

#### **ARPAIO MAY LOOSE SOME IMMIGRANT AUTHORITY**

**ALEJANDRA ESPINOZA. PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

**PKG 1:27**

The controversial agreement that authorized Sheriff Joe Arpaio's deputies to act as federal immigration agents on the streets appears to have ended, Arpaio said late Friday afternoon. The sheriff said he signed a new agreement Friday that will allow deputies and detention officers to continue screening every inmate booked into Maricopa County jails to determine their immigration status. But he said federal authorities had not offered an agreement to extend Arpaio's street-level immigration enforcement.

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**10/04/09**

#### **US VISA LOTTERY**

**VO :25**

Each year, the Diversity Lottery (DV) Program makes 55,000 immigrant visas available through a lottery to people who come from countries with low rates of immigration to the United States. Of such visas, 5,000 are allocated for use under NACARA beginning with DV '99. The State Department (DOS) holds the lottery every year, and randomly selects approximately 110,000 applicants from all qualified entries.

#### **FULL VACCINE**

**VO :24**

Days before the swine flu vaccine becomes available, more than half of U.S. adults say they will get the vaccine for themselves and 75 percent will get it for their children, according to a survey released Friday. Forty percent said they would not get the H1N1 vaccine, the team at the Harvard School of Public Health found. The survey conflicts with one published earlier this week by Consumer Reports showing only 35 percent of Americans would definitely have their children vaccinated. The Harvard researchers polled 1,042 U.S. adults for what they said was a representative sample of national opinion late last month.

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**10/05/09**

**US CENSUS**

**PKG 2:03 JAIME GARCIA- LOS ANGELES, CA**

Only seven months shy from the start of Census 2010, the U.S. government has announced that it will not seek a halt to immigration raids as it did during the previous census. The Bush Administration rejected the bureau's request two years ago.

**H1N1 VACCINE**

**PKG 2:12 CECILIA RAMIREZ- MIAMI, FL**

Indiana and Tennessee are among the first states that will vaccinate people against the swine flu. Health officials in both states scheduled events Monday in Indianapolis and Memphis to administer nasal mist doses of the swine flu vaccine to doctors, nurses, emergency medical workers and other health care professionals who work directly with patients. Initial shipments of the nasal mist vaccine are so small that in most cases they're being reserved for health workers so the workers remain healthy and can care for and vaccinate others.

**MORE KIDS WITH AUTISM**

**PKG 2:28 BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ/ NEW YORK**

Two new government studies indicate about 1 in 100 children have autism disorders -- higher than a previous U.S. estimate of 1 in 150. Greater awareness, broader definitions and spotting autism in younger children may explain some of the increase, federal health officials said. Figuring out how many children have autism is extremely difficult because diagnosis is based on a child's behavior, said Dr. Susan E. Levy of the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics subcommittee on autism.

**HEALTH COVERAGE**

**PKG 2:26 LUIS MEGID/SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

The biggest news coming out of the study is that the average annual premiums for employer-sponsored health insurance topped \$13,000 this year for family coverage (\$13,375, to be exact), which is a 5% increase from last year's premiums. Since 1999, the average cost of family coverage has risen by 131%. The average annual premiums for single coverage rose by nearly 120% over the same period, to \$4,824 in 2009.

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**10/06/09**

**DETENTION CENTER CHANGES**

**LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:13 & LIVER**

The United States, criticized for holding illegal immigrants in overcrowded and poorly run jails, Tuesday announced plans to convert hotels to detain some noncriminal immigrants. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano said illegal immigrants ranging from criminals to newly arrived asylum seekers would be held in different facilities according to the risk they pose. Referring to noncriminals such as newly arrived asylum seekers, Napolitano said, "We will begin efforts to house these populations near immigration service providers and pursue different options like converted hotels or residential facilities for their detention."

**LIFE IN DETENTION CENTERS**  
**JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:09**

The story talk about the things that many immigrants have gone trough in detentions center. In many cases not having medical treatment, legal advice and living in precarious conditions. Includes reactions from immigrants advocates or/and families of detainees.

**SWINE FLU LATEST**  
**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:13**

The first batches of the H1N1/swine flu vaccine have arrived in New York city today and some other mayor cities of the country. Some of the first doses, which are of the nasal spray variety, will be administered to children and health care workers at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx.

A spokesperson for Montefiore says all workers must be vaccinated by November 30th. The city is planning a massive vaccination program, and will soon offer the vaccine to all city school kids, free of charge. Health officials yesterday launched a test run for that vaccination program by administering doses of the seasonal flu shot. About 700 students at six schools are getting seasonal flu shots this week. Officials say the first day of tests went well.

**CA SINGLE GENDER SCHOOL**

**VO :19**

The Los Angeles Unified School District cut the ribbon Monday on the first school to offer single-gender instruction. Boys and girls attend the Young Oak Kim Academy but they don't have classes together. Inside a new high-tech building, girls and boys are placed in separate classrooms, but students are allowed to mix during breaks. The magnet school focuses on science, technology, engineering and math. The school has been in session for about a month, but the official opening was celebrated Monday. The concept of the sex-segregated classes stems from studies, cited by administrators, showing middle school students process information differently and are easily distracted in a mixed gender environment.

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**10/07/09**

**ARPAIO LOSES POWER**

**VICTOR HUGO RODRIGUEZ / PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

**PKG 2:13**

Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio has lost the power to arrest a person solely because of his or her immigration status but said he will continue conducting crime suppression sweeps that target illegal immigrants. Arpaio said the federal government has stripped the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office of the power to enforce federal immigration law in the field. Instead, the sheriff plans to use a state law to arrest illegal immigrants.

**SOCIAL SECURITY NO MATCH RULE**

**VO :23**

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) today formally issued a final rule rescinding the Social Security "no match" rule. The "no match" rule, which was never implemented, would have forced employers to fire workers based on discrepancies in their Social Security records. DHS first announced its plan to rescind the rule in July, and with today's publication of a final rule in the Federal Register, the rescission will go into effect in 30 days.

**SENATE HEALTH BILL \$829 BILLION**

**VO :21**

Health care legislation drafted by a key Senate committee would expand coverage to 94 percent of all eligible Americans at a 10-year cost of \$829 billion, congressional budget experts said Wednesday, a preliminary estimate trumpeted by the White House and likely to power the measure past a major hurdle within days. The Congressional Budget Office added that the legislation would reduce federal deficits by \$81 billion over a decade and probably lead to "continued reductions in federal" red ink in the years beyond.

**YOUTH VIOLENCE EPIDEMIC**

**LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:48**

US Attorney General Eric Holder and Education Secretary Arne Duncan made a trip to Chicago to meet with city leaders to discuss youth violence in the wake of the beating death of 16-year-old Derrion Albert. Holder says youth violence is an American problem and not just a Chicago problem. He says the nation was shocked at the violence on the video that captured Albert's fatal beating.

**IDENTITY THEFT RING BUST**

**JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:57**

According to AP the FBI is making dozens of arrests in the U.S. and overseas to crack an identity theft ring that victimized thousands of people. Laura Eimiller, an FBI spokeswoman in Los Angeles, says agents are making arrests Wednesday morning in Southern California, Nevada, North Carolina and overseas. They allegedly used computer intrusion and fraud to obtain personal information that allowed them to withdraw money from bank accounts. In "phishing," people answering an e-mail are directed to a bogus Web site where they are asked to update personal information, such as passwords and account numbers.

**AIRLINES ADD \$10 ON BUSY DAYS****VO :22**

Flying around the holidays is already more expensive and could get more so. Several big airlines have added \$10 surcharges for busy days around the holidays. Last month airlines added a \$10 each-way surcharge for Nov. 29 (the Sunday after Thanksgiving) and Jan. 2 and 3.

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**10/8/09****HEALTH CARE REFORM LATEST  
LOURDES DEL RIO / WASHINGTON, DC****PKG 2:42**

Despite a report from the Congressional Budget Office that the plan would reduce federal deficits by \$81 billion over a decade, Republicans aren't ready to count on any savings from the health reform measure emerging from the Senate Finance Committee. Senate GOP leader Mitch McConnell says Democrats are going to fatten up that bill as it proceeds through Congress. He predicts that it will "never see the light of day." Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid has announced that the Finance Committee will vote Tuesday on the proposal that would expand coverage to 94 percent of eligible Americans, according to the Congressional Budget Office report.

**BLOOMBERG ON IMMIGRATION  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK****PKG 2:22**

Michael Bloomberg announces plan to support immigrants in the five boroughs. The mayor's plan will ensure that immigrants can contribute fully to our economy and are integrated into civic life, that the children of immigrants are properly educated, and policies to protect immigrants from exploitation. Bloomberg today unveiled a plan to better protect and assist immigrants living in the five boroughs. The announcement took place at the cuny graduate center in midtown in front of a mixed crowd of immigration advocates, community leaders, and ethnic media, many of whom are immigrants themselves.

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**10/09/09**

**MORE SWINE FLU CASES  
LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:00**

Health officials say swine flu activity is picking up, with 37 states now reporting widespread cases. Officials with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported Friday that the count is up from 27 states the previous week. The figures suggest a leveling off of flu activity the previous week may have been short-lived. Meanwhile, CDC officials say states have ordered 3.6 million doses of swine flu vaccine for a campaign that started this week.

**CREDIT CARD REFORM  
LUIS MEGID / SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 1:49**

Rep. Barney Frank says Congress should move up the enactment date of its credit card reform bill to Dec. 1 because banks are raising rates on customers. Last spring, Frank helped push a bill through Congress that imposes strict new rules on lenders, including a limitation on when and how banks hike rates. Most of the rules will take effect in mid-February, a date set by Congress to give banks time to prepare for the changes.

**UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**VO :22**

The House on Sept. 23 approved a bill that would extend benefits by up to 13 weeks for jobless workers living in 27 states, plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, that have unemployment rates of 8.5 percent or higher. A look at the states in the House measure as the Senate considers extending benefits to all 50 states.

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**10/10/09**

**OBAMA HEALTH  
VO :28**

President Barack Obama said Saturday he's seeing "unprecedented consensus" behind overhauling health care, though he acknowledged continued partisan gridlock in Congress. "The historic movement to bring real, meaningful health insurance reform to the American people gathered momentum this week as we approach the final days of this debate," Obama said Saturday in his weekly radio and Internet video address. The consensus "includes everyone from doctors and nurses to hospitals and drug manufacturers" -- even Republican governors and

former GOP lawmakers, Obama said. Obama's consensus, however, does not extend to congressional Republicans. GOP senators remain united in their opposition to the Democrats' health care package, as are most Republicans in the House.

**UNEMPLOYMENT LATEST**  
**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**  
**PKG 2:064**

Nonfarm payroll employment continued to decline in September (-263,000), and the unemployment rate 9.8% continued to trend up, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. The largest job losses were in construction, manufacturing, retail trade, and government. Household Survey Data Since the start of the recession in December 2007, the number of unemployed persons has increased by 7.6 million to 15.1 million, and the unemployment rate has doubled to 9.8 percent. Unemployment rates for the major worker groups--adult men 10.3% , adult women 7.8%, teenagers 25.9%, whites 9.0%, blacks (15.4 percent), and Hispanics 12.7%--showed little change in September.

**BORDER FENCE**  
**VO :24**

A provision that would set up another 300 miles of tall fencing along the U.S.-Mexico border has been stripped from an appropriations bill. A Texas congressman says it represented "an unproductive and inefficient border security strategy" that is "out of touch with border needs." Seven border state congressmen asked the House leadership in July to strip the amendment from the final bill. As of the end of June, there were about 633 miles of pedestrian and vehicle barriers along the U.S.-Mexico border, which runs 2,100 miles. Many of the gaps in the fencing are in Texas, where landowners continue to fight the government.

**OBAMA "DONT ASK DONT TELL"**  
**VO :24**

The climate for passing gay civil rights laws has never been better, but it could be a decade before another chance comes around, the highest-ranking openly gay official in the Obama administration said Friday. A House vote Thursday put Congress on the verge of significantly expanding hate crimes law to make it a federal crime to assault people because of their sexual orientation. Later this year, Congress is expected to hold hearings on a measure prohibiting workplace discrimination -- including decisions about hiring, firing and wages -- based on sexual orientation or gender identity.

**MEDITERRANEAN DIET**  
**VO :20**

Mediterranean diet reduces depression, study suggests. Jetting to the sunny climes of the Mediterranean couldn't hurt if you feel a bout of depression settling in. But a new study in the Archives of General Psychiatry finds that if your aim is

to minimize your risk of depression in the first place, you might stay right where you are and make your plate look like it's been to the Mediterranean. You should scale back on the meats and dairy fats, eat some nuts, and increase your consumption of fish, vegetables and legumes doused in olive oil.

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**10/11/09**

**SWINE FLU LATEST  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK  
PKG 2:12**

A top U.S. health official says the risks from not getting the swine flu vaccine are greater than any potential risks associated with the vaccine. Dr. Anne Schuchat of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says she's surprised by all the misinformation going around about the new vaccine. She says a good safety record from past vaccines bodes well for the swine flu vaccine now becoming available. Schuchat says there's no problem associated with getting shots for both the swine flu and seasonal flu on the same day. But health officials recommend a three-week period between receiving the nasal versions of the vaccines.

**DC GAY RIGHT  
VO :24**

Thousands of gay rights supporters have marched from the White House to the Capitol. They demanded that President Barack Obama keep his promises to allow gays to serve openly in the military and to work to end discrimination against gays. Rainbow flags and homemade signs dotted the crowds filling Pennsylvania Avenue in front of the White House. Many children were also among the demonstrators. A few counter-protesters had also joined the crowd.

**THE BEST INSURANCES  
JULIE STAV. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:04**

In times of financial uncertainty the role of the brokerage industry becomes even more important to its clients. The global economic crisis has helped to reveal risk management shortcomings among many companies who are now looking to address the problem. However, with capital in short supply they are often looking to protect themselves without spending large sums of money or, at the very least ensure that they are getting value for money when they do spend. Against this backdrop Reactions has conducted a survey of the insurance industry to gauge its views on the US brokerage markets. We ran an online survey for three weeks to find out what our readers...

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**10/12/09**

**BILL TO RAISE INSURANCE  
LOURDES DEL RIO / WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:18**

The health insurance industry is striking back against the Senate's current plan for health care reform claiming that the plan will not only fail to reduce costs but will actually increase the cost of coverage for the privately-insured by thousands of dollars a year. Over the weekend America's Health Insurance Plans, an industry trade group, released to its members a PricewaterhouseCoopers analysis which projected that the current Senate legislation would cause premiums for families to increase by \$4000 by the year 2019. Sen. Baucus' spokesman defended the \$829 billion dollar overhaul plan casting doubt on the legitimacy of the new study claiming "it's a health insurance company hatchet job." The legislation faces a final Finance committee vote tomorrow.

**IMMIGRATION REFORM BILL PREVIEW  
JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:03**

Hispanic lawmakers in the House are writing an immigration reform bill that will outline the minority community's position before the debate begins in Congress. The House and Senate are not expected to take up comprehensive immigration reform until next year, but those involved in writing the bill say the legislation being prepared by Rep. Luis Gutierrez, D-Ill., will lay down a marker on what is expected. Members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus are behind the effort to lay a legislative blueprint.

**CENSUS CITIES  
VO :21**

With the 2010 census looming, major U.S. cities whose residents are at high risk of being missed are struggling with a shortage of money and manpower to prepare for an accurate count. A study by the Pew Charitable Trusts, released Monday, examined preparation efforts in 11 major cities. It found only five cities had committed public funds to census outreach -- Los Angeles, New York, Houston, Phoenix and Baltimore.

**US FOREIGNERS ON EXPIRED VISAS  
VO :23**

Eight years after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and despite repeated mandates from Congress, the United States still has no reliable system for verifying that foreign visitors have left the country.

**US SWINE FLU LATEST  
LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 1:59**

The rising swine flu death toll among children has reached disturbing heights. The H1N1 virus is blamed for the deaths of 19 children over the past week, a total of 76 overall, about the number which usually die in an entire flu season ending in May. The American Medical Association comes out with its own report focusing on two major themes: children, and how to handle a massive influx of patients if the virus runs out of control.

#### **CA WATER**

**VO :20**

California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and legislative leaders plan a seventh straight day of water negotiations today and the Legislature has been called into special session. Talks on how to address the state's deteriorating and inadequate water system ended late yesterday after nearly 12 hours, though leaders said they moved closer to a deal.

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**10/13/09**

#### **HEALTH CARE REFORM**

**LOURDES DEL RIO/WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:16**

Now that the Senate Finance Committee has approved its version of healthcare reform legislation, Senate Democratic leaders will merge it with a more liberal bill passed earlier by the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee.

#### **DIABETES STUDY**

**VO: 20 sec**

People who live in neighborhoods with safe sidewalks, ample parks, good public transportation and ready access to fresh fruits and vegetables are 38 percent less likely to develop diabetes than others, U.S. researchers said Monday. They said unlike a lot of other factors that influence diabetes, creating a healthy neighborhood is one thing policymakers can do to address the epidemic of diabetes, which costs the United States more than \$116 billion in medical expenses each year.

#### **IMMIGRATION REFORM**

**JAIME GARCIA/LOS ANGELES, CA**

Immigrants, workers, union leaders and advocates of progressive immigration reform from 10 cities nationwide converge at the U.S. Capitol on Tuesday to call for action in Congress. Activists will gather in the morning at the Church of the Reformation in D.C., and then proceed to Congress to speak to their representatives about supporting immigration reform.

#### **H1N1 MORE DEATHS-CHILDREN**

**VO: 20 sec**

Doctors are urging parents to be on the lookout for warning signs that a case of swine flu has become life-threatening. Swine flu has probably infected hundreds of thousands of youngsters nationwide. Deaths among children are rare, but at least 76 American children have died since April. Last week alone, there were 19 new reports of children who died.

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**10/14/09**

**CENSUS VITTER AMENDMENT  
LOURDES DEL RIO. MIAMI, FLORIDA  
PKG 2:09**

The Commerce Department and Census Bureau declared Tuesday that an amendment by Sen. David Vitter, R-La., to require the 2010 census to ask all persons their citizenship and immigration status would scuttle any chance that the census could be done on time and would cost taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars.

Scott Threlkeld/The Times-PicayuneU.S. Sen. David Vitter portrays his amendment as an attempt to keep Louisiana from losing one of its seven congressional districts in the coming reapportionment.

**SWINE FLU LATEST  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK  
PKG 2:25**

The vaccine maker Sanofi Pasteur says tests of its swine flu vaccine suggest that children under 10 may need two doses to be fully protected. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says Wednesday's news is not surprising. This age group needs two doses of regular seasonal vaccine for full immunity to develop.

Federal officials have been hoping that one shot or squirt of nasal spray would do, so they can stretch the available supply of a vaccine much in demand.

**SHERIFF DEPORTATION  
JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:13**

The Wake County Sheriff's Department is one of eight local law enforcement agencies in North Carolina and 66 across the nation authorized by the federal government to identify illegal immigrants and process them for possible deportation under a program known as 287(g). Virginia is the only other state with more participating agencies. There are four such agreements in California, including one with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

**SOCIAL SECURITY  
VO: 20 & SOT: 15**

President Barack Obama is calling on Congress to approve \$250 payments to more than 50 million seniors to make up for no increase in Social Security next year. The White House put the cost at \$13 billion. The Social Security Administration is scheduled to announce Thursday that there will be no cost of living increase next year.

By law, increases are pegged to inflation, which has been negative this year.

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**10/15/09**

**SOCIAL SECURITY TROUBLES  
LOURDES DEL RIO. MIAMI, FLORIDA  
PKG 2:04**

There will be no cost of living increase for more than 50 million Social Security recipients next year, the first year without a raise since automatic adjustments were adopted in 1975, the government announced Thursday. Blame falling consumer prices. By law, cost of living adjustments are pegged to inflation, which is negative this year because of lower energy costs. Social Security payments, however, cannot go down. Thursday's announcement comes a day after President Barack Obama called for a second round of \$250 stimulus payments for seniors, veterans, retired railroad workers and people with disabilities. The payments would match the ones issued to seniors earlier this year as part of the government's economic recovery package.

**MORE FORECLOSURES  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK  
PKG 2:20**

U.S. foreclosure filings climbed to a record in the third quarter as lenders seized more properties from delinquent borrowers, according to RealtyTrac Inc. A total of 937,840 homes received a default or auction notice or were repossessed by banks, a 23 percent increase from a year earlier, the Irvine, California-based seller of default data said today in a report. One out of every 136 U.S. households received a filing, the highest quarterly rate in records dating to January 2005. After all the Government plans to help people stay in their home foreclosures keep rising and banks are not doing enough loan modifications. She will also include the job loss and that 41 people were charged in mortgage fraud in NY

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**IMMIGRANT ENFORCEMENT  
LOURDES DEL RIO. WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:20**

The Homeland Security Department says it has completed agreements with 55 state and law enforcement agencies to help arrest and deport immigration violators. But one of those agreements would limit Maricopa County, Ariz., Sheriff Joe Arpaio and his deputies to checking only the immigration status of jail inmates. Arpaio is the subject of a Justice Department investigation triggered by complaints of racial profiling. Arpaio denies the allegations. Immigration and Customs Enforcement operates the controversial program. The Obama administration altered it after complaints of abuses and mismanagement. Six agencies did not renew the agreements after the changes.

**MORE ARPAIO RAIDS**

**VICTOR HUGO RODRIGUEZ. PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

**PKG 2:00**

Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio has launched a crime and immigration sweep in the Phoenix area, less than a day after officials in Washington limited his powers to make federal immigration arrests. The federal government stripped the controversial Arpaio of his power to let 100 deputies make such arrests but renewed another deal that lets 60 jails officers determine the immigration status of people in jail. The sweeps Friday in some heavily Latino areas have drawn criticism that Arpaio's deputies racially profile people, a charge that the sheriff denies. Arpaio says his deputies can still detain illegal immigrants as long as they are turned over to federal authorities within a day or two.

**MORE DEADS FOR FLU**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK**

**PKG 1:49**

The swine flu is causing an unprecedented amount of illness for so early in the fall -- and federal health officials said Friday that 11 more children have died in the past week. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says about half of the child deaths since September have been among teenagers. And overall for the country, deaths from pneumonia and flu-like illnesses have passed what CDC considers an epidemic level. About 6 percent of all doctor visits are for flu-like illnesses, levels not normally seen until later in the fall. Also the vaccination has been slow because the production of so many takes time.

**FORECLOSURES AND CENSUS**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:01**

The Census Bureau director says foreclosures will make it tougher and more expensive to get an accurate count of families next year. Director Robert Groves said Tuesday in Los Angeles that he expects some questionnaires will land at empty homes in areas hard hit by the housing crisis. That means workers will need to make more door-to-door visits, which costs more money. Groves also says his agency will need to focus on reaching out to people who are newly homeless and to families who have doubled up with relatives until they can get back on their feet. Groves says the Census Bureau will address the problem by

mailing replacement forms, using a shorter questionnaire and sending bilingual forms to some areas.

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**10/17/09**

**H1N1 NO TOUCHING  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK  
PKG 2:24**

Hospitals, churches, firehouses and even taxi companies are loading up on hand sanitizer, changing behavior and taking other steps to prevent the spread of swine flu. Bottles of hand sanitizer are within sight of passengers in all 16 taxis operated by Yellow Cab of Iowa City. When people filed into Church of Our Saviour on Sunday in Cocoa Beach, Fla., they bumped fists with priest Sean Heslin instead of shaking hands. Many workplaces and other spots where people gather urge hand-sanitizer use and frequent hand washing.

**OBAMA HEALTHCARE  
VO: 20**

President Barack Obama is pushing back against critics of his health care plan. In his weekly radio and Internet address, Obama warns that costs will continue to rise and eventually devastate the U.S. economy without reform. Earlier this week, the health insurance industry released a study claiming that the bill passed by the Senate Finance Committee would raise premiums for millions of people who already have health coverage. Obama says the report is "designed to mislead the American people" and accused the industry of "filling the airwaves with deceptive and dishonest ads"

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**10/18/09**

**POLICE IMMIGRATION REPORT  
PEDRO ROJAS. HOUSTON, TEXAS  
PKG 2:18**

Some state and local police are having second thoughts about working with the federal government to enforce immigration laws. Under what's known as the 287(g) program, agencies sign a voluntary agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and are trained to check legal status of prisoners and crime suspects, and to initiate deportations. The contract can specify enforcement in jail, in the community or both. Several police agencies have complained that new rules set by the Obama administration would cost too much time and money and, in some cases, damage their relationship with immigrants.

**OBAMA HEALTH**

**VO: 21**

Top White House advisers Valerie Jarrett and David Axelrod are saying President Barack Obama still believes a government-run health care option would best meet his reform goals. But they say he's not demanding that it be in the overhaul legislation. The White House and lawmakers are trying to blend five versions of health care legislation into something that will pass Congress. But the House and Senate are deeply at odds over the "public option" idea. Jarrett says Obama believes the public plan is still the "best possible choice," but he's not demanding it. Axelrod says opposition by both Republicans and some Democrats to the idea means "we have to work through these issues."

**FAKE FLU DRUGS****VO: 21**

A New York congressman has issued a warning about con artists selling fake flu drugs online. Democrat Anthony Weiner says people may be so worried about the swine flu outbreak and what officials say is a temporary vaccine shortage, that they'll take a risk buying drugs online without thinking about it. He says his office easily found sites selling fake flu drugs. Weiner says FDA investigators saw some that turned out to be acetaminophen, the active ingredient in the over-the-counter pain killer Tylenol. Weiner says buyers need to be sure an online site is legitimate and requires a prescription.

**NM DRIVER THRU VACCINE****VO: 24**

Concern about H1N1 flu may be taking over the minds of many, but the seasonal flu can be very serious and deadly as well. To keep New Mexicans healthy, U-N-M Health Services is offering free flu shots at clinics each weekend from now until Thanksgiving time. Plenty of people took advantage without leaving the comfort of their cars. Directing the heavy flow of traffic at the U-N-M drive-thru flu clinic is a busy job. As car after car drove up, nurses worked efficiently, vaccinating as many people as possible. Drive-thru clinics are great for people who have trouble getting around. Hospital officials advise getting your shot as soon as possible.

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**10/19/09****H1N1 LATEST****FERNANDO PIZARRO / WASHINGTON, DC****PKG 1:49**

The pandemic H1N1 flu virus was confirmed for the first time Monday in a U.S. hog, which was exhibited at the Minnesota State Fair where four teenagers became sick, the Agriculture Department said Monday. USDA said the discovery does not suggest infection of commercial pig herds raised for slaughter. Health

officials say the virus, originally known as swine flu, is not linked to meat products.

### **OPERATION STREAMLINE**

**VO :20**

Victims of immigration raids held a news conference to report what they call the abusive treatment of victims who were arrested under the Operation Streamline Program, which orders criminal charges against anyone who crosses the border without proper documents.

### **NEW MEDICAL MARIHUANA**

**JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:15**

A new Obama administration policy loosening guidelines on federal prosecution of medical marijuana on Monday signaled to users that they had less to fear from federal agents but still left their suppliers to contend with a tangled mesh of state laws and regulations. The Justice Department told federal prosecutors that targeting people who use or provide medical marijuana in strict compliance with state laws was not a good use of their time.

### **MORTGAGE HELP**

**VO :20**

Home buyers, as well as renters, could benefit from a program being unveiled today by the Obama administration. Officials say the goal is to provide hundreds of thousands of affordable mortgages for working families, and to allow the development or rehabilitation of tens of thousands of affordable rental properties. The program will operate under a law passed last year to bolster the housing industry. It will feature two parts -- a new bond purchase program to support new lending by housing finance agencies and a temporary credit and liquidity program to improve access by housing agencies to credit sources for their existing bonds.

### **RAISING SCHOLARSHIP MONEY**

**LUIS MEGID/ BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:09**

Catalino Tapia arrived in America from Mexico at the age of 20 with six dollars in his pocket and a sixth grade education. He worked hard, eventually starting his own gardening business to support his wife and two sons. His proudest moment came when his son graduated from UC Berkeley law school. It was also pivotal. Tapia decided that more young Latinos should have the chance to reach the same heights. He launched the Bay Area Gardeners' Foundation, a nonprofit comprised of area gardeners that provide scholarships to low-income Latinos. Tapia and his fellow gardeners asked their employers and local businesses to donate to the fund, and they raised \$250,000 in the first two years. In 2007, they awarded grants to 18 students, who were all from low-income families, had a desire to go to college, and had at least a 2.5 grade point average. Recipients

also pledge to give 20 hours of community service for each year they receive scholarship funds.

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**10/20/09**

**HEALTHCARE POLL  
LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:03**

A new poll suggests more and more Americans are worried about losing their current health care coverage. As the health care debate nears the floor of the Senate, the poll from the nonpartisan Robert Wood Johnson Foundation finds conflicting views on whether an overhaul will help, make things worse or do nothing. The September poll also finds Americans are following the health care debate in Congress. About one-third of respondents say they're worried about losing current coverage in the next 12 months. That's a slight increase from 29 percent in August. The share who say they're worried has gone up by 11 percentage points since spring. Forty percent of young adults surveyed say they're concerned, but even 29 percent of seniors say they're worried, despite having taxpayer-subsidized coverage through Medicare.

**OBAMA SMALL BUSINESSES  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK  
PKG 2:09**

President Barack Obama is expected to announce a series of initiatives Wednesday aimed at boosting credit to small businesses, an administration official said, as the White House tries to address a thorny problem which many believe is a continuing drag on the economy. The White House will move to increase the caps on existing Small Business Administration loans. It will also include measures to make it easier for small banks to access funds from the Troubled Asset Relief Program. The Obama administration has struggled to figure out what to do for small businesses and has spent months trying to get its initial program off the ground.

**IMMIGRATION LAWSUIT  
LOURDES DEL RIO / MIAMI, FL  
PKG 2:34**

A Miami lawyer will be filing a lawsuit against Immigration because they deported the husband of one of his clients that was here under TPS. ICE deported him because he had a previous order of deportation but the lawyer says that they have made a mistake and that is why they are suing.

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**10/21/09**

**CANCER SOCIETY HAS CONCERN ON SCREENINGS****LOURDES DEL RIO. MIAMI, FLORIDA****PKG 1:54**

It is quietly working on a message, to put on its Web site early next year, to emphasize that screening for breast and prostate cancer and certain other cancers can come with a real risk of overtreating many small cancers while missing cancers that are deadly. Prostate cancer screening has long been problematic. The cancer society, which with more than two million volunteers is one of the nation's largest voluntary health agencies, does not advocate testing for all men.

**SAN FRANCISCO SUPES APPROVE NEW IMMIGRATION POLICY****LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:43**

Undocumented youths arrested on felony charges in San Francisco would have to be convicted before police could turn them over to federal immigration officials under a new policy approved by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. The supervisors voted Tuesday to overturn an existing ordinance that allows police to hand over juvenile illegal immigrants after they have been arrested on felony charge. The supervisors' 8-2 vote is enough to override an expected veto from Mayor Gavin Newsom.

**SMALL BUSSINESS BAILOUT****LOURDES MELUZA. VIRGINIA****PKG 2:04**

President Barack Obama is set to unveil plans to refocus spending of the government's \$700 billion financial bailout away from big financial institutions and toward small businesses. The White House says the initiatives will make it easier for smaller community banks to provide credit to small businesses, which have been hard-hit by the financial crisis. The president's plan also includes a request that Congress increase caps for existing Small Business Administration loans.

**H1N1 LATEST****JAIME GARCIA . LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:14**

New numbers from the government say that young people, age 24 and under, have been hit the hardest by the H1N1 virus, and doubts and fears abound as we head into flu season. Is the U.S. prepared for a potential outbreak? On Wednesday morning members of the Obama administration head to Capitol Hill to help set the record straight. Education Secretary Arne Duncan, Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano and Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius are among those set to testify.

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**10/22/09**

**H1N1 VACCINES**

**JAIMA GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:15**

As the H1N1 virus continues to spread nationwide, a majority of those surveyed -- 52 percent -- now say they are "a great deal" or "somewhat" worried that they or someone in their household will be infected with it, up from 39 percent of those polled in August. Concern is rising fastest among young adults, one of the groups most vulnerable to the virus. In August, just 26 percent of those ages 18 to 29 said they were concerned; now 47 percent are worried. At the same time, however, many Americans are hesitant about being vaccinated or having their children inoculated. More than six in 10 say they will not get vaccinated, and only 52 percent of parents say they plan to have their children vaccinated, even though parents tend to be more worried about the flu.

**EXECUTIVES CUT PAY**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK**

**PKG 1:54**

The Obama administration plans to order companies that received huge government bailouts last year to sharply cut the compensation of their highest paid executives, according to a person familiar with the decision. The seven companies that received the most assistance will have to cut the annual salaries of their 25 highest-paid executive by an average of about 90 percent from last year, said the person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because it has not been announced. This person said Wednesday that the Treasury Department will announce the deep pay cuts within the next few days.

**GAYS ADDED TO HATE CRIME**

**VO :20**

Gays who are physically assaulted because of their sexual orientation receive new federal hate crime protections under legislation heading for President Barack Obama's signature. With a Senate vote on Thursday, Congress has approved a measure that expands current law to include crimes based on gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability. That's one of the most significant expansions of the law since it was enacted after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. in 1968.

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**10/23/09**

**HATE CRIME LEGISLATION**

**LOURDES MELUZA. WAHINGTON, DC**

**PKG :22**

Legislation that would extend hate-crimes protection to gays and lesbians cleared the U.S. Congress Thursday as part of a compromise bill that sets the Pentagon's budget. The bill now heads to the White House, where President Obama will sign it into law or reject it because it approves weapons systems that the Pentagon does not want. It passed the Senate by a vote of 68 to 29. The House approved it on Oct. 8.

### **NY LIFTS MANDATORY VACCINES**

**VO :27**

New York Governor David A. Paterson announced Thursday evening that the State Health Commissioner Richard F. Daines, M.D. has suspended the mandatory influenza vaccines for healthcare workers. The rationale has more to do with a shortage of the H1N1 vaccine than the temporary restraining order that was handed down by a judge last week, State Department of Health spokeswoman Claudia Hutton told the New York Times.

### **HEALTH CARE PUBLIC OPTION**

**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:53**

In pushing to include a government-run health insurance plan in the health care bill, the Senate majority leader, Harry Reid , is taking a calculated gamble that the 60 members of his caucus could support the plan if it included a way for states to opt out. Mr. Reid met with President Obama at the White House Thursday to inform him of his inclination to add the public option to the bill, but did not specifically ask the president to endorse that approach, a Democratic aide said. Mr. Obama asked questions, but did not express a preference at the meeting, a White House official said.

### **FREE SWINE FLU VACCINE**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:02**

Los Angeles County will open the first in a series of swine flu vaccination clinics today, offering free shots to high-risk residents without insurance or a regular source of health care. Fielding has urged residents, especially pregnant women and children, to seek vaccinations from clinics or their doctor. Increasing amounts of H1N1 vaccine are expected to arrive in Los Angeles County on a weekly basis. Public Health's vaccine clinics will provide vaccine free of charge to residents in the H1N1 vaccine priority groups who do not have health insurance or a regular source of health care.

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**10/24/09**

**OBAMA SWINE FLU EMERGENCY**

**ENRIQUE TEUTELO. IN HOUSE****PKG 1:15 & VO :22**

President Barack Obama is making what administration officials are describing as a pre-emptive move against the swine flu. He's declaring the pandemic a national emergency, in an effort to speed treatment to thousands of infected people. Administration officials say the effort is designed to make decisions easier when they need to be made. The declaration authorizes Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius To bypass federal rules when opening offsite hospital centers. And hospitals could change patient rules to allow them faster access to treatment, with government approval. Obama says the months-old outbreak which has killed more than 1,000 in the U.S. continues to evolve. And, with the rates of illness rising rapidly, he says there's a potential to "overburden health care resources."

**FORECLOSURES****BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK****PKG 2:20**

The first night after she surrendered her house to foreclosure, Sheri West endured the darkness in her Hyundai sedan. She parked in her old driveway, with her flower-print dresses and hats piled in boxes on the back seat, and three cherished houseplants on the floor. She used her backyard as a restroom. The second night, she stayed with a friend, and so it continued for more than a year: Ms. West - mother of three grown children, grandmother to six and great-grandmother to one - passed months on the couches of friends and relatives, and in the front seat of her car. But this fall, she exhausted all options. She had once owned and overseen a group home for homeless people. Now, she succumbed to that status herself, checking in to a shelter.

**TEXAS "NO ENGLISH" APOLOGY****VO :23**

Dallas police chief issues public apology after rookie cop issues a ticket because a driver couldn't speak english. Dallas police Chief David Kunkle issued a public apology Friday after learning that a rookie officer issued a ticket to a motorist because she couldn't speak English. "We don't have abilities to determine proficiency in any language, and we shouldn't be doing it in the first place," Kunkle said. "I apologize to the Spanish-speaking Hispanic community." After a review of the records, Kunkle said about a half-dozen officers had issued a total of 38 similar citations. He said police would recommend to the courts that any pending cases be dismissed.

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**10/25/09****OK: SWINE FLU LONG LINES****VO :23**

Long lines in Oklahoma City Saturday, showed many believed the best defense against the flu is a good offense. Thousands packed two metro high schools to get free H1N1 shots. Grant High School's freshman Michaela Bailey was first in line at five in the morning. Not everyone seemed to be a huge fan of getting a shot but after it's all said and done. The Oklahoma City County Health Department officials say they vaccinated over 35-hundred people at both the U. S. Grant and Southeast High flu shot clinics.

**CA: SWINE FLU DRIVE THRU**

**VO :23**

Many Americans stood in long lines Saturday to get the H1N1 vaccine but in Southern California, residents got vaccinated without ever leaving their cars. Hundreds of people took advantage of a drive-thru clinic at Beach Cities Health District in Redondo Beach. The line of cars stretched along several blocks. Los Angeles County Public Health has scheduled over 200 H1N1 vaccination clinics during the next couple weeks. The first round of vaccines is being given to those in priority groups. They include babies, adults with medical problems, pregnant women, and medical workers.

**"NO ENGLISH TICKETS"**

**VIRGILIO AVILA. DALLAS, TEXAS**

**PKG 2:00**

The woman who exposed a Dallas police practice of issuing tickets for failing to speak English is now speaking out for herself. Dallas police Chief David Kunkle apologized Friday for the ticket that was issued to Ernestina Mondragon. Kunkle admitted that 38 similar tickets had been issued in the past three years. Now, Mondragon and Hispanic leaders are demanding change.

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**10/26/09**

**NEW PROGRAM FOR UNLICENCED DRIVERS**

**LUIS MEGID- SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

**PKG 2:00**

Call it sanctuary on wheels: San Francisco is about to give a big break to people, many of them illegal immigrants, who are caught driving without a license. Beginning Sunday, cops will no longer impound cars the first time drivers are pulled over without a license. The reason: Many such drivers are in the United States illegally - and thus unable to get a license - and the officials pushing the change think that impounding their cars is an unfair hardship. Instead, unlicensed drivers will be given 20 minutes to phone a relative or other acquaintance with a valid license and insurance to pick up the car. If the driver doesn't have a cell phone, police will help him contact someone.

**DC: PUBLIC OPTION****VO: 24**

The Nevada Democrat on Monday announced that the Senate's merged health care bill would introduce a government-sponsored program into the health insurance market. But it remains unclear whether Reid, who is facing a tough re-election battle back home, has managed to corral the filibuster-proof 60 votes needed to guarantee passage of a final bill containing a so-called public option. That would include all 57 of his fellow Democratic senators and the two independents who caucus with them.

**EMERGENCY H1N1****PKG 2:00****JAIME GARCIA- LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

Despite long lines and limited supplies of the H1N1 flu vaccine, U.S. efforts against the disease are not too late, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said Monday.

Sebelius acknowledged frustrating waits to get the vaccine, but said some 16.5 million doses are now being made available, with efforts to get more.

**NEW JOBS****PKG 2:15****BLANCA R. VILCHEZ- NUEVA YORK**

An economic survey out Monday provides fresh evidence that a fitful recovery is underway as customer demand grows in the third quarter for the first time in more than a year and the jobs outlook brightens a bit. For the first time since the recession began, the portion of companies planning to add employees in the next six months outnumbered those expecting to cut jobs, according to this month's quarterly survey of economists at 78 firms by the National Association for Business Economics.

**UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS****VO: 25**

Senate Democrats are trying again this week to extend unemployment benefits. Democrats are pushing a bill that would extend expiring benefits for 14 weeks in all states and an extra six weeks in states where unemployment is above 8 1/2 percent. Unhappy with how Democrats' planned to pay for the extended benefits, Republicans refused to let the benefits extension move ahead via unanimous consent.

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**10/27/09****H1N1 VACCINE****PKG 2:21**

**LOURDES MELUZA- WASHINGTON, DC**

In a dramatic sign of Democrats' growing confidence that they have the votes to pass a far-reaching healthcare overhaul, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) said Monday that the bill he intended to send to the Senate floor next month would include a "public option." The provision would allow the federal government to create an insurance plan to be offered to Americans who do not get medical coverage through their employers -- with the proviso that states could opt out of the program.

**FLU PUSHING HOSPITALS****PKG 2:00****BLANCA R. VILCHEZ- NUEVA YORK**

One scenario by the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology forecasts that if 30% of the U.S. population contracts H1N1 flu, 90 million could get sick, 1.8 million would be hospitalized and 30,000 or more would die. The Trust for America's Health, a non-profit public-health advocacy group, reported in early October that if the infection rate hits 35%, many states may run out of hospital beds, forcing hospitals to begin canceling elective procedures. So far, hospitals have been taxed - but not to that degree.

**IMMIGRANT'S RIGHTS****PKG 2:00****JAIME GARCIA**

Workplace immigration raids during the Bush administration interfered with ongoing labor investigations and allowed employers to exploit workers who complained about conditions on the job, labor groups said in a report released Tuesday. The stepped-up immigration enforcement came at the expense of rigorous enforcement of labor protections that are guaranteed to all workers regardless of immigration status, the groups said.

**HOME PRICES REBOUNDING****LUIS MEGID- SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:00**

Home prices rose for the third straight month in August, a key ingredient for a broad and sustained housing recovery. The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller home price index of 20 major cities climbed 1 percent from July to a seasonally adjusted reading of 144.5. While prices are down 11.4 percent from August a year ago, the annual declines have slowed since February.

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**10/28/09****LAPD ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION****JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:13**

The outgoing chief of police urges the department to keep focusing on community outreach. L-A Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa is scheduled to meet with Deputy police Chief Charlie Beck today. It's the first of at least three days of interviews with the finalists chosen by the Police Commission to replace Los Angeles police William Bratton ... whose last day is Saturday. Beck is commander of the L-A-P-D Detective Bureau. He joined the department in 19-77 and was named a deputy chief in August 2006.

### **IMMIGRATION ID CARDS SUIT**

**VO :26**

Ten Connecticut residents have filed a lawsuit accusing federal authorities of violating their rights by conducting an immigration raid in retaliation for a New Haven

program that provided identification cards to foreigners in the country illegally. The sweeps in New Haven on June 6, 2007, came two days after the city approved issuing ID cards to all city residents, regardless of immigration status. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials deny the early-morning raids were retaliatory, saying planning began the year before.

### **OBAMA HATE CRIME**

**VO :11**

The White House just announced that President Obama will hold two White House ceremonies tomorrow on the new defense authorization bill. After a signing ceremony for the \$680 billion defense spending plan, Obama hosts a second event on a new law attached to that bill: The Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act. The act makes it a federal crime to assault someone because of their sexual orientation, disability or gender identity. It is named for the victims of two horrific crimes in 1998: Matthew Shepard, a gay teenager from Wyoming who was beaten to death; and James Byrd, Jr., a black man from Texas who was tied to a pick-up track and dragged to death.

### **SWINE FLU SCHOOL CLOSED**

**VO :11**

Across the country schools are closing by the dozen as officials say they're being hit so hard by swine flu that they feel shutting down for a few days is the only feasible option. The U.S. Education Department says at least 351 schools were closed last week alone -- affecting 126,000 students in 19 states. So far this school year, about 600 total schools have temporarily closed. The number of closures this year appears on target to surpass the roughly 700 schools closed last spring when the swine flu outbreak first hit. Flu season hasn't peaked yet, and each day more schools are closing.

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**10/29/09**

**ECONOMY GROWS LATEST  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK  
PKG 2:28**

Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said he sees positive signs that the economy is recovering, although the recession remains "alive and acute" for families dealing with unemployment and facing home foreclosure. In testimony before the House Financial Services Committee, Geithner said that Americans were saving much more and borrowing less from the rest of the world. The economy grew at an annual rate of 3.5 percent in the third quarter of this year, the strongest rate of growth seen in two years.

**HOUSE HEALTH BILL  
LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:18**

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi will unveil a health-care reform bill on Thursday that includes a government insurance option and a historic expansion of Medicaid, although sticking points in the legislation involving abortion and immigration remain unresolved. Senior Democratic House aides said the bill would likely include a version of the "public option" preferred by moderates and may raise Medicaid eligibility levels to 150 percent of the federal poverty level for all adults, a steeper increase than in earlier drafts.

**ID IMMIGRANTS  
VO :20**

Ten New Haven residents filed a lawsuit Wednesday accusing federal agents of violating their rights during an immigration raid they say was in retaliation for a city program that provided ID cards to foreigners in the country illegally -- the first of its kind in the nation. The sweeps in New Haven on June 6, 2007, came two days after the city approved issuing identification cards to all of its residents, regardless of immigration status. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials have denied that the early morning raids were retaliatory, saying planning began the year before.

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**10/30/09**

**STIMULUS JOBS  
LUIS MEGID. SAN RFANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 1:57**

About 650,000 jobs have been saved or created under President Barack Obama's economic stimulus plan, the White House said Friday, saying the president's goal of 3.5 million jobs by the end of next year is on track. New job numbers from businesses, contractors, state and local governments, nonprofit groups and universities were scheduled to be released publicly later Friday. White House economic adviser Jared Bernstein said the figures will show that, when adding in jobs linked to \$288 billion in tax cuts, the stimulus plan has created or saved more than 1 million jobs.

### **H1N1: 6 MILLION CASES**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:07**

Health officials think that as many as 5.7 million Americans were infected with swine flu during the first few months of the pandemic. Scientists at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that between 1.8 million and 5.7 million Americans were infected from April through July. The estimate is the CDC's most specific calculation to date. Officials had simply been saying millions have been infected. The estimate is in an article in a CDC publication called Emerging Infectious Diseases.

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10/31/09

### **H1N1 VACCINES**

**VO: 20**

Five drug companies are now increasing production of the vaccine for the H1N1 swine flu, and 10 million more doses are expected next week, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said Saturday.

### **VACCINES FOR KIDS**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ- NUEVA YORK**

**PKG 2:16**

Vaccinations will continue at participating elementary schools for about eight weeks. Non-public schools that choose to participate in the city's H1N1 vaccination program will also receive doses during this period. In addition, weekend vaccination sites for middle-school and high-school students will be held in each borough in November.

### **DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME**

**VO: 15**

Say goodbye to the extra hour of evening daylight. The official change to standard time occurs at 2 a.m. Sunday, though most folks will change their clocks Saturday night and get an extra hour of sleep.

### **HALLOWEEN TIPS**

**ANABEL MONGE- SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

**PKG 1:41**

There are many ways to keep your child safe at Halloween, when they are more prone to accidents and injuries. The excitement of children and adults at this time of year sometimes makes them forget to be careful. Simple common sense can do a lot to stop any tragedies from happening.

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**10/01/09**

### **US ECONOMY**

**VO: 19**

The U.S. economy will be growing again by year end, but tight credit conditions for consumers and businesses will hamper the recovery, the International Monetary fund said as it raised its forecast for growth next year to 1.5 percent from 0.8 percent. The IMF also issued a warning about U.S. government finances, saying government debt "could become unsustainable" unless measures are taken to restrain deficits, and that President Obama and Congress should make sure health-care reform does not make deficits worse.

### **TX H1N1 DEATH**

**VO: 20**

Doctors say it could be a long time before we know if an East Texas child's death was caused by the H1N1 virus. But, they're certainly leaning in that direction. 9-year-old Montrell Harris died Tuesday at a Dallas hospital, after testing positive for flu. Harris, who was a student at Jack Elementary in Tyler, also suffered from severe respiratory conditions.

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**10/2/09**

### **FLU VACCINE**

**VO: 29**

The largest U.S. supplier of seasonal flu vaccines says it's running behind on shipping vaccine for the regular, seasonal flu partly because of the crunch to produce millions of doses of the swine flu vaccine. The pharmaceutical company Sanofi Pasteur says it has shipped more than half of the 50 million doses of seasonal flu vaccine order by U.S. health care providers. But the French company has sent notices to customers indicating that additional doses may be delayed. Company spokeswoman Donna Cary says it could be November before some customers get the rest of their orders.

### **US ECONOMY JOBLESS RATES**

**VO: 26**

The unemployment rate rose to 9.8 percent in September as employers cut more jobs than expected, evidence that the longest recession since the 1930s is still inflicting widespread pain. The Labor Department says the nation's economy lost a net total of 263,000 jobs last month, up from a downwardly revised total of 201,000 in August.

### **CENSUS CAMPAIGN**

**LOURDES MELUZA - WASHINGTON, DC****PKG 2:03**

U.S. Census Bureau Director Robert Groves joined prominent Latino groups, labor and faith leaders and leading national Spanish-language media partners today to outline a historic campaign to ensure a full and accurate 2010 Census count of the estimated 50 million Latinos living in the United States. Members of the coalition - called the Ya es Hora !HAGASE CONTAR! (It's Time, Make Yourself Count!) campaign - previewed a series of public service announcement that will begin airing today on major Spanish language media.

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**10/03-10/04 ((NO SHOW))****10/5/09****OBAMA HEALTHCARE****VO: 24**

President Barack Obama is rallying doctors at the White House today as his bid for a health care overhaul enters a key phase.

The president is convinced doctors are the best advocates for reform, since they're direct witness to how broken and cruel the current system is. An aide says doctors know best that inaction is not an option. And Obama is hoping for key action this week, approval by the Senate Finance Committee of its overhaul bill.

**SUPREME COURT NEW TERM****VO: 19**

The Supreme Court begins a new term Monday and new on the court is its first Hispanic woman Justice, Sonia Sotomayor.

One thing court watchers will be looking for is whether her effervescent personality affects the court, and how. Two of the high-profile cases that probably will dominate the term include a challenge to limits on corporate spending in political campaigns and a lawsuit seeking to strike down local handgun bans in the Chicago area.

**MELTDOWN BANKS****VO: 27**

A new report contends the credibility of the government's \$700 billion financial rescue program was damaged by claims a year ago that all of the initial banks receiving support were healthy. Special Inspector General Neil Barofsky generally finds the government acted properly in October 2008 as it scrambled to implement the Troubled Asset Relief Program to avert the collapse of the U.S. financial system.

## **GOOD JOBS UNFILLED**

**VO: 24**

With about 15 million people looking for work, why are so many good jobs going unfilled? Economists say it's due to a mismatch between available work and people qualified to do it. So, even as the unemployment rate nears 10 percent, some employers can't find qualified people for good-paying career jobs. Analysts say it's become especially hard to find accountants, health care workers, software sales representatives, physical therapists and electrical engineers.

## **MELTDOWN NURSING HOME CUTS**

**VO: 36**

The nation's nursing homes are perilously close to laying off workers, cutting services -- possibly even closing -- because of a perfect storm wallop from the recession and deep federal and state government spending cuts. Industry experts say a new Medicare rate adjustment will cut about \$16 billion from nursing homes over the next 10 years. That comes atop state-level cuts that already had the nation's 16,000 nursing homes reeling. Congress may also slash billions more in Medicare funds in the name of health care reform.

## **PREMATURE BIRTH**

**VO: 20**

A March of Dimes official calls it the "13 million baby question." Epidemiologist Christopher Howson is talking about how to tackle the growing problem of premature births around the world. While the proportion of all babies born too early are highest in Africa, it's followed closely by North America, where wealthy nations such as the United States have sophisticated neonatal intensive care units.

## **FLU VACCINES USA**

**VO: 24**

Healthcare workers in Indiana and Tennessee will be among the first to get swine flu vaccines in the United States Monday, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said. Vaccination clinics are scheduled for Monday morning for staff at Le Bonheur Children's Medical Center in Memphis, Tennessee and Wishard Health Services in Indianapolis, the CDC said.

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## **IMMIGRATION DETENTION REFORMS**

**VO: 22**

Former hotels, nursing homes and other sites could be used to hold immigrants who are not criminals or violent. According to documents obtained by The

Associated Press, it's part of a larger plan to reform immigration detention proposed by the homeland security secretary.

## **HEATING COSTS**

### **VO: 26**

People who heat with natural gas may have a little extra money to burn this winter. The government says the winter heating bill should be about \$105 less than it was last winter. Households that use fuel oil, electric heat or propane will also be paying less than last year. It's partly because of lower fuel costs, and partly because of an expected milder winter.

## **HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL**

### **VO: 16**

The last congressional panel working on health care reform will have to wait a little longer before it's done. The Senate Finance Committee was supposed to meet today to vote on the \$900 billion overhaul package that it debated for two weeks. But it's still waiting for a final cost analysis from the Congressional Budget Office so the expectation now is that vote will take place tomorrow.

## **VACCINES FOR H1N1**

### **VO: 20**

The World Health Organisation (WHO) restated its confidence in the H1N1 flu vaccine on Tuesday, calling it the most important tool against the pandemic. Mild adverse side effects such as muscle cramps or headache are to be expected in some cases, but everyone who has access to the vaccine should be inoculated, it said.

## **OBAMA AFGHANISTAN**

### **VO: 36**

President Barack Obama keeps his attention on global terror and security matters on Tuesday, as he continues a series of meetings with advisers and others on Afghanistan. In the morning, he'll visit the National Counterterrorism Center in Washington and meet with top officials there. He'll also address NCTC staff members.

## **RETAIL SALES OUTLOOK**

### **VO: 22**

The usually bullish National Retail Federation isn't painting a rosy picture about holiday sales. The NRF predicts a 1 percent decline in total sales for November and December combined. The NRF is less optimistic this year than several other groups offering holiday sales forecasts. Consumers had already cut back during the fall back-to-school season.

## **VACCINE RAISES HOPE FOR COCAINE ADDICTED**

### **VO: 18**

A vaccine helped block the high felt by cocaine users in 38 percent of people who took it, U.S. researchers said on Monday, offering promise of a new approach to treating those addicted to the drug. The aim is to prevent cocaine's rewarding effects -- the high -- in order to reduce cravings that trigger drug relapses.

### **CALORIES ON MENU**

**VO: 24**

A new study finds New York City's law requiring restaurant chains to post calories on menus doesn't change the eating habits of low-income people. The study tracked customers at McDonald's, Wendy's, Burger King and Kentucky Fried Chicken in poor New York City neighborhoods with high obesity rates.

### **U.S. SCHOOLS DO A LITTLE BETTER TRIMMING JUNK FOOD**

**VO: 26**

U.S. schools are doing a little better to limit the amount of junk food students can buy in vending machines or elsewhere, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said on Monday. The CDC's survey of middle- and high-school principals in 40 U.S. states found that the number of schools limiting carbonated soft drinks was a median of 63 percent in 2008. That compared to 38 percent in 2006.

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### **OBAMA POLL**

**VO: 27**

Most people still think the country is headed in the wrong direction but a new poll says there are more optimists than before and President Barack Obama's numbers are also on the upswing. An Associated Press-GfK poll says 56 percent of those surveyed in the past week approve of Obama's job performance, up from 50 percent in September. It's the first time since he took office in January that his rating has gone up. And those who disapprove of Obama are down to 39 percent, down from 49 percent last month.

### **ARPAIO AGREEMENT**

**CRISTINA PUIG. SATELLITE ROOM**

**PKG 1:56 & VO: 24**

An Arizona sheriff known for aggressively cracking down on illegal immigration has been stripped of some of his special power to enforce federal immigration law, and he claims the Obama administration is taking away his authority for political reasons. Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio, whose office faces racial profiling allegations over crime and immigration sweeps in some heavily Latino

areas of metro Phoenix, said officials from Washington won't let him renew a deal that let his deputies make federal immigration arrests.

#### **DETENTION CENTER**

**LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:12**

The United States, criticized for holding illegal immigrants in overcrowded and poorly run jails, Tuesday announced plans to convert hotels to detain some noncriminal immigrants. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano said illegal immigrants ranging from criminals to newly arrived asylum seekers would be held in different facilities according to the risk they pose. Referring to noncriminals such as newly arrived asylum seekers, Napolitano said, "We will begin efforts to house these populations near immigration service providers and pursue different options like converted hotels or residential facilities for their detention."

#### **HEALTH CARE REFORM**

**VO: 27**

The Senate Finance Committee could receive some numbers it has been waiting for today. The Congressional Budget Office could let committee Chairman Max Baucus know how much the health care reform package that his committee hammered out will cost. Numerous changes will likely bring the cost to around \$900 billion over ten years. Congressional tax experts say the proposed legislation would require health care industries to pay \$121 billion in taxes over ten years -- about \$29 billion more than originally thought. Finance Committee Republicans have been arguing the measure contains too many new taxes.

#### **POLL HEALTH CARE**

**VO: 27**

A new poll suggests public opinion on health care legislation is now an even split and a solid gain for Democrats after September results showed 49 percent opposed. The latest Associated Press-GfK poll has found that the opposition to Obama's health care remake dropped dramatically in just a matter of weeks. Still, Americans remain divided over the complex legislation. The poll finds the public is now split 40-40. In September, only 34 percent of those polled supported the effort. Anger about health care boiled over during August town hall meetings.

#### **AIRLINES SURCHARGE**

**VO: 22**

Flying around the holidays is already more expensive and could get more so. Several big airlines have added \$10 surcharges for busy days around the holidays. Last month airlines added a \$10 each-way surcharge for Nov. 29 (the Sunday after Thanksgiving) and Jan. 2 and 3. Now, FareCompare.com CEO Rick Seaney notes that the same airlines have added 10 more days: Nov. 30; Dec. 19, 26, and 27; March 14, 20, 21, 28; April 11; and May 28. He said the surcharges have been added by Delta Air Lines and Northwest, American

Airlines, United Airlines, Continental Airlines and US Airways. Seaney said discounters such as Southwest and JetBlue appear to be avoiding the surcharges.

## **AGE DISCRIMINATION**

**VO : 24**

Democrats want to counter a recent Supreme Court ruling that makes it harder for older workers to prove they are the victims of age discrimination. The Senate Judiciary Committee is hearing testimony Wednesday on a bill that would effectively nullify a high court decision that changed the interpretation of age bias laws. The high court said it is not enough for employees to show age is a motivating factor in a demotion or layoff. Rather, workers must prove it is the deciding factor.

## **FLU/VACCINE-SEBELIUS**

**VO :24**

U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius Wednesday sought to dispel fears about the H1N1 swine flu vaccine, declaring it safe and urging parents to take precautions against the pandemic. Sebelius was seeking to ease worries about the vaccine to target the new strain of influenza that is spreading around the world and she urged the public to visit flu.gov for more information. Sebelius said it was important to protect the more vulnerable population such as children and pregnant women from the H1N1 flu.

## **WEIGHT A FACTOR IN HOSPITAL ADMISSION**

**VO: 16**

Overweight or underweight children who are seen in the emergency department are more likely to be admitted to the hospital, and to stay longer, than normal-weight youngsters, according to a study reported Monday at the American College of Emergency Physicians' annual meeting in Boston. "The bottom line is, like anything else, being in the middle (weight) range is best," Dr. Adam Singer from the State University of New York at Stony Brook told Reuters Health.KIDS.

## **GAY MARIAGE**

**VO: 29**

Even opponents say a gay marriage bill introduced in the nation's capital today seems nearly certain to pass. But the question is: if the measure passes the District of Columbia city council, will it still become law in the District of Columbia? That's because Congress gets to review all D.C. legislation before it takes effect. But, in July, D.C. began recognizing same-sex marriages performed elsewhere. Congress had its chance to act on that legislation, but didn't. If the new bill becomes law, D.C. will follow Massachusetts, Connecticut, Iowa and Vermont in issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples. New Hampshire starts issuing them in January.

## **DETENTION CENTER**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:52**

The story talk about the things that many immigrants have gone trough in detentions center. In many cases not having medical treatment, legal advice and living in precarious conditions. Includes reactions from immigrants advocates or/and families of detainees.

**BREAST CANCER****VO: 21**

Women who never got mammograms are far more likely to die of breast cancer than women who are regularly screened, U.S. researchers reported Tuesday. They said 75 percent of the women they studied who died of breast cancer had never had a mammogram, or were diagnosed after their very first mammogram. Only 25 percent of the women they studied who died of breast cancer had received more than one mammogram.

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**10/08/09****BUDGET DEFICIT****VO: 30**

Congressional analysts say the federal budget deficit tripled to a record \$1.4 trillion for the 2009 fiscal year that ended last week. The unprecedeted flood of red ink flows from several factors, including a big drop in tax revenues due to the recession, \$245 billion in emergency spending on the Wall Street bailout and the takeover of mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Then there is almost \$200 billion in costs from President Barack Obama's economic stimulus bill. The previous record deficit was \$459 billion and was set just last year. Obama has attributed the nation's dismal fiscal situation to the financial and economic crises he inherited.

**SENATE HEALTH BILL \$829 BILLION****VO :21**

Health care legislation drafted by a key Senate committee would expand coverage to 94 percent of all eligible Americans at a 10-year cost of \$829 billion, congressional budget experts said Wednesday, a preliminary estimate trumpeted by the White House and likely to power the measure past a major hurdle within days. The Congressional Budget Office added that the legislation would reduce federal deficits by \$81 billion over a decade and probably lead to "continued reductions in federal" red ink in the years beyond.

**IMMIGRATION NO MATCH****VO: 21**

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) today formally issued a final rule rescinding the Social Security "no match" rule. The "no match" rule, which was

never implemented, would have forced employers to fire workers based on discrepancies in their Social Security records. DHS first announced its plan to rescind the rule in July, and with today's publication of a final rule in the Federal Register, the rescission will go into effect in 30 days.

## **US RETAIL SALES**

### **VO: 26**

The number of new claims for jobless benefits falls to the lowest level since early January, as employers cut fewer workers. The Labor Department says first-time claims for unemployment insurance dropped last week to a seasonally adjusted 521,000, from the previous week's upwardly revised total of 554,000. That's better than the 540,000 that Wall Street economists expected, according to a survey by Thomson Reuters. The drop is the fourth in five weeks. The four-week average, which smooths fluctuations, fell to 539,750, the lowest since Jan. 17. The number of people continuing to claim benefits declined by 72,000 to 6.04 million. Analysts expected continuing claims to rise slightly.

## **YOUTH VIOLENCE EPIDEMIC**

### **LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

### **PKG 1:48**

US Attorney General Eric Holder and Education Secretary Arne Duncan made a trip to Chicago to meet with city leaders to discuss youth violence in the wake of the beating death of 16-year-old Derrion Albert. Holder says youth violence is an American problem and not just a Chicago problem. He says the nation was shocked at the violence on the video that captured Albert's fatal beating.

## **SICK DAY H1N1**

### **VO: 26**

With a vaccine for the H1N1 virus still some time away, the lack of paid sick leave for almost half of all working Americans in the private sector is a potential public health crisis. Not only are these working adults likely to show up at work with potential infectious symptoms - or fear losing their job - they are likely to send sick kids to school for the same reason. Nationwide, the same trend holds: The proportions of workers without paid leave are higher in lower-wage industries, including food service, nursing care, and retail workers.

## **CANCER MICROCHIP**

### **VO: 22**

"A Review of the Literature 1990-2006," is a definitive review of research showing a causal link between implanted radio-frequency (RFID) microchip transponders and cancer in laboratory rodents and dogs. It was written in part to correct industry misstatements and misinformation circulating about the studies. The report evaluates eleven articles previously published in toxicology and pathology journals. In six of the articles, between 0.8% and 10.2% of laboratory mice and rats developed malignant tumors around or adjacent to the microchips. Two

additional articles reported microchip-related cancer in dogs. See Original Research Articles section below for details.

### **ANTIBIOTICS IN THE ER: IT'S OFTEN ONE-SIZE-FITS ALL**

#### **VO: 26**

Doctors who work in hospital emergency rooms rarely adjust antibiotic doses for obese patients, which can lead to inadequate treatment and fuel antibiotic resistance, according to research reported Tuesday at the American College of Emergency Physicians annual meeting in Boston. "For certain antibiotics, people who are larger require a larger dose to get and maintain the proper concentration that will reliably kill the bacteria we're trying to get at," study co-researcher Dr. Michael Mullins told Reuters Health.

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### **OBAMA AFGHANISTAN TROOPS**

#### **VO: 23**

The latest in a series of top-level White House meetings about the war in Afghanistan could provide a venue for the first discussion of the troop request submitted by the U.S. commander there. The fourth of five sessions is scheduled Friday afternoon with President Barack Obama and more than a dozen key administration officials. Up to now, the lengthy Situation Room discussions involving Afghanistan and Pakistan have stuck to strategy formulation, not the resources question.

### **SHOOT THE MOON**

**CRISTINA PUIG - MIAMI, FLORIDA**

#### **PKG 1:23**

Two NASA spacecraft are barreling toward the moon at twice the speed of a bullet, about to crash into a lunar crater in a search for ice.

If all goes well, the impact will be beamed back live to Earth. The first and much bigger crash is set for 7:31 a.m. EDT. That's when an empty rocket that weighs 2.2 tons should hit the crater Cabeus and create a minicrater about half the size of an Olympic pool. It should kick up a plume of lunar debris about six miles high.

### **FORECLOSURE AID**

#### **VO: 32**

A government watchdog says the Obama administration's effort to help homeowners avoid foreclosure may not achieve its goal of helping up to 4 million borrowers and may not be enough to dampen the impact of the foreclosure crisis on the economy.

### **HEALTHCARE TARGET WOMEN**

**VO: 26**

The White House and top Democrats, intensifying their push to build support for their party's health overhaul proposals, are increasingly targeting women, a politically crucial group with strong opinions on health care that polls suggest has yet to be sold on the changes.

**GIVING GARDASIL TO BOYS NOT COST EFFECTIVE****VO: 17**

Vaccinating boys against the virus that causes cervical cancer and genital warts does not appear to be cost-effective, U.S. researchers said on Thursday.

Assuming all girls get the shot, adding boys to a national vaccination program may not be worth the expense, they said.

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**HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL****VO: 24**

After working for months behind the scenes to help shape health care reform, the insurance industry is now sharply attacking the emerging plan with a report that maintains Senate legislation would increase the cost of a typical policy by hundreds, or even thousands, of dollars a year.

**CALIFORNIA WATER****VO: 25**

California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and legislative leaders plan a seventh straight day of water negotiations today and the Legislature has been called into special session. Talks on how to address the state's deteriorating and inadequate water system ended late yesterday after nearly 12 hours, though leaders said they moved closer to a deal.

**SWINE FLU LATEST**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ - NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:12**

A top U.S. health official says the risks from not getting the swine flu vaccine are greater than any potential risks associated with the vaccine.

Dr. Anne Schuchat of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says she's surprised by all the misinformation going around about the new vaccine. She says a good safety record from past vaccines bodes well for the swine flu vaccine now becoming available.

**SUMMERS ON ECONOMY****VO: 29**

U.S. President Barack Obama's top economic adviser said Monday the United States is on the path toward economic recovery, conditions in financial markets are steadier and there have been initial signs of stabilization in the housing market. "Thanks largely to the Recovery Act, alongside an aggressive financial stabilization plan and a program to keep responsible homeowners in their homes, we have walked a substantial distance back from the economic abyss and are on the path toward economic recovery," Larry Summers said in a letter to be sent to Republican House Leader John Boehner that amounted to a defense of the Democratic Obama administration's policies on the economy.

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**10/13/09**

**HEALTHCARE REFORM LATEST  
LOURDES DEL RIO - MIAMI, FLORIDA  
PKG 2:00**

The health insurance industry is striking back against the Senate's current plan for health care reform claiming that the plan will not only fail to reduce costs but will actually increase the cost of coverage for the privately-insured by thousands of dollars a year. Over the weekend America's Health Insurance Plans, an industry trade group, released to its members a PricewaterhouseCoopers analysis which projected that the current Senate legislation would cause premiums for families to increase by \$4000 by the year 2019. Sen. Baucus' spokesman defended the \$829 billion dollar overhaul plan casting doubt on the legitimacy of the new study claiming "it's a health insurance company hatchet job." The legislation faces a final Finance committee vote tomorrow.

**IMMIGRATION REFORM BILL PREVIEW  
JAIME GARCIA - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:02**

Hispanic lawmakers in the House are writing an immigration reform bill that will outline the minority community's position before the debate begins in Congress. The House and Senate are not expected to take up comprehensive immigration reform until next year, but those involved in writing the bill say the legislation being prepared by Rep. Luis Gutierrez, D-Ill., will lay down a marker on what is expected. Members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus are behind the effort to lay a legislative blueprint.

**STIMULUS JOBS  
VO: 32**

State officials say President Barack Obama's \$787 billion stimulus plan has spared tens of thousands of teachers from losing their jobs.

The national data won't be available until later this month. But based on preliminary information obtained by The Associated Press from a handful of states, teachers appear to have benefited most from early spending. That's because the stimulus sent billions of dollars to help stabilize state budgets, sparing what officials say would have teacher layoffs.

## **CHICAGO FARE INCREASES**

**VO: 29**

The Chicago Transit Authority is recommending fare increases that would see commuters who rely on the nation's second-largest transit system paying more than almost anywhere else in the U.S. The 2010 budget proposal made Monday would have the basic subway fare go up 33 percent, from \$2.25 to \$3.00. Simultaneously, the agency would reduce subway service by 9 percent and bus service by 18 percent.

## **HOSPITAL RADIATION OVERDOSES**

**VO: 20**

Hospital officials say a computer-resetting error caused radiation overdoses for 206 patients who underwent CT scans at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. In a written statement Monday, hospital officials said "a misunderstanding about an embedded default setting applied by the machine" resulted in a higher than expected amount of radiation. Officials say the 206 patients received eight times the normal dose of radiation -- an error that went undetected for 18 months. A hospital spokesman says about 40 percent of the patients lost patches of hair as a result.

## **INSURANCE FAT BABIES**

**VO: 21**

A Colorado insurance company is changing its attitude about fat babies. Rocky Mountain Health Plans said Monday it will no longer consider obesity a "pre-existing condition" barring coverage for hefty infants.

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## **HEALTHCARE REFORM LATEST**

**VO/SOT :45**

Small neighborhood banks and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce are overshadowing the nation's biggest banks in influencing lawmakers as Congress begins the initial phase of its long-awaited overhaul of how the government regulates financial companies. The House Financial Services Committee on Wednesday is taking up key elements of President Barack Obama's proposal for correcting the practices of banks, investment houses and other financial institutions that caused last year's economic collapse.

**IMMIGRATION AGING CHILDREN****VO: 21**

A federal judge has ruled that adult children who turn 21 while waiting for family-sponsored green cards have to wait anew once they "age out" of their parents' applications. U.S. District Judge James Selna ruled in Los Angeles against a group of immigrants with green cards who sued the federal government, arguing a 2002 law means grown children should be allowed into the country when their parents file new paperwork on their behalf.

**US ECONOMY SURVEY****VO: 30**

The worst U.S. recession since the Great Depression has ended, but weak household spending as the labor market struggles to create jobs will slow the pace of the economy's recovery, according to a survey released Monday. The survey of 44 professional forecasters released by the National Association for Business Economics, also known as the NABE, found that 80 percent of the respondents believed the economy was growing again after four straight quarters of declines.

**FORD RECALL****VO: 23**

Ford issued the largest single recall in its history Tuesday as drivers of an additional 4.5 million vehicles were alerted about a fire hazard from a faulty switch. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said this was the eighth recall, involving a total of 16 million Ford Motor (F, Fortune 500) vehicles, concerning the cruise control deactivation switch manufactured by Texas Instruments (TXN, Fortune 500). The faulty switch can leak hydraulic fluid, overheat, smoke and then burn, and risks causing a fire even when the ignition is turned off, parked and unattended, the NHTSA said.

**MANDATORY FLU VACCINATION****VO: 19**

Tuesday that the state health commissioner withdraw a new regulation requiring hundreds of thousands of health care workers to get both seasonal and swine flu vaccinations. In testimony before several State Assembly committees in Lower Manhattan, Donna Lieberman, executive director of the civil liberties union, said that the requirement violated the constitutional right of health care workers to control their bodies and their medical treatment.

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**10/15/09****SOCIAL SECURITY COLA: ANNOUNCEMENT**

**VO: 27**

Senior citizens get the bad news officially today from the Social Security Administration: no COLA next year. It will be the first year without a cost of living increase since automatic adjustments were adopted in 1975. The reason is the absence of inflation thanks to the recession. The announcement comes as President Barack Obama and key members of Congress call for a second round of \$250 payments to more than 50 million seniors, veterans, retired railroad workers and people with disabilities. The payments would be equal to about a 2 percent increase for the average Social Security recipient. The cost: \$13 billion.

**SWINE FLU VACCINE KIDS DOBLE DOSIS****VO: 28**

Test results of its swine flu vaccine suggest that children under 10 are likely to need two shots to be fully protected, vaccine maker Sanofi Pasteur said Wednesday. Federal officials said the news is not surprising, since this age group needs two doses of regular seasonal flu vaccine the very first time they ever are given a flu vaccine for full immunity to develop. The new Sanofi results back up what government tests are showing, said Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. For younger children, the protection from one shot is "modest but not sufficient to allow for one dose to do the trick," he said.

**LA SHERIFF DEPORTATIONS****JAIME GARCIA - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:12**

The Wake County Sheriff's Department is one of eight local law enforcement agencies in North Carolina and 66 across the nation authorized by the federal government to identify illegal immigrants and process them for possible deportation under a program known as 287(g). Virginia is the only other state with more participating agencies. There are four such agreements in California, including one with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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**ARPAIO CITES NON-EXISTENT LAW IN CRIME-SWEEP ARGUMENT****VO: 23**

Arpaio cited a non-existent federal law and included a legal interpretation taken from an anti-immigration Web site in a document he distributed during a news conference last week. Arpaio used the document to bolster his claim that he can continue to arrest undocumented immigrants during controversial crime sweeps even without a special agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

## **DHS RESHAPES ITS IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM**

### **VO: 24**

A controversial federal program that deputizes state and local law enforcement agents to catch illegal immigrants is expanding under the Obama administration, despite changes announced this summer intended to curb alleged racial profiling and other police abuses. The Department of Homeland Security is expected to report Friday morning that a small number of the 66 participating agencies have dropped out because of the new federal requirements, officials said. And those losses are offset by applications from 13 additional police and sheriff's departments, a federal official said, speaking on condition of anonymity before the formal announcement.

## **SMOKING BANS REDUCE HEART ATTACKS: STUDY**

### **VO: 25**

Bans on public places really do work at reducing heart attacks from secondhand smoke, a major study finds. Smoke-free policies can reduce the risk of heart attack by up to 47 percent and significantly reduce the likelihood of other heart problems, according to a report released Thursday by the U.S. Institute of Medicine (IOM). The report also found compelling evidence that even a brief exposure to secondhand smoke can trigger a heart attack.

## **FDA WARNS AGAINST BUYING H1N1 TREATMENTS ONLINE**

### **VO: 18**

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration today warned consumers to use extreme care when purchasing any products over the Internet that claim to diagnose, prevent, treat or cure the H1N1 influenza virus. The warning comes after the FDA recently purchased and analyzed several products represented online as Tamiflu (oseltamivir), which may pose risks to patients. One of the orders, which arrived in an unmarked envelope with a postmark from India, consisted of unlabeled, white tablets taped between two pieces of paper. When analyzed by the FDA, the tablets were found to contain talc and acetaminophen, but none of the active ingredient oseltamivir. The Web site disappeared shortly after the FDA placed the order. At the same time, the FDA also purchased four other products purported to diagnose, prevent, treat or cure the H1N1 influenza virus from other Web sites.

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## **NEW MEDICAL MARIJUANA POLICY ISSUED**

**VO :30**

The Obama administration will not seek to arrest medical marijuana users and suppliers as long as they closely conform to state laws. The Justice Department is set to issue new policy guidelines on medical marijuana Monday. Two department officials described the new policy to The Associated Press, saying federal prosecutors will be told it is not a good use of their time to arrest people who use or provide medical marijuana in compliance with state laws. The new policy is a significant departure from the Bush administration, which insisted it would continue to enforce federal anti-pot laws regardless of state codes. Fourteen states allow some use of marijuana for medical purposes.

### **BARACK OBAMA CONSIDERING ANOTHER STIMULUS PACKAGE**

**VO :23**

President Barack Obama is considering all options to create jobs, including another stimulus package, while trying to pull the out of a deep recession and deal with a record deficit, White House advisers said on Sunday. With more than half of the \$787 billion recovery package yet to be spent, Obama aides said the administration is not ready to commit to additional measures.

### **WHITE HOUSE SAYS STIMULUS SAVING EDUCATION JOBS**

**VO :21**

The Obama administration said on Monday its economic stimulus had saved or created 250,000 education jobs, as it sought to push back against Republicans who contend the package was wasteful and had not worked. Faced with pressure to act to help spur job growth with the U.S. unemployment rate at 9.8 percent, President Barack Obama is considering new steps to help the economy, on top of the \$787 billion stimulus package passed earlier this year.

### **ARIZONA JOE ARPAIO RAIDS**

**ALEJANDRA ESPINOZA / PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

**PKG 1:57**

After 2 days of operative in on the part of bailiffs of the sheriff in the Valley Northwest its residents complain which these lived to got worse already but aggravated to economic situation of Surprise and the Mirage. This while the affected families complaint discrimination at the time of the arrests.

### **TEXAS POLICE IMMIGRATION CONTROLS**

**PEDRO ROJAS / HOUSTON, TEXAS**

**PKG 1:58**

Some state and local police are having second thoughts about working with the federal government to enforce immigration laws. Under what's known as the 287(g) program, agencies sign a voluntary agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and are trained to check legal status of prisoners and crime suspects, and to initiate deportations. The contract can specify enforcement in jail, in the community or both. Several police agencies have complained that new rules set by the Obama administration would cost too much time and money and, in some cases, damage their relationship with immigrants.

**INTERNATIONAL PARENTAL CHILD ABDUCTION  
RYAN DOOLEY & MARTHA PACHECO / MIAMI, FLORIDA  
INTERVIEW 5:00MIN. APPROX.**

Under the laws of the United States and many foreign countries, international parental child abduction is crime. Removing a child from the United States against another parent's wishes can be considered a crime in every U.S. state. In some cases an abducting parent may be charged with a Federal crime under the International Parental Kidnapping Crime Act (IPKCA). This can be the case even when neither parent holds a custody decree prior to the abduction. Nevertheless, a custody decree can be helpful to prevent an international parental child abduction, or to recover your child if he/she is abducted.

**INFLUENZA A H1N1  
DR. JORGE ARANA / ATLANTA, GEORGIA  
INTERVIEW 5:00MIN. APPROX.**

This flu season, scientists expect both 2009 H1N1 flu and seasonal flu to cause more people to get sick than a regular flu season. More hospital stays and deaths may also occur. Vaccines are the most important tool we have for preventing influenza. This season, there is a seasonal flu vaccine to protect against seasonal flu viruses and a 2009 H1N1 vaccine to protect against the 2009 H1N1 influenza virus (sometimes called "swine flu"). Each seasonal influenza vaccine contains three influenza viruses-one A (H3N2) virus, one regular seasonal A (H1N1) virus (not the 2009 H1N1 virus), and one B virus. The viruses in the vaccine change each year based on international surveillance and scientists' estimations about which types and strains of viruses will circulate in a given year. About 2 weeks after vaccination, antibodies that provide protection against influenza virus infection develop in the body.

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**MORTGAGE HELP  
VO :21**

Home buyers, as well as renters, could benefit from a program being unveiled today by the Obama administration. Officials say the goal is to provide hundreds of thousands of affordable mortgages for working families, and to allow the development or rehabilitation of tens of thousands of affordable rental properties. The program will operate under a law passed last year to bolster the housing industry. It will feature two parts, a new bond purchase program to support new lending by housing finance agencies and a temporary credit and liquidity program to improve access by housing agencies to credit sources for their existing bonds.

**HEALTHCARE POLL  
VO :27**

A new poll suggests more and more Americans are worried about losing their current health care coverage. As the health care debate nears the floor of the Senate, the poll from the nonpartisan Robert Wood Johnson Foundation finds conflicting views on whether an overhaul will help, make things worse or do nothing. About one-third of respondents say they're worried about losing current coverage in the next 12 months. That's a slight increase from 29 percent in August. The share who say they're worried has gone up by 11 percentage points since spring. Forty percent of young adults surveyed say they're concerned, but even 29 percent of seniors say they're worried, despite having taxpayer-subsidized coverage through Medicare.

#### **STUDY: STATES CAN'T AFFORD DEATH PENALTY**

**VO :21**

Death penalty costs can average \$10M more per year per state than life terms Eleven state legislatures have considered repealing the death penalty this year Study relied on U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics data from 33 large urban counties.

#### **SCHOOL LUNCHES**

**VO :24**

Improving nutritional value of U.S. school food programs by increasing servings of fruits, vegetables and whole grains could increase the cost of breakfast by as much as 25 percent and lunch by 9 percent, according to a report released on Tuesday. A report from the Institute of Medicine, an arm of the National Academies, proposed updating school meal programs to meet nutritional needs and foster better eating habits, but recognized healthier, fresher ingredients would boost costs, especially at breakfast where fruit servings would increase.

#### **RECALL BABY FOOD**

**VO :19**

There's a national baby food recall. Plum Organics is recalling some of its apple and carrot portable pouch baby food because of concerns over possible botulism contamination. The product was sold individually throughout the country at Toys-R-Us and Babies-R-Us stores. The California-based company says the product did not meet the FDA guidelines for proper acidity level, leaving it vulnerable to botulism contamination. Botulism is a serious and sometimes life-threatening condition. Consumers should not use these products, even if they appear to be normal, because of the possible health risk. No illnesses have been reported in connection with the baby food, and the company says no other Plum Organics products are affected.

#### **AIDS VACCINE**

**VO :26**

Scientists say further analysis of tests on an experimental AIDS vaccine offer disappointment and cause for optimism. The latest results confirm that it is only

marginally effective and suggest that its protection against HIV infection may wane over time. But scientists say one exciting part is that the vaccine does seem to have some effect, the first time that's happened. Scientists also think blood samples from the trial may show how to make a vaccine that does a better job. The results also hint that the vaccine may work better in the general population than in those at higher risk of infection. The test was done using thousands of HIV-negative men and women in Thailand ages 18 to 30 at average risk of becoming infected.

## **SWINE FLU-NURSES**

### **VO :31**

A nurses' union is threatening a one-day strike at 34 hospitals across California, accusing them of poor swine flu preparedness. California Nurses Association spokesman Chuck Idelson says up to 16,000 registered nurses will strike on Oct. 30 if federal swineflu recommendations aren't written into their contracts. Idelson said Monday that nurses have complained about poor access to protective masks since a Sacramento nurse died in July after contracting swine flu. Catholic Healthcare West runs 28 of the hospitals expected to be affected by the strike. Hospital chain spokeswoman Jill Dryer says contract negotiations have been under way since March and include a commitment to provide safe working environments for nurses.

## **FLU HOSPITAL VISITORS**

### **VO :24**

Hospitals around the country are turning away visiting children and tightening restrictions on adults, too, in hopes of limiting the spread of swine flu in the hallways. Utah and Colorado are recommending visitor limits for hospitals statewide. But mostly it's a hospital-by-hospital decision. Some hospitals are trying education instead of rules, posting signs that urge people of any age to postpone that visit if they have a sniffle or cough. But there's little science the limits work. Consequently, neither the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention nor the American Hospital Association have set guidelines on the issue.

## **H1N1 LATEST**

### **FERNANDO PIZARRO / WASHINGTON, DC**

### **PKG 1:49**

The pandemic H1N1 flu virus was confirmed for the first time Monday in a U.S. hog, which was exhibited at the Minnesota State Fair where four teenagers became sick, the Agriculture Department said Monday. USDA said the discovery does not suggest infection of commercial pig herds raised for slaughter. Health officials say the virus, originally known as swine flu, is not linked to meat products.

## **RAISING SCHOLARSHIP MONEY**

### **LUIS MEGID/ BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:58**

Catalino Tapia arrived in America from Mexico at the age of 20 with six dollars in his pocket and a sixth grade education. He worked hard, eventually starting his own gardening business to support his wife and two sons. His proudest moment came when his son graduated from UC Berkeley law school. It was also pivotal. Tapia decided that more young Latinos should have the chance to reach the same heights. He launched the Bay Area Gardeners' Foundation, a nonprofit comprised of area gardeners that provide scholarships to low-income Latinos. Tapia and his fellow gardeners asked their employers and local businesses to donate to the fund, and they raised \$250,000 in the first two years. In 2007, they awarded grants to 18 students, who were all from low-income families, had a desire to go to college, and had at least a 2.5 grade point average. Recipients also pledge to give 20 hours of community service for each year they receive scholarship funds.

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**OBAMA SMALL BUSINESS  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEA - NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:10**

President Barack Obama is expected to announce a series of initiatives Wednesday aimed at boosting credit to small businesses, an administration official said, as the White House tries to address a thorny problem which many believe is a continuing drag on the economy. The White House will move to increase the caps on existing Small Business Administration loans. It will also include measures to make it easier for small banks to access funds from the Troubled Asset Relief Program. The Obama administration has struggled to figure out what to do for small businesses and has spent months trying to get its initial program off the ground.

**US AUTO BAILOUT****VO: 33**

U.S. stocks rose Wednesday, boosted by progress on a bailout of the U.S. auto industry, even as opposition to the plan from several Senate Republicans shaved earlier gains. "It appears that there's some sort of a snag," said Peter Cardillo, chief market economist at Avalon Partners. "But the market knows that [the bailout] is going to happen in one shape or another." A jump in the price of oil also helped lift energy shares, providing support for the overall market, thanks to "President-elect Obama's plan to boost this economy," Cardillo added.

**UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS****VO:23**

Fewer states posted an increase in unemployment in September, even as the national rate recently hit a 26-year high of 9.8%. Jobless rates increased in 23

states and the District of Columbia last month, according to a report released Wednesday by the Labor Department. Additionally, 19 states posted a decrease in unemployment, and eight states had rates hold steady in September. That's compared to August, when 27 states and the District of Columbia recorded month-over-month unemployment rate increases.

## **HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL**

**VO:21**

A key U.S. Senate committee endorsed a sweeping healthcare overhaul on Tuesday, gaining the support of an influential Republican and delivering President Barack Obama a victory on his top domestic priority. The Democratic-controlled Senate Finance Committee approved the measure by 14-9, with Senator Olympia Snowe becoming the first Republican in Congress to back a healthcare reform bill. Snowe, who had been courted by Obama and his fellow Democrats, said she backed the plan with reservations and could not guarantee her continued support as the overhaul advances through Congress. "My vote today is my vote today. It doesn't forecast what my vote will be tomorrow," Snowe said, warning there was still a long road ahead for healthcare reform.

## **US GUANTANAMO**

**VO: 20**

The Supreme Court agreed Tuesday to decide whether Guantanamo detainees who are considered no threat can be ordered released in the United States - over the objections of the Obama administration and Congress - if the prisoners have nowhere else to go. The case could further complicate the administration's plans to close the Guantanamo prison where 220 or so men are still held.

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## **FINANCIAL OVERHAUL(file)**

**VO: 21**

A House committee is expected to approve a bill today creating a new Consumer Financial Protection Agency. The agency would regulate popular financial products like mortgages, credit cards and savings accounts. The vote would be a victory for President Barack Obama, who has made the agency a top priority in his effort to tighten the rules governing Wall Street and prevent another economic crisis.

But there's plenty of fine print that will limit the new agency's reach.

## **HOMEBUYERS TAX CREDIT (file)**

**VO: 29**

House panel is looking into concerns of fraud among those taking advantage of the first-time homebuyer tax credit. The program has been central to the Obama

administration's effort to get the housing market back on track. The Ways and Means subcommittee hearing today comes as Congress considers whether to extend, and possibly expand, a stimulus act provision that allows qualified first-time homebuyers a tax credit of up to \$8,000. That benefit is scheduled to expire at the end of November.

## **OBAMA-EXECUTIVE PAY**

### **VO: 22**

The Obama administration plans to order companies that received huge government bailouts last year to sharply cut the compensation of their highest paid executives, according to a person familiar with the decision. The seven companies that received the most assistance will have to cut the annual salaries of their 25 highest-paid executive by an average of about 90 percent from last year, said the person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because it has not been announced. This person said Wednesday that the Treasury Department will announce the deep pay cuts within the next few days.

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## **HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL**

### **VO: 25**

Members of the Senate Finance Committee on Wednesday made slow progress on a sweeping health-care overhaul bill, turning aside an amendment that would have further delayed the measure and preparing for bigger, more-contentious amendments to come. Senators narrowly shot down an amendment by Sen. Jim Bunning, R-Ky., that would have made the bill's language public ahead of the vote, as well as the final cost analysis from the Congressional Budget Office. Bunning wanted both to be posted on the committee's Web site for 72 hours before members take a final vote. But Sen. Max Baucus, the Montana Democrat who chairs the panel, is seeking to vote on the bill this week.

## **GAYS-HATE CRIMES**

### **VO: 24**

a vote of 68-29, the U.S. Senate passed a hate crimes bill making violence against gays and lesbians a Federal crime on Thursday. The bill is expected to be signed by President Obama. The passage of the bill is seen as a victory for civil rights groups that have long sought to expand the Federal statute beyond attacks motivated by religion, race, color or national origin. Named in honor of Matthew Shepard, a gay student at the University of Wyoming who was beaten to death in 1998, and for James Byrd Jr., an African American in Texas who was chained to a pickup and dragged to death the same year, the bill was attached to a \$680-billion Pentagon measure.

## **GAY MARRIAGE-CENSUS**

**VO: 25**

The U.S. Census Bureau is making an unprecedented effort to include same-sex couples in next year's national population count, but legally married gay couples won't show up as such in the official once-a-decade tally, bureau representatives said Thursday. Statistical problems related to the development of the 2010 census form and the evolving legal state of same-sex relationships led Census officials to conclude that trying to include married gay couples in the overall snapshot of household marital status could yield an inaccurate number, said Gary Gates, a University of California, Los Angeles demographer who has been advising the bureau on gay issues.

## **AMBULANCES OBESE PATIENTS**

**VO: 18**

The memory still bothers Ken Keller: A panicked ambulance crew had a critically ill patient, but the man weighed more than 1,000 pounds and could not fit inside the vehicle. And the stretcher wasn't sturdy enough to hold him. The crew offered an idea to Keller, who was then an investigator with the Kansas Board of Emergency Medical Services. Could they use a forklift to load the man - bed and all - onto a flatbed truck? Keller agreed: There was no other choice. "I'm sure it was terribly embarrassing to be in his own bed, riding on the back of a flatbed with straps tying him down, going to the hospital, and then have a forklift at the hospital unload him," Keller said. As the nation battles the obesity crisis, ambulance crews are trying to improve how they transport extremely heavy patients, who become significantly more difficult to move as they surpass 350 pounds. And caring for such patients is expensive, requiring costly equipment and extra workers, so some ambulance companies have started charging higher fees for especially overweight people.

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## **H1N1 NOW NATIONAL EMERGENCY**

**VO :30**

President Barack Obama has declared 2009 H1N1 swine flu a national emergency, the White House said. The declaration will make it easier for U.S. medical facilities to handle a surge in flu patients by allowing the waiver of some requirements of Medicare, Medicaid and other federal health insurance programs as needed, the White House said in a statement.

## **SAN FRANCISCO TO EASE UP ON UNLICENSED DRIVERS**

**VO:24**

San Francisco is about to give a big break to people, many of them illegal immigrants, who are caught driving without a license. Cops will no longer impound cars the first time drivers are pulled over without a license. The reason: Many such drivers are in the United States illegally and thus unable to get a license - and the officials pushing the change think that impounding their cars is an unfair hardship. Instead, unlicensed drivers will be given 20 minutes to phone a relative or other acquaintance with a valid license and insurance to pick up the car. If the driver doesn't have a cell phone, police will help him contact someone.

## **HOTEL OWNER TELLS HISPANIC WORKERS TO CHANGE NAMES**

**O/C :26**

In New Mexico, ex-employees of a hotel of the Taos city protest against the owner of the business to which they describe as racist, because he prevent them to speak in spanish in front of him. The demonstrators also complained that the proprietor of the hotel asked latin employees to change their names to english. The peculiar thing is that the hispanic measures of the industrialist do not have capacity in a city where the spanish has one long history in the city.

## **VITAMIN D KIDS**

**VO :30**

A recent analysis suggests at least one in five U.S. children aged 1 to 11 don't get enough vitamin D and the main author says the number is between 80 and 90 percent for minority kids. A vitamin D deficiency could put kids at risk for a variety of health problems including weak bones. Dr. Jonathan Mansbach calls the statistics for black and Hispanic children "astounding numbers" that should serve as a call to action. He's a researcher at Harvard Medical School and Children's Hospital in Boston. Vitamin D deficiency in children, teens and adults is a concern because of recent studies suggesting the vitamin might help prevent serious diseases, including infections, diabetes and even some cancers. Exactly how much vitamin D children and adults should get, and defining when they are deficient, is still under debate.

## **UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**VO :28**

Senate Democrats are trying again this week to extend unemployment benefits. Democrats are pushing a bill that would extend expiring benefits for 14 weeks in all states and an extra six weeks in states where unemployment is above 8 1/2 percent. Unhappy with how Democrats' planned to pay for the extended benefits, Republicans refused to let the benefits extension move ahead via unanimous consent. Democrats now indicate they're now open to Republican amendments. One to be offered would extend the tax credit for first time homebuyers, which is set to expire next month.

## **HEALTHCARE SYSTEM WASTES UP TO \$800 BILLION A YEAR**

**VO :27**

The U.S. healthcare system is just as wasteful as President Barack Obama says it is, and proposed reforms could be paid for by fixing some of the most obvious inefficiencies, preventing mistakes and fighting fraud, according to a Thomson Reuters report released. The U.S. healthcare system wastes between \$505 billion and \$850 billion every year, the report from Robert Kelley, vice president of healthcare analytics at Thomson Reuters, found.

### **OKLAHOMA SWINE FLU LONG LINES**

**VO :23**

Long lines in Oklahoma City Saturday, showed many believed the best defense against the flu is a good offense. Thousands packed two metro high schools to get free H1N1 shots. Grant High School's freshman Michaela Bailey was first in line at five in the morning. Not everyone seemed to be a huge fan of getting a shot but after it's all said and done. The Oklahoma City County Health Department officials say they vaccinated over 35-hundred people at both the U. S. Grant and Southeast High flu shot clinics.

### **COLORADO DRIVE-THRU FLU CLINIC**

**VO :22**

Thousands of people waited in line in denver to receive the h-1-n-1 vaccine. The vaccination against influenza h1n1 was more comfortable as patients drive through shots so people come through with their car roll their sleeve up. This method is much more easy for the medical personnel and the patients do not take more than five minutes. In a matter of hours the four lots sections off for flu shots were reduced to two, after massively applying the dose to thousands of residents.

### **"NO ENGLISH TICKETS"**

**SANDRA SILVESTRUCCI / DALLAS, TEXAS**

**PKG 1:56**

The woman who exposed a Dallas police practice of issuing tickets for failing to speak English is now speaking out for herself. Dallas police Chief David Kunkle apologized Friday for the ticket that was issued to Ernestina Mondragon. Kunkle admitted that 38 similar tickets had been issued in the past three years. Now, Mondragon and Hispanic leaders are demanding change.

### **INTERVIEW H1N1**

**DR. JUAN TAPIA / NEW YORK**

**5:00MIN. APPROX**

Dr. Tapia asnwers questions from viewers about H1N1 swine flu.

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## **US IMMIGRATION WORKERS**

**VO :26**

Workplace immigration raids during the Bush administration interfered with ongoing labor investigations and allowed employers to exploit workers who complained about conditions on the job, labor groups said in a report released. The stepped-up immigration enforcement came at the expense of rigorous enforcement of labor protections that are guaranteed to all workers regardless of immigration status, the groups said.

## **RECESSION OVER**

**VO :22**

Economic numbers coming out in the next week or so are expected to make it technically official the recession is over, but not the pain. This week, the government will be releasing figures expected to show the Gross Domestic Product growing at an annual rate of around 3 percent. But next week, the government issues another set of numbers expected to show unemployment rising toward and possibly passing a clearly recessionary 10 percent. Such seemingly contradictory assertions raise questions about economic scorekeeping. For his part, economist James K. Galbraith says any real return to prosperity could be years away, when unemployment gets back around 4 percent.

## **SLOWER DEVELOPMENT ON HISPANIC CHILDREN**

**VO :20**

A study reveals that the slow understanding of language and reasoning is higher on hispanic children of two or three years old, in comparison with the white minors of the same age. The experts attribute this slow development to low levels of maternal education, lack of educative practice at home and to the numerous things that a family can be.

## **ADVANCE PAYMENT PLANS FOR UNIVERSITIES MORE EXPENSIVE**

**VO :32**

Advance payment plans for state universities increased price this year in florida, up to four times in some cases. The advance payment plan been pleased plan to cover in its totality the matriculation that receives the universities, raised of " four thousands 600" dollars for new born the last year, to near " veinte" thousand dollars this year. and that besides the basic quota of the state universities, that also is going to increase. the increases must that the legislature him this retiring the state endorsement to the universities.

## **POLICE HEADS PRO THE REFORMATION IMMIGRATION**

**VO :25**

More than 50 heads and police bailiffs of great cities and small towns has been united to civil and communitarian the coalition of organization that promote the migratory reformation. They have added organizations of black and latin police that conform the call "Initiative of participation of agencies of" law. Many of these

agents reject the controversial programs well-known like 287g, that allows the local police to exert migratory functions like arrests of undocumented people.

## **CAMPAIGN TARGETS MORTGAGE MODIFICATION SCAMS**

**VO :26**

A national housing nonprofit has launched an education campaign in Southern California to combat scams targeting homeowners in peril of foreclosure. Loan modification fraud is on the rise, costing troubled homeowners thousands of dollars up front for mediation and counseling services that are provided free by federally approved nonprofits.

## **AIRLINES CHARGE**

**VO :19**

Some airlines charge \$25 just to check a bag. Southwest just started a sale where \$25 will get you from point A to Point B on certain routes. Dallas-based Southwest today announced one-way travel as low as \$25, for travel up to 375 miles. The price is \$50 for travel between 375 and 549 miles, and \$75 for flights between 550 and 999 miles.

## **STUDENTS E-COLI**

**VO :19**

Massachusetts health officials say a meat company is voluntarily recalling beef products after more than 20 school children and adults from Rhode Island were sickened by E. coli. Department of Public Health spokeswoman Jennifer Manley said that South Shore Meat Company of Brockton is recalling ground beef and other products after tests showed the presence of E. coli in leftover samples.

Those sickened include two sixth-graders, who were hospitalized after consuming contaminated meat during a field trip earlier this month.

Massachusetts officials say tests showed the ground beef collected at the camp is the same strain of E. coli confirmed in two of the children. E. coli can cause serious illness in young children, the elderly or those with compromised immune systems.

## **DODD CALLS FOR INTERIM FREEZE ON CREDIT CARD FEES AND RATES**

**VO :29**

Senator Christopher J. Dodd, Democrat of Connecticut, on Monday proposed freezing interest rates and fees on existing credit balances until a new law took effect. Senator Dodd, the chairman of the Senate Banking Committee, said his bill was necessary because banks were raising rates "to squeeze customers" before the remaining provisions of law took effect in February. The new credit card law, which was passed in May, seeks to stop banks from arbitrarily raising interest rates. Last week, the House Financial Services Committee passed legislation to move up the effective date for the credit card law, which will restrict interest rate increases and hidden fees, from Feb. 22 to Dec. 1. The measure is opposed by the banking industry, which says it will be difficult if not impossible to meet the expedited deadline.

**NEW JOBS****BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK****PKG 1:58**

An economic survey provides fresh evidence that a fitful recovery is underway as customer demand grows in the third quarter for the first time in more than a year and the jobs outlook brightens a bit. For the first time since the recession began, the portion of companies planning to add employees in the next six months outnumbered those expecting to cut jobs, according to this month's quarterly survey of economists at 78 firms by the National Association for Business Economics.

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**10/28/09****CUBA-US EMBARGO****VO: 25**

As the United Nations General Assembly prepares to vote on a resolution presented by Cuba to end economic sanctions against the island, life in the communist country continues to show the signs of the 47-year-old embargo imposed by the United States on its regime. The UN General Assembly vote will take place in New York on Wednesday, on whether to end the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the US against Cuba. Over the past 17 years, the UN has voted overwhelmingly to repeal the unilateral sanctions, with the United States and a few allies voting in opposition or abstaining. The full trade embargo took effect on February 7, 1962, under US President John F. Kennedy, blocking all trade with Cuba except for non-subsidised sale of food and medicine. Its aim was to financially strangle Fidel Castro's government and force a change in the communist-run island's system. Though Washington's 47-year-old trade embargo keeps American tourists out of Cuba, sales of US food products to the island are allowed.

**UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS****VO: 19**

Legislation to extend unemployment benefits for out-of-work Americans has cleared a procedural hurdle in the Senate. Senate Democrats, saying that 7,000 people a day are exhausting their benefits, called on their colleagues to move quickly to a final vote. Republicans insisted they get a chance to offer amendments.

**HOME PRICES****LUIS MEGID - SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:33**

Home prices rose for the third straight month in August, a key ingredient for a broad and sustained housing recovery. The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller home price index of 20 major cities climbed 1 percent from July to a seasonally adjusted reading of 144.5. While prices are down 11.4 percent from August a year ago, the annual declines have slowed since February.

### **SF BOARD CHANGES TACK ON IMMIGRANT MINORS**

**VO: 17**

The Board of Supervisors gave final approval Tuesday to a measure that would keep law enforcement from turning over minors to immigration authorities unless they have been found guilty of a felony. The move pits the panel against Mayor Gavin Newsom and law enforcement by reversing his policy of turning over youths to Immigration and Customs Enforcement after their arrest. Newsom took the stance in 2008 after the city was accused of protecting young offenders such as Edwin Ramos from deportation. Ramos, an undocumented immigrant from El Salvador, was charged with felonies as a minor, but the sanctuary policy allowed the suspected gang member to stay in the U.S.

### **OBAMA TO SIGN DEFENSE BILL, HATE CRIME LEGISLATION**

**VO: 22**

President Barack Obama is signing a big defense spending bill today that includes a hefty pay raise for the troops. The military pay increase of 3.4 percent exceeds inflation and is a half-percent more than even the president asked for. Lawmakers had their way on a number of spending items, though Obama did prevail in his fight to end production on the Cold War-era F-22 fighter.

### **GMAC ANOTHER BAILOUT**

**VO: 24**

A Treasury Department spokesman confirms GMAC Financial Services is in talks with the Treasury Department for a third injection of taxpayer aid. The auto lender faces a November deadline to raise an \$11.5 billion cushion mandated by results of the government's "stress test" earlier this year.

### **PSYCHIATRIC DRUGS-KIDS**

**VO: 18**

A worrisome effect is emerging for children on widely used psychiatric drugs -- major weight gain and obesity. A new study says many kids pack on nearly 20 pounds and become obese within just 11 weeks of taking such drugs. Dr. Christopher Varley, a psychiatrist with Seattle Children's Hospital, says occasionally, "you can actually see them grow between appointments." He says the study results are "sobering."

### **INSULIN SYRINGE RECALL**

**VO: 20**

An Alabama company is recalling about 250 million Accusure insulin syringes it has distributed nationwide since January 2002. Huntsville-based Qualitest Pharmaceuticals says it's received about four complaints related to the needle detaching from the syringe, but no reports of injuries.

**H1N1 LATEST**  
**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ - NEW YORK**  
**PKG 2:09**

One scenario by the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology forecasts that if 30% of the U.S. population contracts H1N1 flu, 90 million could get sick, 1.8 million would be hospitalized and 30,000 or more would die. The Trust for America's Health, a non-profit public-health advocacy group, reported in early October that if the infection rate hits 35%, many states may run out of hospital beds, forcing hospitals to begin canceling elective procedures. So far, hospitals have been taxed - but not to that degree.

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**HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL**  
**VO: 30**

After months of contentious negotiating, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi prepared to unveil a retooled health care overhaul plan intended to bridge differences among Democrats and open a history-making floor debate on extending health insurance to nearly all Americans.

**IMMIGRATION ID CARDS**  
**VO: 26**

Ten New Haven residents filed a lawsuit Wednesday accusing federal agents of violating their rights during an immigration raid they say was in retaliation for a city program that provided ID cards to foreigners in the country illegally -- the first of its kind in the nation. The sweeps in New Haven on June 6, 2007, came two days after the city approved issuing identification cards to all of its residents, regardless of immigration status. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials have denied that the early morning raids were retaliatory, saying planning began the year before.

**OBAMA STIMULUS JOBS**  
**VO: 25**

A review of jobs created or saved by President Barack Obama's economic recovery plan shows some of the numbers are overstated.

The administration says recovery money has helped pay for more than 30,000 jobs. But The Associated Press found that a company in Colorado that said it created more than 4,300 had actually produced fewer than 1,000. A firm in Ohio that reported 54 jobs created only

six.

## **SWINE FLU VACCINE/ US TO GET 30MLN DOSES**

**VO:20**

Swiss drug-maker Novartis AG says it will deliver about 30 million doses of swine flu vaccine to the United States by the end of November.

The company says in a statement Thursday that it already has shipped more than 7.5 million doses of pandemic vaccine to America

and is on target with commitments made to the U.S. Novartis and other major swine flu vaccine producers have been hit by production delays.

## **HEALTH DEPARTMENT WARNS OF SWINE FLU PARTIES**

**VO:28**

The Centers for Disease Control warns on its website about the new trend. Officials said some people are intentionally coming in contact with an infected person, in the hopes of getting a mild form of the virus. The thought is they will develop an immunity that could protect them if the strain becomes more severe. They said these parties are not a good idea. "There is no way to predict what the outcome will be for an individual or, equally important, for others to whom the intentionally infected person may spread the virus," the website states.

## **DIABETES CAN BE DELAYED WITH DIET, EXERCISE (FILE)**

**VO:24**

People on the brink of developing diabetes who get a lot of support and encouragement to diet and exercise can turn things around and avoid the disease, U.S. researchers said on Wednesday. "Millions of people could delay diabetes for years and possibly prevent the disease altogether if they lost a modest amount of weight through diet and increased physical activity," said Dr. Griffin Rodgers, director of the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Disease.

## **SEX, ALCOHOL, FAT AMONG WORLD'S BIG KILLERS: WHO**

**VO: 24**

Tackling just five health factors could prevent millions of premature deaths and increase global life expectancy by almost 5 years, the United Nations World Health Organization (WHO) said Tuesday. Poor childhood nutrition, unsafe sex, alcohol, bad sanitation and hygiene, and high blood pressure are to blame for around a quarter of the 60 million premature deaths around the world each year, the WHO said in a report.

## **NO LINK SEEN BETWEEN COFFEE AND HEART FAILURE (file)**

**VO:23**

Contrary to findings from an earlier study, new research suggests that coffee lovers do not face an increased risk of heart failure. Researchers found that among more than 37,000 middle-aged and older Swedish men, those who

regularly drank coffee were no more likely to develop heart failure than those who infrequently, if ever, drank the beverage.

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**10/30/09**

**OBAMA PREVIEW - RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS BILL**

**VO :19**

President Barack Obama is set to sign an extension of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS bill. The legislation currently provides care, treatment and support services to nearly half a million people, most of whom are low-income. Later Friday, the president meets in the White House Situation Room with the Joint Chiefs of Staff to discuss Afghanistan and Pakistan. Vice President Joe Biden is expected to attend, along with all the major players except Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, who's on a foreign trip.

**HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL**

**LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC**

**VO :28 & PKG 2:04**

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi will unveil a health-care reform bill on Thursday that includes a government insurance option and a historic expansion of Medicaid, although sticking points in the legislation involving abortion and immigration remain unresolved. Senior Democratic House aides said the bill would likely include a version of the "public option" preferred by moderates and may raise Medicaid eligibility levels to 150 percent of the federal poverty level for all adults, a steeper increase than in earlier drafts.

**CENSUS COLLEGE STUDENTS**

**VO :28**

Some are there because of the recession, and others despite it. Regardless, more young Americans than ever are in college especially community college, according to a new report. A record high of about 11.5 million Americans age 18 to 24, or nearly 40 percent, attended college in October 2008, according to a study of Census data released Thursday by the Pew Research Center. Virtually all the increase of 300,000 students over the previous year came at two-year schools, while attendance at four-year schools remained flat.

**CDC VACCINE ADVISORY**

**VO :26**

CDC offers an update ON how the process of distribution of vaccines against the influenza h1 n1 goes. 16 thousand nurses of three chains of catholic hospitals of California and Nevada, today realise a day of labor unemployment and protests, by the lack of preparation of many medical centers to confront the pandemic of influenza h1 n1.

## **OVERDRAFT CHARGES HEARING**

**VO :15**

A bipartisan legislative effort to reform credit card interchange fees and consumer credit card concerns (overdraft fees, interest rate hikes, curtailed lines of credit) is making headway in Congress, Politico.com reports. The tug-of-war is in response to the credit card rules that President Obama signed into law in May, and House Democrats are more determined than ever to accelerate their implementation date, according to the Capitol Hill news source.

## **ECONOMY GROWS LATEST**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:03**

Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said he sees positive signs that the economy is recovering, although the recession remains "alive and acute" for families dealing with unemployment and facing home forceclosure. In testimony before the House Financial Services Committee, Geithner said that Americans were saving much more and borrowing less from the rest of the world. The economy grew at an annual rate of 3.5 percent in the third quarter of this year, the strongest rate of growth seen in two years.

## **H1N1: 6 MILLION CASES**

**VO :25**

Health officials think that as many as 5.7 million Americans were infected with swine flu during the first few months of the pandemic. Scientists at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that between 1.8 million and 5.7 million Americans were infected from April through July. The estimate is the CDC's most specific calculation to date. Officials had simply been saying millions have been infected. The estimate is in an article in a CDC publication called Emerging Infectious Diseases.

## **STATIN DRUGS MAY LOWER DEATHS FROM FLU**

**VO :22**

Patients taking statin drugs were almost 50 percent less likely to die from flu, researchers reported on Thursday in a study providing more evidence the cholesterol-lowering drugs help the body cope with infection. The findings are compelling enough to justify doing controlled studies in which some patients are given the drugs deliberately and some are not, said Meredith Vandermeer of the Oregon Public Health Division, who helped lead the study.

## **WHEN MOMS GET FLU SHOT, BABIES BENEFIT TOO**

**VO :17**

When pregnant women get vaccinated against flu, their babies are bigger, healthier and less likely to be premature, researchers reported on Thursday. The studies show that influenza vaccines protect not only women, who are extremely vulnerable to flu when pregnant, but also their babies before and after birth, the researchers said. When moms get flu shot, babies benefit too.

## **CANCER ICE CREAM**

**VO :17**

Scientists of New Zealand are developing an ice cream that is so good for the health that could prescribe by the doctor. The frozen delight, called "recharge", use active ingredients of milky products to alleviate diarrhoea, anemia and the lack of appetite in people with cancer who are put under chemotherapy.

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### **US ECONOMY**

**VO: 19**

The U.S. economy will be growing again by year end, but tight credit conditions for consumers and businesses will hamper the recovery, the International Monetary fund said as it raised its forecast for growth next year to 1.5 percent from 0.8 percent. The IMF also issued a warning about U.S. government finances, saying government debt "could become unsustainable" unless measures are taken to restrain deficits, and that President Obama and Congress should make sure health-care reform does not make deficits worse.

### **TX H1N1 DEATH**

**VO: 20**

Doctors say it could be a long time before we know if an East Texas child's death was caused by the H1N1 virus. But, they're certainly leaning in that direction. 9-year-old Montrell Harris died Tuesday at a Dallas hospital, after testing positive for flu. Harris, who was a student at Jack Elementary in Tyler, also suffered from severe respiratory conditions.

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### **FLU VACCINE**

**VO: 29**

The largest U.S. supplier of seasonal flu vaccines says it's running behind on shipping vaccine for the regular, seasonal flu partly because of the crunch to produce millions of doses of the swine flu vaccine. The pharmaceutical company Sanofi Pasteur says it has shipped more than half of the 50 million doses of seasonal flu vaccine order by U.S. health care providers. But the French company has sent notices to customers indicating that additional doses may be delayed. Company spokeswoman Donna Cary says it could be November before some customers get the rest of their orders.

### **US ECONOMY JOBLESS RATES**

**VO: 26**

The unemployment rate rose to 9.8 percent in September as employers cut more jobs than expected, evidence that the longest recession since the 1930s is still inflicting widespread pain. The Labor Department says the nation's economy lost a net total of 263,000 jobs last month, up from a downwardly revised total of 201,000 in August.

### **CENSUS CAMPAIGN**

**LOURDES MELUZA - WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:03**

U.S. Census Bureau Director Robert Groves joined prominent Latino groups, labor and faith leaders and leading national Spanish-language media partners today to outline a historic campaign to ensure a full and accurate 2010 Census count of the estimated 50 million Latinos living in the United States. Members of the coalition - called the Ya es Hora !HAGASE CONTAR! (It's Time, Make Yourself Count!) campaign - previewed a series of public service announcement that will begin airing today on major Spanish language media.

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### **OBAMA HEALTHCARE**

**VO: 24**

President Barack Obama is rallying doctors at the White House today as his bid for a health care overhaul enters a key phase. The president is convinced doctors are the best advocates for reform, since they're direct witness to how broken and cruel the current system is. An aide says doctors know best that inaction is not an option. And Obama is hoping for key action this week, approval by the Senate Finance Committee of its overhaul bill.

**SUPREME COURT NEW TERM****VO: 19**

The Supreme Court begins a new term Monday and new on the court is its first Hispanic woman Justice, Sonia Sotomayor. One thing court watchers will be looking for is whether her effervescent personality affects the court, and how. Two of the high-profile cases that probably will dominate the term include a challenge to limits on corporate spending in political campaigns and a lawsuit seeking to strike down local handgun bans in the Chicago area.

**MELTDOWN BANKS****VO: 27**

A new report contends the credibility of the government's \$700 billion financial rescue program was damaged by claims a year ago that all of the initial banks receiving support were healthy. Special Inspector General Neil Barofsky generally finds the government acted properly in October 2008 as it scrambled to implement the Troubled Asset Relief Program to avert the collapse of the U.S. financial system.

**GOOD JOBS UNFILLED****VO: 24**

With about 15 million people looking for work, why are so many good jobs going unfilled? Economists say it's due to a mismatch between available work and people qualified to do it. So, even as the unemployment rate nears 10 percent, some employers can't find qualified people for good-paying career jobs. Analysts say it's become especially hard to find accountants, health care workers, software sales representatives, physical therapists and electrical engineers.

**MELTDOWN NURSING HOME CUTS****VO: 36**

The nation's nursing homes are perilously close to laying off workers, cutting services -- possibly even closing -- because of a perfect storm wallop from the recession and deep federal and state government spending cuts. Industry experts say a new Medicare rate adjustment will cut about \$16 billion from nursing homes over the next 10 years. That comes atop state-level cuts that already had the nation's 16,000 nursing homes reeling. Congress may also slash billions more in Medicare funds in the name of health care reform.

**PREMATURE BIRTH****VO: 20**

A March of Dimes official calls it the "13 million baby question." Epidemiologist Christopher Howson is talking about how to tackle the growing problem of premature births around the world. While the proportion of all babies born too early is highest in Africa, it's followed closely by North America, where wealthy nations such as the United States have sophisticated neonatal intensive care units.

**FLU VACCINES USA****VO: 24**

Healthcare workers in Indiana and Tennessee will be among the first to get swine flu vaccines in the United States Monday, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said. Vaccination clinics are scheduled for Monday morning for staff at Le Bonheur Children's Medical Center in Memphis, Tennessee and Wishard Health Services in Indianapolis, the CDC said.

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**IMMIGRATION DETENTION REFORMS**

**VO: 22**

Former hotels, nursing homes and other sites could be used to hold immigrants who are not criminals or violent. According to documents obtained by The Associated Press, it's part of a larger plan to reform immigration detention proposed by the homeland security secretary.

**HEATING COSTS**

**VO: 26**

People who heat with natural gas may have a little extra money to burn this winter. The government says the winter heating bill should be about \$105 less than it was last winter. Households that use fuel oil, electric heat or propane will also be paying less than last year. It's partly because of lower fuel costs, and partly because of an expected milder winter.

**HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL**

**VO: 16**

The last congressional panel working on health care reform will have to wait a little longer before it's done. The Senate Finance Committee was supposed to meet today to vote on the \$900 billion overhaul package that it debated for two weeks. But it's still waiting for a final cost analysis from the Congressional Budget Office so the expectation now is that vote will take place tomorrow.

**VACCINES FOR H1N1**

**VO: 20**

The World Health Organization (WHO) restated its confidence in the H1N1 flu vaccine on Tuesday, calling it the most important tool against the pandemic. Mild adverse side effects such as muscle cramps or headache are to be expected in some cases, but everyone who has access to the vaccine should be inoculated, it said.

**OBAMA AFGHANISTAN**

**VO: 36**

President Barack Obama keeps his attention on global terror and security matters on Tuesday, as he continues a series of meetings with advisers and others on Afghanistan. In the morning, he'll visit the National Counterterrorism Center in Washington and meet with top officials there. He'll also address NCTC staff members.

**RETAIL SALES OUTLOOK**

**VO: 22**

The usually bullish National Retail Federation isn't painting a rosy picture about holiday sales. The NRF predicts a 1 percent decline in total sales for November and December combined. The NRF is less optimistic this year than several other groups offering holiday sales forecasts. Consumers had already cut back during the fall back-to-school season.

**VACCINE RAISES HOPE FOR COCAINE ADDICTED**

**VO: 18**

A vaccine helped block the high felt by cocaine users in 38 percent of people who took it, U.S. researchers said on Monday, offering promise of a new approach to treating those addicted to the drug. The aim is to prevent cocaine's rewarding effects -- the high -- in order to reduce cravings that trigger drug relapses.

**CALORIES ON MENU**

**VO: 24**

A new study finds New York City's law requiring restaurant chains to post calories on menus doesn't change the eating habits of low-income people. The study tracked customers at

McDonald's, Wendy's, Burger King and Kentucky Fried Chicken in poor New York City neighborhoods with high obesity rates.

#### **U.S. SCHOOLS DO A LITTLE BETTER TRIMMING JUNK FOOD**

**VO: 26**

U.S. schools are doing a little better to limit the amount of junk food students can buy in vending machines or elsewhere, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said on Monday. The CDC's survey of middle- and high-school principals in 40 U.S. states found that the number of schools limiting carbonated soft drinks was a median of 63 percent in 2008. That compared to 38 percent in 2006.

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#### **OBAMA POLL**

**VO: 27**

Most people still think the country is headed in the wrong direction but a new poll says there are more optimists than before and President Barack Obama's numbers are also on the upswing. An Associated Press-GfK poll says 56 percent of those surveyed in the past week approve of Obama's job performance, up from 50 percent in September. It's the first time since he took office in January that his rating has gone up. And those who disapprove of Obama are down to 39 percent, down from 49 percent last month.

#### **ARPAIO AGREEMENT**

**CRISTINA PUIG. SATELLITE ROOM**

**PKG 1:56 & VO: 24**

An Arizona sheriff known for aggressively cracking down on illegal immigration has been stripped of some of his special power to enforce federal immigration law, and he claims the Obama administration is taking away his authority for political reasons. Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio, whose office faces racial profiling allegations over crime and immigration sweeps in some heavily Latino areas of metro Phoenix, said officials from Washington won't let him renew a deal that let his deputies make federal immigration arrests.

#### **DETENTION CENTER**

**LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:12**

The United States, criticized for holding illegal immigrants in overcrowded and poorly run jails, Tuesday announced plans to convert hotels to detain some noncriminal immigrants. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano said illegal immigrants ranging from criminals to newly arrived asylum seekers would be held in different facilities according to the risk they pose. Referring to noncriminals such as newly arrived asylum seekers, Napolitano said, "We will begin efforts to house these populations near immigration service providers and pursue different options like converted hotels or residential facilities for their detention."

#### **HEALTH CARE REFORM**

**VO: 27**

The Senate Finance Committee could receive some numbers it has been waiting for today. The Congressional Budget Office could let committee Chairman Max Baucus know how much the health care reform package that his committee hammered out will cost. Numerous changes will likely bring the cost to around \$900 billion over ten years. Congressional tax experts say the proposed legislation would require health care industries to pay \$121 billion in taxes over ten years -- about \$29 billion more than originally thought. Finance Committee Republicans have been arguing the measure contains too many new taxes.

#### **POLL HEALTH CARE**

**VO: 27**

A new poll suggests public opinion on health care legislation is now an even split and a solid gain for Democrats after September results showed 49 percent opposed. The latest Associated Press-GfK poll has found that the opposition to Obama's health care remake dropped dramatically in just a matter of weeks. Still, Americans remain divided over the complex legislation. The poll finds the public is now split 40-40. In September, only 34 percent of those polled supported the effort. Anger about health care boiled over during August town hall meetings.

**AIRLINES SURCHARGE****VO: 22**

Flying around the holidays is already more expensive and could get more so. Several big airlines have added \$10 surcharges for busy days around the holidays. Last month airlines added a \$10 each-way surcharge for Nov. 29 (the Sunday after Thanksgiving) and Jan. 2 and 3. Now, FareCompare.com CEO Rick Seaney notes that the same airlines have added 10 more days: Nov. 30; Dec. 19, 26, and 27; March 14, 20, 21, 28; April 11; and May 28. He said the surcharges have been added by Delta Air Lines and Northwest, American Airlines, United Airlines, Continental Airlines and US Airways. Seaney said discounters such as Southwest and JetBlue appear to be avoiding the surcharges.

**AGE DISCRIMINATION****VO :24**

Democrats want to counter a recent Supreme Court ruling that makes it harder for older workers to prove they are the victims of age discrimination. The Senate Judiciary Committee is hearing testimony Wednesday on a bill that would effectively nullify a high court decision that changed the interpretation of age bias laws. The high court said it is not enough for employees to show age is a motivating factor in a demotion or layoff. Rather, workers must prove it is the deciding factor.

**FLU/VACCINE-SEBELIUS****VO :24**

U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius Wednesday sought to dispel fears about the H1N1 swine flu vaccine, declaring it safe and urging parents to take precautions against the pandemic. Sebelius was seeking to ease worries about the vaccine to target the new strain of influenza that is spreading around the world and she urged the public to visit flu.gov for more information. Sebelius said it was important to protect the more vulnerable population such as children and pregnant women from the H1N1 flu.

**WEIGHT A FACTOR IN HOSPITAL ADMISSION****VO: 16**

Overweight or underweight children who are seen in the emergency department are more likely to be admitted to the hospital, and to stay longer, than normal-weight youngsters, according to a study reported Monday at the American College of Emergency Physicians' annual meeting in Boston. "The bottom line is, like anything else, being in the middle (weight) range is best," Dr. Adam Singer from the State University of New York at Stony Brook told Reuters Health.KIDS.

**GAY MARIAGE****VO: 29**

Even opponents say a gay marriage bill introduced in the nation's capital today seems nearly certain to pass. But the question is: if the measure passes the District of Columbia city council, will it still become law in the District of Columbia? That's because Congress gets to review all D.C. legislation before it takes effect. But, in July, D.C. began recognizing same-sex marriages performed elsewhere. Congress had its chance to act on that legislation, but didn't. If the new bill becomes law, D.C. will follow Massachusetts, Connecticut, Iowa and Vermont in issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples. New Hampshire starts issuing them in January.

**DETENTION CENTER**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:52**

The story talk about the things that many immigrants have gone trough in detentions center. In many cases not having medical treatment, legal advice and living in precarious conditions. Includes reactions from immigrants advocates or/and families of detainees.

**BREAST CANCER****VO: 21**

Women who never got mammograms are far more likely to die of breast cancer than women who are regularly screened, U.S. researchers reported Tuesday. They said 75 percent of the women they studied who died of breast cancer had never had a mammogram, or were diagnosed after their very first mammogram. Only 25 percent of the women they studied who died of breast cancer had received more than one mammogram.

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**10/08/09****BUDGET DEFICIT****VO: 30**

Congressional analysts say the federal budget deficit tripled to a record \$1.4 trillion for the 2009 fiscal year that ended last week. The unprecedeted flood of red ink flows from several factors, including a big drop in tax revenues due to the recession, \$245 billion in emergency spending on the Wall Street bailout and the takeover of mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Then there is almost \$200 billion in costs from President Barack Obama's economic stimulus bill. The previous record deficit was \$459 billion and was set just last year. Obama has attributed the nation's dismal fiscal situation to the financial and economic crises he inherited.

**SENATE HEALTH BILL \$829 BILLION****VO: 21**

Health care legislation drafted by a key Senate committee would expand coverage to 94 percent of all eligible Americans at a 10-year cost of \$829 billion, congressional budget experts said Wednesday, a preliminary estimate trumpeted by the White House and likely to power the measure past a major hurdle within days. The Congressional Budget Office added that the legislation would reduce federal deficits by \$81 billion over a decade and probably lead to "continued reductions in federal" red ink in the years beyond.

**IMMIGRATION NO MATCH****VO: 21**

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) today formally issued a final rule rescinding the Social Security "no match" rule. The "no match" rule, which was never implemented, would have forced employers to fire workers based on discrepancies in their Social Security records. DHS first announced its plan to rescind the rule in July, and with today's publication of a final rule in the Federal Register, the rescission will go into effect in 30 days.

**US RETAIL SALES****VO: 26**

The number of new claims for jobless benefits falls to the lowest level since early January, as employers cut fewer workers. The Labor Department says first-time claims for unemployment insurance dropped last week to a seasonally adjusted 521,000, from the previous week's upwardly revised total of 554,000. That's better than the 540,000 that Wall Street economists expected, according to a survey by Thomson Reuters. The drop is the fourth in five weeks. The four-week average, which smoothes fluctuations, fell to 539,750, the lowest since Jan. 17. The number of people continuing to claim benefits declined by 72,000 to 6.04 million. Analysts expected continuing claims to rise slightly.

**YOUTH VIOLENCE EPIDEMIC**  
**LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**  
**PKG 1:48**

US Attorney General Eric Holder and Education Secretary Arne Duncan made a trip to Chicago to meet with city leaders to discuss youth violence in the wake of the beating death of 16-year-old Derrion Albert. Holder says youth violence is an American problem and not just a Chicago problem. He says the nation was shocked at the violence on the video that captured Albert's fatal beating.

**SICK DAY H1N1**

**VO: 26**

With a vaccine for the H1N1 virus still some time away, the lack of paid sick leave for almost half of all working Americans in the private sector is a potential public health crisis. Not only are these working adults likely to show up at work with potential infectious symptoms - or fear losing their job - they are likely to send sick kids to school for the same reason. Nationwide, the same trend holds: The proportions of workers without paid leave are higher in lower-wage industries, including food service, nursing care, and retail workers.

**CANCER MICROCHIP**

**VO: 22**

A Review of the Literature 1990-2006," is a definitive review of research showing a causal link between implanted radio-frequency (RFID) microchip transponders and cancer in laboratory rodents and dogs. It was written in part to correct industry misstatements and misinformation circulating about the studies. The report evaluates eleven articles previously published in toxicology and pathology journals. In six of the articles, between 0.8% and 10.2% of laboratory mice and rats developed malignant tumors around or adjacent to the microchips. Two additional articles reported microchip-related cancer in dogs. See Original Research Articles section below for details.

**ANTIBIOTICS IN THE ER: IT'S OFTEN ONE-SIZE-FITS ALL**

**VO: 26**

Doctors who work in hospital emergency rooms rarely adjust antibiotic doses for obese patients, who can lead to inadequate treatment and fuel antibiotic resistance, according to research reported Tuesday at the American College of Emergency Physicians annual meeting in Boston. "For certain antibiotics, people who are larger require a larger dose to get and maintain the proper concentration that will reliably kill the bacteria we're trying to get at," study co-researcher

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**FORECLOSURE AID**

**VO: 32**

A government watchdog says the Obama administration's effort to help homeowners avoid foreclosure may not achieve its goal of helping up to 4 million borrowers and may not be enough to dampen the impact of the foreclosure crisis on the economy.

**HEALTHCARE TARGET WOMEN**

**VO: 26**

The White House and top Democrats, intensifying their push to build support for their party's health overhaul proposals, are increasingly targeting women, a politically crucial group with strong opinions on health care that polls suggest has yet to be sold on the changes.

**GIVING GARDASIL TO BOYS NOT COST EFFECTIVE**

**VO: 17**

Vaccinating boys against the virus that causes cervical cancer and genital warts does not appear to be cost-effective, U.S. researchers said on Thursday. Assuming all girls get the shot, adding boys to a national vaccination program may not be worth the expense, they said.

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**HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL**

**VO: 24**

After working for months behind the scenes to help shape health care reform, the insurance industry is now sharply attacking the emerging plan with a report that maintains Senate legislation would increase the cost of a typical policy by hundreds, or even thousands, of dollars a year.

**CALIFORNIA WATER**

**VO: 25**

California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and legislative leaders plan a seventh straight day of water negotiations today and the Legislature has been called into special session. Talks on how to address the state's deteriorating and inadequate water system ended late yesterday after nearly 12 hours, though leaders said they moved closer to a deal.

**SWINE FLU LATEST**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ - NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:12**

A top U.S. health official says the risks from not getting the swine flu vaccine are greater than any potential risks associated with the vaccine. Dr. Anne Schuchat of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says she's surprised by all the misinformation going around about the new vaccine. She says a good safety record from past vaccines bodes well for the swine flu vaccine now becoming available.

**SUMMERS ON ECONOMY**

**VO: 29**

U.S. President Barack Obama's top economic adviser said Monday the United States is on the path toward economic recovery, conditions in financial markets are steadier and there have been initial signs of stabilization in the housing market.

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**HEALTHCARE REFORM LATEST**

**LOURDES DEL RIO - MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG 2:00**

The health insurance industry is striking back against the Senate's current plan for health care reform claiming that the plan will not only fail to reduce costs but will actually increase the cost of coverage for the privately-insured by thousands of dollars a year. Over the weekend America's Health Insurance Plans, an industry trade group, released to its members a ice water house Coopers analysis which projected that the current Senate legislation would cause premiums for families to increase by \$4000 by the year 2019

**IMMIGRATION REFORM BILL PREVIEW**

**JAIME GARCIA - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:02**

Hispanic lawmakers in the House are writing an immigration reform bill that will outline the minority community's position before the debate begins in Congress. The House and Senate are not expected to take up comprehensive immigration reform until next year, but those involved in

writing the bill say the legislation being prepared by Rep. Luis Gutierrez, D-Ill., will lay down a marker on what is expected. Members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus are behind the effort to lay a legislative blueprint.

### **STIMULUS JOBS**

**VO: 32**

State officials say President Barack Obama's \$787 billion stimulus plan has spared tens of thousands of teachers from losing their jobs. The national data won't be available until later this month. But based on preliminary information obtained by The Associated Press from a handful of states, teachers appear to have benefited most from early spending. That's because the stimulus sent billions of dollars to help stabilize state budgets, sparing what officials say would have teacher layoffs.

### **CHICAGO FARE INCREASES**

**VO: 29**

The Chicago Transit Authority is recommending fare increases that would see commuters who rely on the nation's second-largest transit system paying more than almost anywhere else in the U.S. The 2010 budget proposal made Monday would have the basic subway fare go up 33 percent, from \$2.25 to \$3.00. Simultaneously, the agency would reduce subway service by 9 percent and bus service by 18 percent.

### **HOSPITAL RADIATION OVERDOSES**

**VO: 20**

Hospital officials say a computer-resetting error caused radiation overdoses for 206 patients who underwent CT scans at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. In a written statement Monday, hospital officials said "a misunderstanding about an embedded default setting applied by the machine" resulted in a higher than expected amount of radiation. Officials say the 206 patients received eight times the normal dose of radiation -- an error that went undetected for 18 months. A hospital spokesman says about 40 percent of the patients lost patches of hair as a result.

### **INSURANCE FAT BABIES**

**VO: 21**

A Colorado insurance company is changing its attitude about fat babies. Rocky Mountain Health Plans said Monday it will no longer consider obesity a "pre-existing condition" barring coverage for hefty infants.

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### **HEALTHCARE REFORM LATEST**

**VO / SOT :45**

Small neighborhood banks and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce are overshadowing the nation's biggest banks in influencing lawmakers as Congress begins the initial phase of its long-awaited overhaul of how the government regulates financial companies. The House Financial Services Committee on Wednesday is taking up key elements of President Barack Obama's proposal for correcting the practices of banks, investment houses and other financial institutions that caused last year's economic collapse.

### **IMMIGRATION AGING CHILDREN**

**VO: 21**

A federal judge has ruled that adult children who turn 21 while waiting for family-sponsored green cards have to wait anew once they "age out" of their parents' applications. U.S. District Judge James Selna ruled in Los Angeles against a group of immigrants with green cards who sued the federal government, arguing a 2002 law means grown children should be allowed into the country when their parents file new paperwork on

their behalf.

#### **US ECONOMY SURVEY**

**VO: 30**

The worst U.S. recession since the Great Depression has ended, but weak household spending as the labor market struggles to create jobs will slow the pace of the economy's recovery, according to a survey released Monday. The survey of 44 professional forecasters released by the National Association for Business Economics, also known as the NABE, found that 80 percent of the respondents believed the economy was growing again after four straight quarters of declines.

#### **FORD RECALL**

**VO: 23**

Ford issued the largest single recall in its history Tuesday as drivers of an additional 4.5 million vehicles were alerted about a fire hazard from a faulty switch. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said this was the eighth recall, involving a total of 16 million Ford Motor (F, Fortune 500) vehicles, concerning the cruise control deactivation switch manufactured by Texas Instruments (TXN, Fortune 500). The faulty switch can leak hydraulic fluid, overheat, smoke and then burn, and risks causing a fire even when the ignition is turned off, parked and unattended, the NHTSA said.

#### **MANDATORY FLU VACCINATION**

**VO: 19**

Tuesday that the state health commissioner withdraw a new regulation requiring hundreds of thousands of health care workers to get both seasonal and swine flu vaccinations In testimony before several State Assembly committees in Lower Manhattan, Donna Lieberman , executive director of the civil liberties union, said that the requirement violated the constitutional right of health care workers to control their bodies and their medical treatment.

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**10/15/09**

#### **SOCIAL SECURITY COLA: ANNOUNCEMENT**

**VO: 27**

Senior citizens get the bad news officially today from the Social Security Administration: no COLA next year. It will be the first year without a cost of living increase since automatic adjustments were adopted in 1975. The reason is the absence of inflation thanks to the recession. The announcement comes as President Barack Obama and key members of Congress call for a second round of \$250 payments to more than 50 million seniors, veterans, retired railroad workers and people with disabilities. The payments would be equal to about a 2 percent increase for the average Social Security recipient. The cost: \$13 billion.

#### **SWINE FLU VACCINE KIDS DOUBLE DOSES**

**VO: 28**

Test results of its swine flu vaccine suggest that children under 10 are likely to need two shots to be fully protected, vaccine maker Sanofi Pasteur said Wednesday. Federal officials said the news is not surprising, since this age group needs two doses of regular seasonal flu vaccine the very first time they ever are given a flu vaccine for full immunity to develop. The new Sanofi results back up what government tests are showing, said Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. For younger children, the protection from one shot is "modest but not sufficient to allow for one dose to do the trick," he said.

#### **LA SHERIFF DEPORTATIONS**

**JAIME GARCIA - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:12**

The Wake County Sheriff's Department is one of eight local law enforcement agencies in North Carolina and 66 across the nation authorized by the federal government to identify illegal immigrants and process them for possible deportation under a program known as 287(g). Virginia is the only other state with more participating agencies. There are four such agreements in California, including one with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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### **ARPAIO CITES NON-EXISTENT LAW IN CRIME-SWEEP ARGUMENT**

**VO: 23**

Arpaio cited a non-existent federal law and included a legal interpretation taken from an anti-immigration Web site in a document he distributed during a news conference last week. Arpaio used the document to bolster his claim that he can continue to arrest undocumented immigrants during controversial crime sweeps even without a special agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

### **DHS RESHAPES ITS IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM**

**VO: 24**

A controversial federal program that deputizes state and local law enforcement agents to catch illegal immigrants is expanding under the Obama administration, despite changes announced this summer intended to curb alleged racial profiling and other police abuses. The Department of Homeland Security is expected to report Friday morning that a small number of the 66 participating agencies have dropped out because of the new federal requirements, officials said. And those losses are offset by applications from 13 additional police and sheriff's departments, a federal official said, speaking on condition of anonymity before the formal announcement.

### **SMOKING BANS REDUCE HEART ATTACKS: STUDY**

**VO: 25**

Bans on public places really do work at reducing heart attacks from secondhand smoke, a major study finds. Smoke-free policies can reduce the risk of heart attack by up to 47 percent and significantly reduce the likelihood of other heart problems, according to a report released Thursday by the U.S. Institute of Medicine (IOM). The report also found compelling evidence that even a brief exposure to secondhand smoke can trigger a heart attack.

### **FDA WARNS AGAINST BUYING H1N1 TREATMENTS ONLINE**

**VO: 18**

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration today warned consumers to use extreme care when purchasing any products over the Internet that claim to diagnose, prevent, treat or cure the H1N1 influenza virus. The warning comes after the FDA recently purchased and analyzed several products represented online as Tamiflu (oseltamivir), which may pose risks to patients. One of the orders, which arrived in an unmarked envelope with a postmark from India, consisted of unlabeled, white tablets taped between two pieces of paper.

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### **NEW MEDICAL MARIJUANA POLICY ISSUED**

**VO: 30**

The Obama administration will not seek to arrest medical marijuana users and suppliers as long as they closely conform to state laws. The Justice Department is set to issue new policy guidelines on medical marijuana Monday. Two department officials described the new policy to The Associated Press, saying federal prosecutors will be told it is not a good use of their time to arrest people who use or provide medical marijuana in compliance with state laws. The new policy is a significant departure from the Bush administration, which insisted it would continue to enforce federal anti-pot laws regardless of state codes. Fourteen states allow some use of marijuana for medical purposes.

### **BARACK OBAMA CONSIDERING ANOTHER STIMULUS PACKAGE**

**VO: 23**

President Barack Obama is considering all options to create jobs, including another stimulus package, while trying to pull the out of a deep recession and deal with a record deficit, White House advisers said on Sunday. With more than half of the \$787 billion recovery package yet to be spent, Obama aides said the administration is not ready to commit to additional measures.

### **WHITE HOUSE SAYS STIMULUS SAVING EDUCATION JOBS**

**VO: 21**

The Obama administration said on Monday its economic stimulus had saved or created 250,000 education jobs, as it sought to push back against Republicans who contend the package was wasteful and had not worked. Faced with pressure to act to help spur job growth with the U.S. unemployment rate at 9.8 percent, President Barack Obama is considering new steps to help the economy, on top of the \$787 billion stimulus package passed earlier this year.

### **ARIZONA JOE ARPAIO RAIDS**

**ALEJANDRA ESPINOZA / PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

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After 2 days of operative in on the part of bailiffs of the sheriff in the Valley Northwest its residents complain which these lived to got worse already but aggravated to economic situation of Surprise and the Mirage. These while the affected families' complaint discrimination at the time of the arrests.

### **TEXAS POLICE IMMIGRATION CONTROLS**

**PEDRO ROJAS / HOUSTON, TEXAS**

**PKG 1:58**

Some state and local police are having second thoughts about working with the federal government to enforce immigration laws. Under what's known as the 287(g) program, agencies sign a voluntary agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and are trained to check legal status of prisoners and crime suspects, and to initiate deportations. The contract can specify enforcement in jail, in the community or both. Several police agencies have complained that new rules set by the Obama administration would cost too much time and money and, in some cases, damage their relationship with immigrants.

### **INTERNATIONAL PARENTAL CHILD ABDUCTION**

**RYAN DOOLEY & MARTHA PACHECO / MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**INTERVIEW 5:00MIN. APPROX.**

Under the laws of the United States and many foreign countries, international parental child abduction is crime. Removing a child from the United States against another parent's wishes can be considered a crime in every U.S. state. In some cases an abducting parent may be charged with a Federal crime under the International Parental Kidnapping Crime Act (IPKCA). This can be the case even when neither parent holds a custody decree prior to the abduction. Nevertheless, a custody decree can be helpful to prevent international parental child abduction, or to recover your child if he/she is abducted.

### **INFLUENZA A H1N1**

**DR. JORGE ARANA / ATLANTA, GEORGIA**

**INTERVIEW 5:00MIN. APPROX.**

This flu season, scientists expect both 2009 H1N1 flu and seasonal flu to cause more people to get sick than a regular flu season. More hospital stays and deaths may also occur. Vaccines are the most important tool we have for preventing influenza. This season, there is a seasonal flu vaccine to protect against seasonal flu viruses and a 2009 H1N1 vaccine to protect against the 2009 H1N1 influenza virus (sometimes called "swine flu"). Each seasonal influenza vaccine contains three influenza viruses-one A (H3N2) virus, one regular seasonal A (H1N1) virus (not the 2009 H1N1 virus), and one B virus. The viruses in the vaccine change each year based on international surveillance and scientists' estimations about which types and strains of viruses will circulate in a given year. About 2 weeks after vaccination, antibodies that provide protection against influenza virus infection develop in the body.

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**MORTGAGE HELP**

**VO :21**

Home buyers, as well as renters, could benefit from a program being unveiled today by the Obama administration. Officials say the goal is to provide hundreds of thousands of affordable mortgages for working families, and to allow the development or rehabilitation of tens of thousands of affordable rental properties. The program will operate under a law passed last year to bolster the housing industry. It will feature two parts, a new bond purchase program to support new lending by housing finance agencies and a temporary credit and liquidity program to improve access by housing agencies to credit sources for their existing bonds.

**HEALTHCARE POLL**

**VO :27**

A new poll suggests more and more Americans are worried about losing their current health care coverage. As the health care debate nears the floor of the Senate, the poll from the nonpartisan Robert Wood Johnson Foundation finds conflicting views on whether an overhaul will help, make things worse or do nothing. About one-third of respondents say they're worried about losing current coverage in the next 12 months. That's a slight increase from 29 percent in August. The share who say they're worried has gone up by 11 percentage points since spring. Forty percent of young adults surveyed say they're concerned, but even 29 percent of seniors say they're worried, despite having taxpayer-subsidized coverage through Medicare.

**STUDY: STATES CAN'T AFFORD DEATH PENALTY**

**VO :21**

Death penalty costs can average \$10M more per year per state than life terms Eleven state legislatures have considered repealing the death penalty this year Study relied on U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics data from 33 large urban counties.

**SCHOOL LUNCHES**

**VO :24**

Improving nutritional value of U.S. school food programs by increasing servings of fruits, vegetables and whole grains could increase the cost of breakfast by as much as 25 percent and lunch by 9 percent, according to a report released on Tuesday. A report from the Institute of Medicine, an arm of the National Academies, proposed updating school meal programs to meet nutritional needs and foster better eating habits, but recognized healthier, fresher ingredients would boost costs, especially at breakfast where fruit servings would increase.

**RECALL BABY FOOD**

**VO :19**

There's a national baby food recall. Plum Organics is recalling some of its apple and carrot portable pouch baby food because of concerns over possible botulism contamination. The product was sold individually throughout the country at Toys-R-Us and Babies-R-Us stores. The California-based company says the product did not meet the FDA guidelines for proper acidity level, leaving it vulnerable to botulism contamination. Botulism is a serious and sometimes life-threatening condition. Consumers should not use these products, even if they appear to be normal, because of the possible health risk. No illnesses have been reported in connection with the baby food, and the company says no other Plum Organics products are affected.

**AIDS VACCINE**

**VO :26**

Scientists say further analysis of tests on an experimental AIDS vaccine offer disappointment and cause for optimism. The latest results confirm that it is only marginally effective and suggest that its protection against HIV infection may wane over time. But scientists say one exciting part is that the vaccine does seem to have some effect, the first time that's happened. Scientists also think blood samples from the trial may show how to make a vaccine that does a better job. The results also hint that the vaccine may work better in the general population than in those at higher risk of infection. The test was done using thousands of HIV-negative men and women in Thailand ages 18 to 30 at average risk of becoming infected.

### **SWINE FLU-NURSES**

**VO :31**

A nurses' union is threatening a one-day strike at 34 hospitals across California, accusing them of poor swine flu preparedness. California Nurses Association spokesman Chuck Idelson says up to 16,000 registered nurses will strike on Oct. 30 if federal swine flu recommendations aren't written into their contracts. Idelson said Monday that nurses have complained about poor access to protective masks since a Sacramento nurse died in July after contracting swine flu. Catholic Healthcare West runs 28 of the hospitals expected to be affected by the strike. Hospital chain spokeswoman Jill Dryer says contract negotiations have been under way since March and include a commitment to provide safe working environments for nurses.

### **FLU HOSPITAL VISITORS**

**VO :24**

Hospitals around the country are turning away visiting children and tightening restrictions on adults, too, in hopes of limiting the spread of swine flu in the hallways. Utah and Colorado are recommending visitor limits for hospitals statewide. But mostly it's a hospital-by-hospital decision. Some hospitals are trying education instead of rules, posting signs that urge people of any age to postpone that visit if they have a sniffle or cough. But there's little science the limits work. Consequently, neither the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention nor the American Hospital Association have set guidelines on the issue.

### **H1N1 LATEST**

**FERNANDO PIZARRO / WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 1:49**

The pandemic H1N1 flu virus was confirmed for the first time Monday in a U.S. hog, which was exhibited at the Minnesota State Fair where four teenagers became sick, the Agriculture Department said Monday. USDA said the discovery does not suggest infection of commercial pig herds raised for slaughter. Health officials say the virus, originally known as swine flu, is not linked to meat products.

### **RAISING SCHOLARSHIP MONEY**

**LUIS MEGID/ BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:58**

Catalino Tapia arrived in America from Mexico at the age of 20 with six dollars in his pocket and a sixth grade education. He worked hard, eventually starting his own gardening business to support his wife and two sons. His proudest moment came when his son graduated from UC Berkeley law school. It was also pivotal. Tapia decided that more young Latinos should have the chance to reach the same heights. He launched the Bay Area Gardeners' Foundation, a nonprofit comprised of area gardeners that provide scholarships to low-income Latinos

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### **OBAMA SMALL BUSINESS**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ - NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:10**

President Barack Obama is expected to announce a series of initiatives Wednesday aimed at boosting credit to small businesses, an administration official said, as the White House tries to address a thorny problem which many believe is a continuing drag on the economy. The White House will move to increase the caps on existing Small Business Administration loans. It will also include measures to make it easier for small banks to access funds from the Troubled Asset Relief Program. The Obama administration has struggled to figure out what to do for small businesses and has spent months trying to get its initial program off the ground.

### **US AUTO BAILOUT**

**VO: 33**

U.S. stocks rose Wednesday, boosted by progress on a bailout of the U.S. auto industry, even as opposition to the plan from several Senate Republicans shaved earlier gains. "It appears that there's some sort of a snag," said Peter Cardillo, chief market economist at Avalon Partners. "But the market knows that [the bailout] is going to happen in one shape or another." A jump in the price of oil also helped lift energy shares, providing support for the overall market, thanks to "President-elect Obama's plan to boost this economy," Cardillo added.

### **UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**VO:23**

Fewer states posted an increase in unemployment in September, even as the national rate recently hit a 26-year high of 9.8%. Jobless rates increased in 23 states and the District of Columbia last month, according to a report released Wednesday by the Labor Department. Additionally, 19 states posted a decrease in unemployment, and eight states had rates hold steady in September. That's compared to August, when 27 states and the District of Columbia recorded month-over-month unemployment rate increases.

### **HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL**

**VO:21**

A key U.S. Senate committee endorsed a sweeping healthcare overhaul on Tuesday, gaining the support of an influential Republican and delivering President Barack Obama a victory on his top domestic priority. The Democratic-controlled Senate Finance Committee approved the measure by 14-9, with Senator Olympia Snowe becoming the first Republican in Congress to back a healthcare reform bill. Snowe, who had been courted by Obama and his fellow Democrats, said she backed the plan with reservations and could not guarantee her continued support as the overhaul advances through Congress. "My vote today is my vote today. It doesn't forecast what my vote will be tomorrow," Snowe said, warning there was still a long road ahead for healthcare reform.

### **US GUANTANAMO**

**VO: 20**

The Supreme Court agreed Tuesday to decide whether Guantanamo detainees who are considered no threat can be ordered released in the United States - over the objections of the Obama administration and Congress - if the prisoners have nowhere else to go. The case could further complicate the administration's plans to close the Guantanamo prison where 220 or so men are still held.

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### **FINANCIAL OVERHAUL**

**VO: 21**

A House committee is expected to approve a bill today creating a new Consumer Financial Protection Agency. The agency would regulate popular financial products like mortgages, credit cards and savings accounts. The vote would be a victory for President Barack Obama, who has

made the agency a top priority in his effort to tighten the rules governing Wall Street and prevent another economic crisis. But there's plenty of fine prints that will limit the new agency's reach.

#### **HOMEBUYERS TAX CREDIT**

##### **VO: 29**

House panel is looking into concerns of fraud among those taking advantage of the first-time homebuyer tax credit. The program has been central to the Obama administration's effort to get the housing market back on track. The Ways and Means subcommittee hearing today comes as Congress considers whether to extend, and possibly expand, a stimulus act provision that allows qualified first-time homebuyers a tax credit of up to \$8,000. That benefit is scheduled to expire at the end of November.

#### **OBAMA-EXECUTIVE PAY**

##### **VO: 22**

The Obama administration plans to order companies that received huge government bailouts last year to sharply cut the compensation of their highest paid executives, according to a person familiar with the decision. The seven companies that received the most assistance will have to cut the annual salaries of their 25 highest-paid executive by an average of about 90 percent from last year, said the person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because it has not been announced. This person said Wednesday that the Treasury Department will announce the deep pay cuts within the next few days.

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#### **HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL**

##### **VO: 25**

Members of the Senate Finance Committee on Wednesday made slow progress on a sweeping health-care overhaul bill, turning aside an amendment that would have further delayed the measure and preparing for bigger, more-contentious amendments to come. Senators narrowly shot down an amendment by Sen. Jim Bunning, R-Ky., that would have made the bill's language public ahead of the vote, as well as the final cost analysis from the Congressional Budget Office. Bunning wanted both to be posted on the committee's Web site for 72 hours before members take a final vote. But Sen. Max Baucus, the Montana Democrat who chairs the panel, is seeking to vote on the bill this week.

#### **GAYS-HATE CRIMES**

##### **VO: 24**

a vote of 68-29, the U.S. Senate passed a hate crimes bill making violence against gays and lesbians a Federal crime on Thursday. The bill is expected to be signed by President Obama. The passage of the bill is seen as a victory for civil rights groups that have long sought to expand the Federal statute beyond attacks motivated by religion, race, color or national origin. Named in honor of Matthew Shepard, a gay student at the University of Wyoming who was beaten to death in 1998, and for James Byrd Jr., an African American in Texas who was chained to a pickup and dragged to death the same year, the bill was attached to a \$680-billion Pentagon measure.

#### **GAY MARRIAGE-CENSUS**

##### **VO: 25**

The U.S. Census Bureau is making an unprecedented effort to include same-sex couples in next year's national population count, but legally married gay couples won't show up as such in the official once-a-decade tally, bureau representatives said Thursday. Statistical problems related to the development of the 2010 census form and the evolving legal state of same-sex relationships led Census officials to conclude that trying to include married gay couples in the overall snapshot of household marital status could yield an inaccurate number, said Gary Gates, a University of California, Los Angeles demographer who has been advising the bureau on gay issues.

## **AMBULANCES OBESE PATIENTS**

**VO: 18**

The memory still bothers Ken Keller: A panicked ambulance crew had a critically ill patient, but the man weighed more than 1,000 pounds and could not fit inside the vehicle. And the stretcher wasn't sturdy enough to hold him.

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## **H1N1 NOW NATIONAL EMERGENCY**

**VO :30**

President Barack Obama has declared 2009 H1N1 swine flu a national emergency, the White House said. The declaration will make it easier for U.S. medical facilities to handle a surge in flu patients by allowing the waiver of some requirements of Medicare, Medicaid and other federal health insurance programs as needed, the White House said in a statement.

## **SAN FRANCISCO TO EASE UP ON UNLICENSED DRIVERS**

**VO:24**

San Francisco is about to give a big break to people, many of them illegal immigrants, who are caught driving without a license. Cops will no longer impound cars the first time drivers are pulled over without a license. The reason: Many such drivers are in the United States illegally and thus unable to get a license - and the officials pushing the change think that impounding their cars is an unfair hardship. Instead, unlicensed drivers will be given 20 minutes to phone a relative or other acquaintance with a valid license and insurance to pick up the car. If the driver doesn't have a cell phone, police will help him contact someone.

## **HOTEL OWNER TELLS HISPANIC WORKERS TO CHANGE NAMES**

**O/C :26**

In New Mexico, ex-employees of a hotel of the Taos city protest against the owner of the business to which they describe as racist, because he prevent them to speak in Spanish in front of him. The demonstrators also complained that the proprietor of the hotel asked Latin employees to change their names to English. The peculiar thing is that the Hispanic measures of the industrialist do not have capacity in a city where the Spanish has one long history in the city.

## **VITAMIN D KIDS**

**VO :30**

A recent analysis suggests at least one in five U.S. children aged 1 to 11 don't get enough vitamin D and the main author says the number is between 80 and 90 percent for minority kids. A vitamin D deficiency could put kids at risk for a variety of health problems including weak bones. Dr. Jonathan Mansbach calls the statistics for black and Hispanic children "astounding numbers" that should serve as a call to action. He's a researcher at Harvard Medical School and Children's Hospital in Boston. Vitamin D deficiency in children, teens and adults is a concern because of recent studies suggesting the vitamin might help prevent serious diseases, including infections, diabetes and even some cancers. Exactly how much vitamin D children and adults should get, and defining when they are deficient, is still under debate.

## **UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**VO :28**

Senate Democrats are trying again this week to extend unemployment benefits. Democrats are pushing a bill that would extend expiring benefits for 14 weeks in all states and an extra six weeks in states where unemployment is above 8 1/2 percent. Unhappy with how Democrats' planned to pay for the extended benefits, Republicans refused to let the benefits extension move ahead via unanimous consent. Democrats now indicate they're now open to Republican amendments. One

to be offered would extend the tax credit for first time homebuyers, which is set to expire next month.

#### **HEALTHCARE SYSTEM WASTES UP TO \$800 BILLION A YEAR**

**VO :27**

The U.S. healthcare system is just as wasteful as President Barack Obama says it is, and proposed reforms could be paid for by fixing some of the most obvious inefficiencies, preventing mistakes and fighting fraud, according to a Thomson Reuters report released. The U.S. healthcare system wastes between \$505 billion and \$850 billion every year, the report from Robert Kelley, vice president of healthcare analytics at Thomson Reuters, found.

#### **OKLAHOMA SWINE FLU LONG LINES**

**VO :23**

Long lines in Oklahoma City Saturday, showed many believed the best defense against the flu is a good offense. Thousands packed two metro high schools to get free H1N1 shots. Grant High School's freshman Michaela Bailey was first in line at five in the morning. Not everyone seemed to be a huge fan of getting a shot but after it's all said and done. The Oklahoma City County Health Department officials say they vaccinated over 35-hundred people at both the U. S. Grant and Southeast High flu shot clinics.

#### **COLORADO DRIVE-THRU FLU CLINIC**

**VO :22**

Thousands of people waited in line in denver to receive the h-1-n-1 vaccine. The vaccination against influenza h1n1 was more comfortable as patients drive through shots so people come through with their car roll their sleeve up. This method is much easier for the medical personnel and the patients do not take more than five minutes. In a matter of hours the four lots sections off for flu shots were reduced to two, after massively applying the dose to thousands of residents.

#### **"NO ENGLISH TICKETS"**

**SANDRA SILVESTRUCCI / DALLAS, TEXAS**

**PKG 1:56**

The woman who exposed a Dallas police practice of issuing tickets for failing to speak English is now speaking out for herself. Dallas police Chief David Kunkle apologized Friday for the ticket that was issued to Ernestina Mondragon. Kunkle admitted that 38 similar tickets had been issued in the past three years. Now, Mondragon and Hispanic leaders are demanding change.

#### **INTERVIEW H1N1**

**DR. JUAN TAPIA / NEW YORK**

**5:00MIN. APPROX**

Dr. Tapia answers questions from viewers about H1N1 swine flu.

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#### **US IMMIGRATION WORKERS**

**VO :26**

Workplace immigration raids during the Bush administration interfered with ongoing labor investigations and allowed employers to exploit workers who complained about conditions on the job, labor groups said in a report released. The stepped-up immigration enforcement came at the expense of rigorous enforcement of labor protections that are guaranteed to all workers regardless of immigration status, the groups said.

#### **RECESSION OVER**

**VO :22**

Economic numbers coming out in the next week or so are expected to make it technically official the recession is over, but not the pain. This week, the government will be releasing figures expected to show the Gross Domestic Product growing at an annual rate of around 3 percent. But next week, the government issues another set of numbers expected to show unemployment rising toward and possibly passing a clearly recessionary 10 percent. Such seemingly contradictory assertions raise questions about economic scorekeeping. For his part, economist James K. Galbraith says any real return to prosperity could be years away, when unemployment gets back around 4 percent.

#### **SLOWER DEVELOPMENT ON HISPANIC CHILDREN**

**VO :20**

A study reveals that the slow understanding of language and reasoning is higher on hispanic children of two or three years old, in comparison with the white minors of the same age. The experts attribute this slow development to low levels of maternal education, lack of educative practice at home and to the numerous things that a family can be.

#### **ADVANCE PAYMENT PLANS FOR UNIVERSITIES MORE EXPENSIVE**

**VO :32**

Advance payment plans for state universities increased price this year in Florida, up to four times in some cases. The advance payment plan been pleased plan to cover in its totality the matriculation that receives the universities, raised of "four thousands 600" dollars for new born the last year, to near " veinte" thousand dollars this year. And that besides the basic quota of the state universities, that also is going to increase. the increases must that the legislature him this retiring the state endorsement to the universities.

#### **POLICE HEADS PRO THE REFORMATION IMMIGRATION**

**VO :25**

More that 50 heads and police bailiffs of great cities and small towns has been united to civil and communitarian the coalition of organization that promote the migratory reformation. They have added organizations of black and Latin police that conform the call "Initiative of participation of agencies of" law. Many of these agents reject the controversial programs well-known like 287g, that allows the local police to exert migratory functions like arrests of undocumented people.

#### **CAMPAIGN TARGETS MORTGAGE MODIFICATION SCAMS**

**VO :26**

A national housing nonprofit has launched an education campaign in Southern California to combat scams targeting homeowners in peril of foreclosure. Loan modification fraud is on the rise, costing troubled homeowners thousands of dollars up front for mediation and counseling services that are provided free by federally approved nonprofits.

#### **AIRLINES CHARGE**

**VO :19**

Some airlines charge \$25 just to check a bag. Southwest just started a sale where \$25 will get you from point A to Point B on certain routes. Dallas-based Southwest today announced one-way travel as low as \$25, for travel up to 375 miles. The price is \$50 for travel between 375 and 549 miles, and \$75 for flights between 550 and 999 miles.

#### **STUDENTS E-COLI**

**VO :19**

Massachusetts health officials say a meat company is voluntarily recalling beef products after more than 20 school children and adults from Rhode Island were sickened by E. coli. Department of Public Health spokeswoman Jennifer Manley said that South Shore Meat Company of Brockton is recalling ground beef and other products after tests showed the presence of E. coli in leftover samples. Those sickened include two sixth-graders, who were hospitalized after consuming contaminated meat during a field trip earlier this month. Massachusetts officials say tests showed the ground beef collected at the camp is the same strain of E. coli confirmed in two

of the children. E. coli can cause serious illness in young children, the elderly or those with compromised immune systems.

#### **DODD CALLS FOR INTERIM FREEZE ON CREDIT CARD FEES AND RATES**

**VO :29**

Senator Christopher J. Dodd, Democrat of Connecticut, on Monday proposed freezing interest rates and fees on existing credit balances until a new law took effect. Senator Dodd, the chairman of the Senate Banking Committee, said his bill was necessary because banks were raising rates "to squeeze customers" before the remaining provisions of law took effect in February. The new credit card law, which was passed in May, seeks to stop banks from arbitrarily raising interest rates. Last week, the House Financial Services Committee passed legislation to move up the effective date for the credit card law, which will restrict interest rate increases and hidden fees, from Feb. 22 to Dec. 1. The measure is opposed by the banking industry, which says it will be difficult if not impossible to meet the expedited deadline.

#### **NEW JOBS**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK**

**PKG 1:58**

An economic survey provides fresh evidence that a fitful recovery is underway as customer demand grows in the third quarter for the first time in more than a year and the jobs outlook brightens a bit. For the first time since the recession began, the portion of companies planning to add employees in the next six months outnumbered those expecting to cut jobs, according to this month's quarterly survey of economists at 78 firms by the National Association for Business Economics.

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#### **CUBA-US EMBARGO**

**VO: 25**

As the United Nations General Assembly prepares to vote on a resolution presented by Cuba to end economic sanctions against the island, life in the communist country continues to show the signs of the 47-year-old embargo imposed by the United States on its regime. The UN General Assembly vote will take place in New York on Wednesday, on whether to end the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the US against Cuba. Over the past 17 years, the UN has voted overwhelmingly to repeal the unilateral sanctions, with the United States and a few allies voting in opposition or abstaining.

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**VO: 19**

Legislation to extend unemployment benefits for out-of-work Americans has cleared a procedural hurdle in the Senate. Senate Democrats, saying that 7,000 people a day are exhausting their benefits, called on their colleagues to move quickly to a final vote. Republicans insisted they get a chance to offer amendments.

#### **HOME PRICES**

**LUIS MEGID - SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:33**

Home prices rose for the third straight month in August, a key ingredient for a broad and sustained housing recovery. The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller home price index of 20 major cities climbed 1 percent from July to a seasonally adjusted reading of 144.5. While prices are down 11.4 percent from August a year ago, the annual declines have slowed since February.

#### **SF BOARD CHANGES TACK ON IMMIGRANT MINORS**

**VO: 17**

The Board of Supervisors gave final approval Tuesday to a measure that would keep law enforcement from turning over minors to immigration authorities unless they have been found guilty of a felony. The move pits the panel against Mayor Gavin Newsom and law enforcement by reversing his policy of turning over youths to Immigration and Customs Enforcement after their arrest. Newsom took the stance in 2008 after the city was accused of protecting young offenders such as Edwin Ramos from deportation. Ramos, an undocumented immigrant from El Salvador, was charged with felonies as a minor, but the sanctuary policy allowed the suspected gang member to stay in the U.S.

**OBAMA TO SIGN DEFENSE BILL, HATE CRIME LEGISLATION****VO: 22**

President Barack Obama is signing a big defense spending bill today that includes a hefty pay raise for the troops. The military pay increase of 3.4 percent exceeds inflation and is a half-percent more than even the president asked for. Lawmakers had their way on a number of spending items, though Obama did prevail in his fight to end production on the Cold War-era F-22 fighter.

**GMAC ANOTHER BAILOUT****VO: 24**

A Treasury Department spokesman confirms GMAC Financial Services is in talks with the Treasury Department for a third injection of taxpayer aid. The auto lender faces a November deadline to raise an \$11.5 billion cushion mandated by results of the government's "stress test" earlier this year.

**PSYCHIATRIC DRUGS-KIDS****VO: 18**

A worrisome effect is emerging for children on widely used psychiatric drugs -- major weight gain and obesity. A new study says many kids pack on nearly 20 pounds and become obese within just 11 weeks of taking such drugs. Dr. Christopher Varley, a psychiatrist with Seattle Children's Hospital, says occasionally, "you can actually see them grow between appointments." He says the study results are "sobering."

**INSULIN SYRINGE RECALL****VO: 20**

An Alabama company is recalling about 250 million Accusure insulin syringes it has distributed nationwide since January 2002. Huntsville-based Qualitest Pharmaceuticals says it's received about four complaints related to the needle detaching from the syringe, but no reports of injuries.

**H1N1 LATEST****BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ - NEW YORK****PKG 2:09**

One scenario by the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology forecasts that if 30% of the U.S. population contracts H1N1 flu, 90 million could get sick, 1.8 million would be hospitalized and 30,000 or more would die. The Trust for America's Health, a non-profit public-health advocacy group, reported in early October that if the infection rate hits 35%, many states may run out of hospital beds, forcing hospitals to begin canceling elective procedures. So far, hospitals have been taxed - but not to that degree.

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**10/29/09**

**HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL****VO: 30**

After months of contentious negotiating, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi prepared to unveil a retooled health care overhaul plan intended to bridge differences among Democrats and open a history-making floor debate on extending health insurance to nearly all Americans.

#### **IMMIGRATION ID CARDS**

**VO: 26**

Ten New Haven residents filed a lawsuit Wednesday accusing federal agents of violating their rights during an immigration raid they say was in retaliation for a city program that provided ID cards to foreigners in the country illegally -- the first of its kind in the nation. The sweeps in New Haven on June 6, 2007, came two days after the city approved issuing identification cards to all of its residents, regardless of immigration status. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials have denied that the early morning raids were retaliatory, saying planning began the year before.

#### **OBAMA STIMULUS JOBS**

**VO: 25**

A review of jobs created or saved by President Barack Obama's economic recovery plan shows some of the numbers are overstated. The administration says recovery money has helped pay for more than 30,000 jobs. But The Associated Press found that a company in Colorado that said it created more than 4,300 had actually produced fewer than 1,000. A firm in Ohio that reported 54 jobs created only six.

#### **SWINE FLU VACCINE/ US TO GET 3M DOSES**

**VO:20**

Swiss drug-maker Novartis AG says it will deliver about 30 million doses of swine flu vaccine to the United States by the end of November. The company says in a statement Thursday that it already has shipped more than 7.5 million doses of pandemic vaccine to America and is on target with commitments made to the U.S. Novartis and other major swine flu vaccine producers have been hit by production delays.

#### **HEALTH DEPARTMENT WARNS OF SWINE FLU PARTIES**

**VO:28**

The Centers for Disease Control warns on its website about the new trend. Officials said some people are intentionally coming in contact with an infected person, in the hopes of getting a mild form of the virus. The thought is they will develop an immunity that could protect them if the strain becomes more severe. They said these parties are not a good idea. "There is no way to predict what the outcome will be for an individual or, equally important, for others to whom the intentionally infected person may spread the virus," the website states.

#### **DIABETES CAN BE DELAYED WITH DIET, EXERCISE**

**VO:24**

People on the brink of developing diabetes who get a lot of support and encouragement to diet and exercise can turn things around and avoid the disease, U.S. researchers said on Wednesday. "Millions of people could delay diabetes for years and possibly prevent the disease altogether if they lost a modest amount of weight through diet and increased physical activity," said Dr. Griffin Rodgers, director of the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Disease.

#### **SEX, ALCOHOL, FAT AMONG WORLD'S BIG KILLERS: WHO**

**VO: 24**

Tackling just five health factors could prevent millions of premature deaths and increase global life expectancy by almost 5 years, the United Nations World Health Organization (WHO) said Tuesday. Poor childhood nutrition, unsafe sex, alcohol, bad sanitation and hygiene, and high blood pressure are to blame for around a quarter of the 60 million premature deaths around the world each year, the WHO said in a report.

## **NO LINK SEEN BETWEEN COFFEE AND HEART FAILURE**

**VO: 23**

Contrary to findings from an earlier study, new research suggests that coffee lovers do not face an increased risk of heart failure. Researchers found that among more than 37,000 middle-aged and older Swedish men, those who regularly drank coffee were no more likely to develop heart failure than those who infrequently, if ever, drank the beverage.

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**10/30/09**

## **OBAMA PREVIEW - RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS BILL**

**VO :19**

President Barack Obama is set to sign an extension of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS bill. The legislation currently provides care, treatment and support services to nearly half a million people, most of whom are low-income. Later Friday, the president meets in the White House Situation Room with the Joint Chiefs of Staff to discuss Afghanistan and Pakistan. Vice President Joe Biden is expected to attend, along with all the major players except Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, who's on a foreign trip.

## **HEALTHCARE OVERHAUL**

**LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC**

**VO :28 & PKG 2:04**

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi will unveil a health-care reform bill on Thursday that includes a government insurance option and a historic expansion of Medicaid, although sticking points in the legislation involving abortion and immigration remain unresolved. Senior Democratic House aides said the bill would likely include a version of the "public option" preferred by moderates and may raise Medicaid eligibility levels to 150 percent of the federal poverty level for all adults, a steeper increase than in earlier drafts.

## **CENSUS COLLEGE STUDENTS**

**VO :28**

Some are there because of the recession, and others despite it. Regardless, more young Americans than ever are in college especially community college, according to a new report. A record high of about 11.5 million Americans age 18 to 24, or nearly 40 percent, attended college in October 2008, according to a study of Census data released Thursday by the Pew Research Center. Virtually all the increase of 300,000 students over the previous year came at two-year schools, while attendance at four-year schools remained flat.

## **CDC VACCINE ADVISORY**

**VO :26**

CDC offers an update ON how the process of distribution of vaccines against the influenza h1 n1 goes. 16 thousand nurses of three chains of catholic hospitals of California and Nevada, today realise a day of labor unemployment and protests, by the lack of preparation of many medical centers to confront the pandemic of influenza h1 n1.

## **OVERDRAFT CHARGES HEARING**

**VO :15**

A bipartisan legislative effort to reform credit card interchange fees and consumer credit card concerns (overdraft fees, interest rate hikes, curtailed lines of credit) is making headway in Congress, Politico.com reports. The tug-of-war is in response to the credit card rules that President Obama signed into law in May, and House Democrats are more determined than ever to accelerate their implementation date, according to the Capitol Hill news source.

## **ECONOMY GROWS LATEST**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:03**

Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said he sees positive signs that the economy is recovering, although the recession remains "alive and acute" for families dealing with unemployment and facing home foreclosure. In testimony before the House Financial Services Committee, Geithner said that Americans were saving much more and borrowing less from the rest of the world. The economy grew at an annual rate of 3.5 percent in the third quarter of this year, the strongest rate of growth seen in two years.

**H1N1: 6 MILLION CASES****VO :25**

Health officials think that as many as 5.7 million Americans were infected with swine flu during the first few months of the pandemic. Scientists at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that between 1.8 million and 5.7 million Americans were infected from April through July. The estimate is the CDC's most specific calculation to date. Officials had simply been saying millions have been infected. The estimate is in an article in a CDC publication called Emerging Infectious Diseases.

**STATIN DRUGS MAY LOWER DEATHS FROM FLU****VO :22**

Patients taking statin drugs were almost 50 percent less likely to die from flu, researchers reported on Thursday in a study providing more evidence the cholesterol-lowering drugs help the body cope with infection. The findings are compelling enough to justify doing controlled studies in which some patients are given the drugs deliberately and some are not, said Meredith Vandermeer of the Oregon Public Health Division, who helped lead the study.

**WHEN MOMS GET FLU SHOT, BABIES BENEFIT TOO****VO :17**

When pregnant women get vaccinated against flu, their babies are bigger, healthier and less likely to be premature, researchers reported on Thursday. The studies show that influenza vaccines protect not only women, who are extremely vulnerable to flu when pregnant, but also their babies before and after birth, the researchers said. When moms get flu shot, babies benefit too.

**CANCER ICE CREAM****VO: 17**

Scientists of New Zealand are developing an ice cream that is so good for the health that could prescribe by the doctor. The frozen delight, called "recharge", use active ingredients of milky products to alleviate diarrhea, anemia and the lack of appetite in people with cancer who are put under chemotherapy.

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**10/16/09**

**IMMIGRANT ENFORCEMENT  
LOURDES DEL RIO. WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:20**

The Homeland Security Department says it has completed agreements with 55 state and law enforcement agencies to help arrest and deport immigration violators. But one of those agreements would limit Maricopa County, Ariz., Sheriff Joe Arpaio and his deputies to checking only the immigration status of jail inmates. Arpaio is the subject of a Justice Department investigation triggered by complaints of racial profiling. Arpaio denies the allegations. Immigration and Customs Enforcement operates the controversial program. The Obama administration altered it after complaints of abuses and mismanagement. Six agencies did not renew the agreements after the changes.

**MORE ARPAIO RAIDS  
VICTOR HUGO RODRIGUEZ. PHOENIX, ARIZONA  
PKG 2:00**

Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio has launched a crime and immigration sweep in the Phoenix area, less than a day after officials in Washington limited his powers to make federal immigration arrests. The federal government stripped the controversial Arpaio of his power to let 100 deputies make such arrests but renewed another deal that lets 60 jails officers determine the immigration status of people in jail. The sweeps Friday in some heavily Latino areas have drawn criticism that Arpaio's deputies racially profile people, a charge that the sheriff denies. Arpaio says his deputies can still detain illegal immigrants as long as they are turned over to federal authorities within a day or two.

**MORE DEAD FOR FLU  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK  
PKG 1:49**

The swine flu is causing an unprecedented amount of illness for so early in the fall -- and federal health officials said Friday that 11 more children have died in the past week. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says about half of the child deaths since September have been among teenagers. And overall for the country, deaths from pneumonia and flu-like illnesses have passed what CDC considers an epidemic level. About 6 percent of all doctor visits are for flu-like illnesses, levels not normally seen until later in the fall. Also the vaccination has been slow because the production of so many takes time.

**FORECLOSURES AND CENSUS  
JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:01**

The Census Bureau director says foreclosures will make it tougher and more expensive to get an accurate count of families next year. Director Robert Groves said Tuesday in Los Angeles that he expects some questionnaires will land at empty homes in areas hard hit by the housing crisis. That means workers will need to make more door-to-door visits, which costs more money. Groves also says his agency will need to focus on reaching out to people who are newly homeless and to families who have doubled up with relatives until they can get back on their feet. Groves says the Census Bureau will address the problem by mailing replacement forms, using a shorter questionnaire and sending bilingual forms to some areas.

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**10/17/09**

**6:30 & 11:30 SHOW**

**H1N1 NO TOUCHING**  
**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK**  
**PKG 2:24**

Hospitals, churches, firehouses and even taxi companies are loading up on hand sanitizer, changing behavior and taking other steps to prevent the spread of swine flu. Bottles of hand sanitizer are within sight of passengers in all 16 taxis operated by Yellow Cab of Iowa City. When people filed into Church of Our Saviour on Sunday in Cocoa Beach, Fla., they bumped fists with priest Sean Heslin instead of shaking hands. Many workplaces and other spots where people gather urge hand-sanitizer use and frequent hand washing.

**OBAMA HEALTHCARE**

**VO: 20**

President Barack Obama is pushing back against critics of his health care plan. In his weekly radio and Internet address, Obama warns that costs will continue to rise and eventually devastate the U.S. economy without reform. Earlier this week, the health insurance industry released a study claiming that the bill passed by the Senate Finance Committee would raise premiums for millions of people who already have health coverage. Obama says the report is "designed to mislead the American people" and accused the industry of "filling the airwaves with deceptive and dishonest ads

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**10/18/09**

**6:30 & 11:30 SHOW**

**POLICE IMMIGRATION REPORT**  
**PEDRO ROJAS. HOUSTON, TEXAS**  
**PKG 2:18**

Some state and local police are having second thoughts about working with the federal government to enforce immigration laws. Under what's known as the 287(g) program, agencies sign a voluntary agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and are trained to check legal status of prisoners and crime suspects, and to initiate deportations. The contract can specify enforcement in jail, in the community or both. Several police agencies have complained that new rules set by the Obama administration would cost too much time and money and, in some cases, damage their relationship with immigrants.

**OBAMA HEALTH**

**VO: 21**

Top White House advisers Valerie Jarrett and David Axelrod are saying President Barack Obama still believes a government-run health care option would best meet his reform goals. But they say he's not demanding that it be in the overhaul legislation. The White House and lawmakers are trying to blend five versions of health care legislation into something that will pass Congress. But the House and Senate are deeply at odds over the "public option" idea. Jarrett says Obama believes the public plan is still the "best possible choice," but he's not demanding it. Axelrod says opposition by both Republicans and some Democrats to the idea means "we have to work through these issues."

**FAKE FLU DRUGS**

**VO: 21**

A New York congressman has issued a warning about con artists selling fake flu drugs online. Democrat Anthony Weiner says people may be so worried about the swine flu outbreak and what officials say is a temporary vaccine shortage, that they'll take a risk buying drugs online without thinking about it. He says his office easily found sites selling fake flu drugs. Weiner says FDA investigators saw some that turned out to be acetaminophen, the active ingredient in the over-

the-counter pain killer Tylenol. Weiner says buyers need to be sure an online site is legitimate and requires a prescription.

#### **NM DRIVER THRU VACCINE**

**VO: 24**

Concern about H1N1 flu may be taking over the minds of many, but the seasonal flu can be very serious and deadly as well. To keep New Mexicans healthy, U-N-M Health Services is offering free flu shots at clinics each weekend from now until Thanksgiving time. Plenty of people took advantage without leaving the comfort of their cars. Directing the heavy flow of traffic at the U-N-M drive-thru flu clinic is a busy job. As car after car drove up, nurses worked efficiently, vaccinating as many people as possible. Drive-thru clinics are great for people who have trouble getting around. Hospital officials advise getting your shot as soon as possible.

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**10/19/09**

#### **H1N1 LATEST**

**FERNANDO PIZARRO / WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 1:49**

The pandemic H1N1 flu virus was confirmed for the first time Monday in a U.S. hog, which was exhibited at the Minnesota State Fair where four teenagers became sick, the Agriculture Department said Monday. USDA said the discovery does not suggest infection of commercial pig herds raised for slaughter. Health officials say the virus, originally known as swine flu, is not linked to meat products.

#### **OPERATION STREAMLINE**

**VO :20**

Victims of immigration raids held a news conference to report what they call the abusive treatment of victims who were arrested under the Operation Streamline Program, which orders criminal charges against anyone who crosses the border without proper documents.

#### **NEW MEDICAL MARIHUANA**

**JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:15**

A new Obama administration policy loosening guidelines on federal prosecution of medical marijuana on Monday signaled to users that they had less to fear from federal agents but still left their suppliers to contend with a tangled mesh of state laws and regulations. The Justice Department told federal prosecutors that targeting people who use or provide medical marijuana in strict compliance with state laws was not a good use of their time.

#### **MORTGAGE HELP**

**VO :20**

Home buyers, as well as renters, could benefit from a program being unveiled today by the Obama administration. Officials say the goal is to provide hundreds of thousands of affordable mortgages for working families, and to allow the development or rehabilitation of tens of thousands of affordable rental properties. The program will operate under a law passed last year to bolster the housing industry. It will feature two parts -- a new bond purchase program to support new lending by housing finance agencies and a temporary credit and liquidity program to improve access by housing agencies to credit sources for their existing bonds.

#### **RAISING SCHOLARSHIP MONEY**

**LUIS MEGID/ BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:09**

Catalino Tapia arrived in America from Mexico at the age of 20 with six dollars in his pocket and a sixth grade education. He worked hard, eventually starting his own gardening business to support

his wife and two sons. His proudest moment came when his son graduated from UC Berkeley law school. It was also pivotal. Tapia decided that more young Latinos should have the chance to reach the same heights. He launched the Bay Area Gardeners' Foundation, a nonprofit comprised of area gardeners that provide scholarships to low-income Latinos.

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**10/20/09**

**HEALTHCARE POLL**  
**LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC**  
**PKG 2:03**

A new poll suggests more and more Americans are worried about losing their current health care coverage. As the health care debate nears the floor of the Senate, the poll from the nonpartisan Robert Wood Johnson Foundation finds conflicting views on whether an overhaul will help, make things worse or do nothing. The September poll also finds Americans are following the health care debate in Congress. About one-third of respondents say they're worried about losing current coverage in the next 12 months. That's a slight increase from 29 percent in August.

**OBAMA SMALL BUSINESSES**  
**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK**  
**PKG 2:09**

President Barack Obama is expected to announce a series of initiatives Wednesday aimed at boosting credit to small businesses, an administration official said, as the White House tries to address a thorny problem which many believe is a continuing drag on the economy. The White House will move to increase the caps on existing Small Business Administration loans. It will also include measures to make it easier for small banks to access funds from the Troubled Asset Relief Program. The Obama administration has struggled to figure out what to do for small businesses and has spent months trying to get its initial program off the ground.

**IMMIGRATION LAWSUIT**  
**LOURDES DEL RIO / MIAMI, FL**  
**PKG 2:34**

A Miami lawyer will be filing a lawsuit against Immigration because they deported the husband of one of his clients that was here under TPS. ICE deported him because he had a previous order of deportation but the lawyer says that they have made a mistake and that is why they are suing.

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**10/21/09**

**CANCER SOCIETY HAS CONCERN ON SCREENINGS**  
**LOURDES DEL RIO. MIAMI, FLORIDA**  
**PKG 1:54**

It is quietly working on a message, to put on its Web site early next year, to emphasize that screening for breast and prostate cancer and certain other cancers can come with a real risk of over treating many small cancers while missing cancers that are deadly. Prostate cancer screening has long been problematic. The cancer society, which with more than two million volunteers is one of the nation's largest voluntary health agencies, does not advocate testing for all men.

**SAN FRANCISCO SUPS APPROVE NEW IMMIGRATION POLICY**  
**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**  
**PKG 1:43**

Undocumented youths arrested on felony charges in San Francisco would have to be convicted before police could turn them over to federal immigration officials under a new policy approved by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. The supervisors voted Tuesday to overturn an existing

ordinance that allows police to hand over juvenile illegal immigrants after they have been arrested on felony charge. The supervisors' 8-2 vote is enough to override an expected veto from Mayor Gavin Newsom.

**SMALL BUSINESS BAILOUT**  
**LOURDES MELUZA. VIRGINIA**  
**PKG 2:04**

President Barack Obama is set to unveil plans to refocus spending of the government's \$700 billion financial bailout away from big financial institutions and toward small businesses. The White House says the initiatives will make it easier for smaller community banks to provide credit to small businesses, which have been hard-hit by the financial crisis. The president's plan also includes a request that Congress increase caps for existing Small Business Administration loans.

**H1N1 LATEST**  
**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**  
**PKG 2:14**

New numbers from the government say that young people, age 24 and under, have been hit the hardest by the H1N1 virus, and doubts and fears abound as we head into flu season. Is the U.S. prepared for a potential outbreak? On Wednesday morning members of the Obama administration head to Capitol Hill to help set the record straight. Education Secretary Arne Duncan, Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano and Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius are among those set to testify.

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**10/22/09**

**H1N1 VACCINES**  
**JAIMA GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**  
**PKG 2:15**

As the H1N1 virus continues to spread nationwide, a majority of those surveyed -- 52 percent -- now say they are "a great deal" or "somewhat" worried that they or someone in their household will be infected with it, up from 39 percent of those polled in August. Concern is rising fastest among young adults, one of the groups most vulnerable to the virus. In August, just 26 percent of those ages 18 to 29 said they were concerned; now 47 percent are worried. At the same time, however, many Americans are hesitant about being vaccinated or having their children inoculated. More than six in 10 say they will not get vaccinated, and only 52 percent of parents say they plan to have their children vaccinated, even though parents tend to be more worried about the flu.

**EXECUTIVES CUT PAY**  
**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK**  
**PKG 1:54**

The Obama administration plans to order companies that received huge government bailouts last year to sharply cut the compensation of their highest paid executives, According to a person familiar with the decision. The seven companies that received the most assistance will have to cut the annual salaries of their 25 highest-paid executive by an average of about 90 percent from last year, said the person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because it has not been announced. This person said Wednesday that the Treasury Department will announce the deep pay cuts within the next few days.

**GAYS ADDED TO HATE CRIME**  
**VO :20**

Gays who are physically assaulted because of their sexual orientation receive new federal hate crime protections under legislation heading for President Barack Obama's signature. With a

Senate vote on Thursday, Congress has approved a measure that expands current law to include crimes based on gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability. That's one of the most significant expansions of the law since it was enacted after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. in 1968.

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**HATE CRIME LEGISLATION  
LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG :22**

Legislation that would extend hate-crimes protection to gays and lesbians cleared the U.S. Congress Thursday as part of a compromise bill that sets the Pentagon's budget. The bill now heads to the White House, where President Obama will sign it into law or reject it because it approves weapons systems that the Pentagon does not want. It passed the Senate by a vote of 68 to 29. The House approved it on Oct. 8.

**NY LIFTS MANDATORY VACCINES  
VO :27**

New York Governor David A. Paterson announced Thursday evening that the State Health Commissioner Richard F. Daines, M.D. has suspended the mandatory influenza vaccines for healthcare workers. The rationale has more to do with a shortage of the H1N1 vaccine than the temporary restraining order that was handed down by a judge last week, State Department of Health spokeswoman Claudia Hutton told the New York Times.

**HEALTH CARE PUBLIC OPTION  
LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 1:53**

In pushing to include a government-run health insurance plan in the health care bill, the Senate majority leader, Harry Reid , is taking a calculated gamble that the 60 members of his caucus could support the plan if it included a way for states to opt out. Mr. Reid met with President Obama at the White House Thursday to inform him of his inclination to add the public option to the bill, but did not specifically ask the president to endorse that approach, a Democratic aide said. Mr. Obama asked questions, but did not express a preference at the meeting, a White House official said.

**FREE SWINE FLU VACCINE  
JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:02**

Los Angeles County will open the first in a series of swine flu vaccination clinics today, offering free shots to high-risk residents without insurance or a regular source of health care. Fielding has urged residents, especially pregnant women and children, to seek vaccinations from clinics or their doctor. Increasing amounts of H1N1 vaccine are expected to arrive in Los Angeles County on a weekly basis. Public Health's vaccine clinics will provide vaccine free of charge to residents in the H1N1 vaccine priority groups who do not have health insurance or a regular source of health care.

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**10/24/09**

**OBAMA SWINE FLU EMERGENCY  
ENRIQUE TEUTELO. IN HOUSE  
PKG 1:15 & VO :22**

President Barack Obama is making what administration officials are describing as a pre-emptive move against the swine flu. He's declaring the pandemic a national emergency, in an effort to speed treatment to thousands of infected people. Administration officials say the effort is designed to make decisions easier when they need to be made. The declaration authorizes Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius To bypass federal rules when opening offsite hospital centers. And hospitals could change patient rules to allow them faster access to treatment, with government approval. Obama says the months-old outbreak which has killed more than 1,000 in the U.S. continues to evolve. And, with the rates of illness rising rapidly, he says there's a potential to "overburden health care resources."

#### **FORECLOSURES**

#### **BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK**

#### **PKG 2:20**

The first night after she surrendered her house to foreclosure, Sheri West endured the darkness in her Hyundai sedan. She parked in her old driveway, with her flower-print dresses and hats piled in boxes on the back seat, and three cherished houseplants on the floor. She used her backyard as a restroom. The second night, she stayed with a friend, and so it continued for more than a year: Ms. West - mother of three grown children, grandmother to six and great-grandmother to one - passed months on the couches of friends and relatives, and in the front seat of her car. But this fall, she exhausted all options. She had once owned and overseen a group home for homeless people. Now, she succumbed to that status herself, checking in to a shelter.

#### **TEXAS "NO ENGLISH" APOLOGY**

#### **VO :23**

Dallas police chief issues public apology after rookie cop issues a ticket because a driver couldn't speak english. Dallas police Chief David Kunkle issued a public apology Friday after learning that a rookie officer issued a ticket to a motorist because she couldn't speak English. "We don't have abilities to determine proficiency in any language, and we shouldn't be doing it in the first place," Kunkle said. "I apologize to the Spanish-speaking Hispanic community." After a review of the records, Kunkle said about a half-dozen officers had issued a total of 38 similar citations. He said police would recommend to the courts that any pending cases be dismissed.

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**10/25/09**

#### **OK: SWINE FLU LONG LINES**

#### **VO :23**

Long lines in Oklahoma City Saturday, showed many believed the best defense against the flu is a good offense. Thousands packed two metro high schools to get free H1N1 shots. Grant High School's freshman Michaela Bailey was first in line at five in the morning. Not everyone seemed to be a huge fan of getting a shot but after it's all said and done. The Oklahoma City County Health Department officials say they vaccinated over 35-hundred people at both the U. S. Grant and Southeast High flu shot clinics.

#### **CA: SWINE FLU DRIVE THRU**

#### **VO :23**

Many Americans stood in long lines Saturday to get the H1N1 vaccine but in Southern California, residents got vaccinated without ever leaving their cars. Hundreds of people took advantage of a drive-thru clinic at Beach Cities Health District in Redondo Beach. The line of cars stretched along several blocks. Los Angeles County Public Health has scheduled over 200 H1N1 vaccination clinics during the next couple weeks. The first round of vaccines is being given to those in priority groups. They include babies, adults with medical problems, pregnant women, and medical workers.

**"NO ENGLISH TICKETS"**  
**VIRGILIO AVILA. DALLAS, TEXAS**  
**PKG 2:00**

The woman who exposed a Dallas police practice of issuing tickets for failing to speak English is now speaking out for herself. Dallas police Chief David Kunkle apologized Friday for the ticket that was issued to Ernestina Mondragon. Kunkle admitted that 38 similar tickets had been issued in the past three years. Now, Mondragon and Hispanic leaders are demanding change.

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**10/26/09**

**NEW PROGRAM FOR UNLICENSED DRIVERS**  
**LUIS MEGID- SAN FRANCISCO, CA**  
**PKG 2:00**

Call it sanctuary on wheels: San Francisco is about to give a big break to people, many of them illegal immigrants, who are caught driving without a license. Beginning Sunday, cops will no longer impound cars the first time drivers are pulled over without a license. The reason: Many such drivers are in the United States illegally - and thus unable to get a license - and the officials pushing the change think that impounding their cars is an unfair hardship. Instead, unlicensed drivers will be given 20 minutes to phone a relative or other acquaintance with a valid license and insurance to pick up the car. If the driver doesn't have a cell phone, police will help him contact someone.

**DC: PUBLIC OPTION**  
**VO: 24**

The Nevada Democrat on Monday announced that the Senate's merged health care bill would introduce a government-sponsored program into the health insurance market. But it remains unclear whether Reid, who is facing a tough re-election battle back home, has managed to corral the filibuster-proof 60 votes needed to guarantee passage of a final bill containing a so-called public option. That would include all 57 of his fellow Democratic senators and the two independents who caucus with them.

**EMERGENCY H1N1**  
**PKG 2:00**  
**JAIME GARCIA- LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

Despite long lines and limited supplies of the H1N1 flu vaccine, U.S. efforts against the disease are not too late, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said Monday. Sebelius acknowledged frustrating waits to get the vaccine, but said some 16.5 million doses are now being made available, with efforts to get more.

**NEW JOBS**  
**PKG 2:15**  
**BLANCA R. VILCHEZ- NUEVA YORK**

An economic survey out Monday provides fresh evidence that a fitful recovery is underway as customer demand grows in the third quarter for the first time in more than a year and the jobs outlook brightens a bit. For the first time since the recession began, the portion of companies planning to add employees in the next six months outnumbered those expecting to cut jobs, according to this month's quarterly survey of economists at 78 firms by the National Association for Business Economics.

**UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**  
**VO: 25**

Senate Democrats are trying again this week to extend unemployment benefits. Democrats are pushing a bill that would extend expiring benefits for 14 weeks in all states and an extra six weeks

in states where unemployment is above 8 1/2 percent. Unhappy with how Democrats' planned to pay for the extended benefits, Republicans refused to let the benefits extension move ahead via unanimous consent.

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**H1N1 VACCINE**

**PKG 2:21**

**LOURDES MELUZA- WASHINGTON, DC**

In a dramatic sign of Democrats' growing confidence that they have the votes to pass a far-reaching healthcare overhaul, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) said Monday that the bill he intended to send to the Senate floor next month would include a "public option." The provision would allow the federal government to create an insurance plan to be offered to Americans who do not get medical coverage through their employers -- with the proviso that states could opt out of the program.

**FLU PUSHING HOSPITALS**

**PKG 2:00**

**BLANCA R. VILCHEZ- NUEVA YORK**

One scenario by the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology forecasts that if 30% of the U.S. population contracts H1N1 flu, 90 million could get sick, 1.8 million would be hospitalized and 30,000 or more would die. The Trust for America's Health, a non-profit public-health advocacy group, reported in early October that if the infection rate hits 35%, many states may run out of hospital beds, forcing hospitals to begin canceling elective procedures. So far, hospitals have been taxed - but not to that degree.

**IMMIGRANT'S RIGHTS**

**PKG 2:00**

**JAIME GARCIA**

Workplace immigration raids during the Bush administration interfered with ongoing labor investigations and allowed employers to exploit workers who complained about conditions on the job, labor groups said in a report released Tuesday. The stepped-up immigration enforcement came at the expense of rigorous enforcement of labor protections that are guaranteed to all workers regardless of immigration status, the groups said.

**HOME PRICES REBOUNDING**

**LUIS MEGID- SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:00**

Home prices rose for the third straight month in August, a key ingredient for a broad and sustained housing recovery. The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller home price index of 20 major cities climbed 1 percent from July to a seasonally adjusted reading of 144.5. While prices are down 11.4 percent from August a year ago, the annual declines have slowed since February.

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**10/28/09**

**LAPD ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:13**

The outgoing chief of police urges the department to keep focusing on community outreach. L-A Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa is scheduled to meet with Deputy police Chief Charlie Beck today. It's the first of at least three days of interviews with the finalists chosen by the Police Commission to replace Los Angeles police William Bratton ... whose last day is Saturday. Beck is commander of

the L-A-P-D Detective Bureau. He joined the department in 1977 and was named a deputy chief in August 2006.

#### **IMMIGRATION ID CARDS SUIT**

**VO :26**

Ten Connecticut residents have filed a lawsuit accusing federal authorities of violating their rights by conducting an immigration raid in retaliation for a New Haven program that provided identification cards to foreigners in the country illegally. The sweeps in New Haven on June 6, 2007, came two days after the city approved issuing ID cards to all city residents, regardless of immigration status. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials deny the early-morning raids were retaliatory, saying planning began the year before.

#### **OBAMA HATE CRIME**

**VO :11**

The White House just announced that President Obama will hold two White House ceremonies tomorrow on the new defense authorization bill. After a signing ceremony for the \$680 billion defense spending plan, Obama hosts a second event on a new law attached to that bill: The Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act. The act makes it a federal crime to assault someone because of their sexual orientation, disability or gender identity. It is named for the victims of two horrific crimes in 1998: Matthew Shepard, a gay teenager from Wyoming who was beaten to death; and James Byrd, Jr., a black man from Texas who was tied to a pick-up truck and dragged to death.

#### **SWINE FLU SCHOOL CLOSED**

**VO :11**

Across the country schools are closing by the dozen as officials say they're being hit so hard by swine flu that they feel shutting down for a few days is the only feasible option. The U.S. Education Department says at least 351 schools were closed last week alone -- affecting 126,000 students in 19 states. So far this school year, about 600 total schools have temporarily closed. The number of closures this year appears on target to surpass the roughly 700 schools closed last spring when the swine flu outbreak first hit. Flu season hasn't peaked yet, and each day more schools are closing.

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**10/29/09**

#### **ECONOMY GROWS LATEST**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:28**

Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said he sees positive signs that the economy is recovering, although the recession remains "alive and acute" for families dealing with unemployment and facing home foreclosure. In testimony before the House Financial Services Committee, Geithner said that Americans were saving much more and borrowing less from the rest of the world. The economy grew at an annual rate of 3.5 percent in the third quarter of this year, the strongest rate of growth seen in two years.

#### **HOUSE HEALTH BILL**

**LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:18**

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi will unveil a health-care reform bill on Thursday that includes a government insurance option and a historic expansion of Medicaid, although sticking points in the legislation involving abortion and immigration remain unresolved. Senior Democratic House aides said the bill would likely include a version of the "public option" preferred by moderates and may

raise Medicaid eligibility levels to 150 percent of the federal poverty level for all adults, a steeper increase than in earlier drafts.

#### **ID IMMIGRANTS**

**VO :20**

Ten New Haven residents filed a lawsuit Wednesday accusing federal agents of violating their rights during an immigration raid they say was in retaliation for a city program that provided ID cards to foreigners in the country illegally -- the first of its kind in the nation. The sweeps in New Haven on June 6, 2007, came two days after the city approved issuing identification cards to all of its residents, regardless of immigration status. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials have denied that the early morning raids were retaliatory, saying planning began the year before.

#### **H1N1: 6 MILLION CASES**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:07**

Health officials think that as many as 5.7 million Americans were infected with swine flu during the first few months of the pandemic. Scientists at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that between 1.8 million and 5.7 million Americans were infected from April through July. The estimate is the CDC's most specific calculation to date. Officials had simply been saying millions have been infected. The estimate is in an article in a CDC publication called Emerging Infectious Diseases.

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**10/30/09**

#### **STIMULUS JOBS**

**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:57**

About 650,000 jobs have been saved or created under President Barack Obama's economic stimulus plan, the White House said Friday, saying the president's goal of 3.5 million jobs by the end of next year is on track. New job numbers from businesses, contractors, state and local governments, nonprofit groups and universities were scheduled to be released publicly later Friday. White House economic adviser Jared Bernstein said the figures will show that, when adding in jobs linked to \$288 billion in tax cuts, the stimulus plan has created or saved more than 1 million jobs.

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**10/31/09**

#### **H1N1 VACCINES**

**VO: 20**

Five drug companies are now increasing production of the vaccine for the H1N1 swine flu, and 10 million more doses are expected next week, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said Saturday.

#### **VACCINES FOR KIDS**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ- NUEVA YORK**

**PKG 2:16**

Vaccinations will continue at participating elementary schools for about eight weeks. Non-public schools that choose to participate in the city's H1N1 vaccination program will also receive doses during this period. In addition, weekend vaccination sites for middle-school and high-school students will be held in each borough in November.

**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME****VO: 15**

Say goodbye to the extra hour of evening daylight. The official change to standard time occurs at 2 a.m. Sunday, though most folks will change their clocks Saturday night and get an extra hour of sleep.

**HALLOWEEN TIPS****ANABEL MONGE- SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS****PKG 1:41**

There are many ways to keep your child safe at Halloween, when they are more prone to accidents and injuries. The excitement of children and adults at this time of year sometimes makes them forget to be careful. Simple common sense can do a lot to stop any tragedies from happening.

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**10/01/09**

**CENSUS CAMPAIGN  
LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:03**

U.S. Census Bureau Director Robert Groves joined prominent Latino groups, labor and faith leaders and leading national Spanish-language media partners today to outline a historic campaign to ensure a full and accurate 2010 Census count of the estimated 50 million Latinos living in the United States. Members of the coalition - called the Ya es Hora !HAGASE CONTAR! (It's Time, Make Yourself Count!) campaign - previewed a series of public service announcement that will begin airing today on major Spanish language media.

**IMMIGRANTS FIRING  
JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:15**

A clothing maker with a vast garment factory in downtown Los Angeles is firing about 1,800 immigrant employees in the coming days - more than a quarter of its workforce after a federal investigation turned up irregularities in the identity documents the workers presented when they were hired. The firings at the company, American Apparel, have become a showcase for the Obama administration's effort to reduce illegal immigration by forcing employers to dismiss unauthorized workers rather than through workplace raids.

**VACCINES  
VO: 16**

The largest U.S. supplier of seasonal flu vaccines says it's running behind on shipping vaccine for the regular, seasonal flu partly because of the crunch to produce millions of doses of the swine flu vaccine. The pharmaceutical company Sanofi Pasteur says it has shipped more than half of the 50 million doses of seasonal flu vaccine order by U.S. health care providers. But the French company has sent notices to customers indicating that additional doses may be delayed. Company spokeswoman Donna Cary says it could be November before some customers get the rest of their orders.

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**10/02/09**

**MORE UNEMPLOYMENT  
LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:01**

The unemployment rate has hit another 26-year-high. The Labor Department says 263-thousand jobs were lost last month, raising the unemployment rate to nine-point-eight percent. That's up one-tenth of a percent from August. Congress today is holding a joint economic committee meeting on the new numbers. Many economists have said there are signs the economy is growing again, but today's jobs report shows job losses could continue well into the recovery, limiting the strength of any economic turnaround.

**IMMIGRATION PLAN  
JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:03**

Although President Obama has put off an immigration overhaul until next year, the federal agency in charge of approving visas is planning ahead for the possibility of giving legal status to millions of illegal immigrants, the agency's director said Thursday. Obama has told immigration officials that a legalization program would be part of legislation the White House would propose, said Mr. Mayorkas, who became director in August. The agency's goal, he said, is to be ready to expand

rapidly to handle the gigantic increase in visa applications it would face if the legislation, known as comprehensive immigration reform, passed Congress.

**HEALTH CARE LATEST**  
**LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC**  
**PKG**

After a marathon session that ran well past midnight, the Senate Finance Committee on Friday passed a major milestone in its work on legislation to remake the health care system and provide coverage to millions of the uninsured. At 2:15 a.m., the committee completed work on the last of dozens of amendments to the bill, written by the panel's chairman, Senator Max Baucus Democrat of Montana. The committee plans to take a final vote on the legislation next week, after getting a cost estimate from the Congressional Budget Office Democratic leaders hope the full Senate will begin debate on the legislation.

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**10/03/09**

**6:30 & 11:30 PM**

**EE. UU. UNEMPLOYMENT**

**VO :24**

The nation's unemployment rate now stands at 9.8 percent after rising a tenth of a point. The Labor Department says employers cut 263,000 jobs. That was up from a revised August total of 201,000, and was considerably more than Wall Street economists had been expecting.

**HEALTHCARE REFORM WILL CREATE NEW EMPLOYEES**

**CRISTINA PUIG. MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG 2:26**

Administration officials say President Barack Obama is looking at ways to ease the burdens of laid-off workers, including possible extensions of unemployment and health benefits. With the jobless rate continuing to climb, the president said in his weekly radio and Internet address that he is exploring "additional options to promote job creation." Administration aides say the options include extending enhanced unemployment-insurance benefits beyond Dec. 31, when they are set to expire. Another option is to extend a tax credit for laid-off workers who buy health insurance through the COBRA program.

**ARPAIO MAY LOSE SOME IMMIGRANT AUTHORITY**

**ALEJANDRA ESPINOZA. PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

**PKG 1:27**

The controversial agreement that authorized Sheriff Joe Arpaio's deputies to act as federal immigration agents on the streets appears to have ended, Arpaio said late Friday afternoon. The sheriff said he signed a new agreement Friday that will allow deputies and detention officers to continue screening every inmate booked into Maricopa County jails to determine their immigration status. But he said federal authorities had not offered an agreement to extend Arpaio's street-level immigration enforcement.

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**10/04/09**

**6:30 & 11:30 PM**

**US VISA LOTTERY**

**VO :25**

Each year, the Diversity Lottery (DV) Program makes 55,000 immigrant visas available through a lottery to people who come from countries with low rates of immigration to the United States. Of such visas, 5,000 are allocated for use under NACARA beginning with DV '99. The State Department (DOS) holds the lottery every year, and randomly selects approximately 110,000 applicants from all qualified entries.

**FULL VACCINE**

**VO :24**

Days before the swine flu vaccine becomes available, more than half of U.S. adults say they will get the vaccine for themselves and 75 percent will get it for their children, according to a survey released Friday. Forty percent said they would not get the H1N1 vaccine, the team at the Harvard School of Public Health found. The survey conflicts with one published earlier this week by Consumer Reports showing only 35 percent of Americans would definitely have their children vaccinated. The Harvard researchers polled 1,042 U.S. adults for what they said was a representative sample of national opinion late last month.

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**10/05/09**

**US CENSUS**

**JAIME GARCIA- LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:03**

Only seven months shy from the start of Census 2010, the U.S. government has announced that it will not seek a halt to immigration raids as it did during the previous census. The Bush Administration rejected the bureau's request two years ago.

**H1N1 VACCINE**

**CECILIA RAMIREZ- MIAMI, FL**

**PKG 2:12**

Indiana and Tennessee are among the first states that will vaccinate people against the swine flu. Health officials in both states scheduled events Monday in Indianapolis and Memphis to administer nasal mist doses of the swine flu vaccine to doctors, nurses, emergency medical workers and other health care professionals who work directly with patients. Initial shipments of the nasal mist vaccine are so small that in most cases they're being reserved for health workers so the workers remain healthy and can care for and vaccinate others.

**MORE KIDS WITH AUTISM**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ/ NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:28**

Two new government studies indicate about 1 in 100 children have autism disorders -- higher than a previous U.S. estimate of 1 in 150. Greater awareness, broader definitions and spotting autism in younger children may explain some of the increase, federal health officials said. Figuring out how many children have autism is extremely difficult because diagnosis is based on a child's behavior, said Dr. Susan E. Levy of the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics subcommittee on autism.

**HEALTH COVERAGE**

**LUIS MEGID/SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:26**

The biggest news coming out of the study is that the average annual premiums for employer-sponsored health insurance topped \$13,000 this year for family coverage (\$13,375, to be exact), which is a 5% increase from last year's premiums. Since 1999, the average cost of family coverage has risen by 131%. The average annual premiums for single coverage rose by nearly 120% over the same period, to \$4,824 in 2009.

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**10/06/09**

**DETENTION CENTER CHANGES  
LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:13 & LIVER**

The United States, criticized for holding illegal immigrants in overcrowded and poorly run jails, Tuesday announced plans to convert hotels to detain some noncriminal immigrants. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano said illegal immigrants ranging from criminals to newly arrived asylum seekers would be held in different facilities according to the risk they pose. Referring to noncriminal such as newly arrived asylum seekers, Napolitano said, "We will begin efforts to house these populations near immigration service providers and pursue different options like converted hotels or residential facilities for their detention."

**LIFE IN DETENTION CENTERS  
JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:09**

The story talk about the things that many immigrants have gone trough in detentions center. In many cases not having medical treatment, legal advice and living in precarious conditions. Includes reactions from immigrants advocates or/and families of detainees.

**SWINE FLU LATEST  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK  
PKG 2:13**

The first batches of the H1N1/swine flu vaccine have arrived in New York city today and some other mayor cities of the country. Some of the first doses, which are of the nasal spray variety, will be administered to children and health care workers at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx. A spokesperson for Montefiore says all workers must be vaccinated by November 30th. The city is planning a massive vaccination program, and will soon offer the vaccine to all city school kids, free of charge. Health officials yesterday launched a test run for that vaccination program by administering doses of the seasonal flu shot. About 700 students at six schools are getting seasonal flu shots this week. Officials say the first day of tests went well.

**CA SINGLE GENDER SCHOOL  
VO :19**

The Los Angeles Unified School District cut the ribbon Monday on the first school to offer single-gender instruction. Boys and girls attend the Young Oak Kim Academy but they don't have classes together. Inside a new high-tech building, girls and boys are placed in separate classrooms, but students are allowed to mix during breaks

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**10/07/09**

**ARPAIO LOSES POWER  
VICTOR HUGO RODRIGUEZ / PHOENIX, ARIZONA  
PKG 2:13**

Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio has lost the power to arrest a person solely because of his or her immigration status but said he will continue conducting crime suppression sweeps that target illegal immigrants. Arpaio said the federal government has stripped the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office of the power to enforce federal immigration law in the field. Instead, the sheriff plans to use a state law to arrest illegal immigrants.

**SOCIAL SECURITY NO MATCH RULE**

**VO :23**

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) today formally issued a final rule rescinding the Social Security "no match" rule. The "no match" rule, which was never implemented, would have forced employers to fire workers based on discrepancies in their Social Security records. DHS first announced its plan to rescind the rule in July, and with today's publication of a final rule in the Federal Register, the rescission will go into effect in 30 days.

**SENATE HEALTH BILL \$829 BILLION****VO :21**

Health care legislation drafted by a key Senate committee would expand coverage to 94 percent of all eligible Americans at a 10-year cost of \$829 billion, congressional budget experts said Wednesday, a preliminary estimate trumpeted by the White House and likely to power the measure past a major hurdle within days. The Congressional Budget Office added that the legislation would reduce federal deficits by \$81 billion over a decade and probably lead to "continued reductions in federal" red ink in the years beyond.

**YOUTH VIOLENCE EPIDEMIC****LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:48**

US Attorney General Eric Holder and Education Secretary Arne Duncan made a trip to Chicago to meet with city leaders to discuss youth violence in the wake of the beating death of 16-year-old Derrion Albert. Holder says youth violence is an American problem and not just a Chicago problem. He says the nation was shocked at the violence on the video that captured Albert's fatal beating.

**IDENTITY THEFT RING BUST****JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:57**

According to AP the FBI is making dozens of arrests in the U.S. and overseas to crack an identity theft ring that victimized thousands of people. Laura Eimiller, an FBI spokeswoman in Los Angeles, says agents are making arrests Wednesday morning in Southern California, Nevada, North Carolina and overseas. They allegedly used computer intrusion and fraud to obtain personal information that allowed them to withdraw money from bank accounts. In "phishing," people answering an e-mail are directed to a bogus Web site where they are asked to update personal information, such as passwords and account numbers.

**AIRLINES ADD \$10 ON BUSY DAYS****VO :22**

Flying around the holidays is already more expensive and could get more so. Several big airlines have added \$10 surcharges for busy days around the holidays. Last month airlines added a \$10 each-way surcharge for Nov. 29 (the Sunday after Thanksgiving) and Jan. 2 and 3.

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**10/8/09****HEALTH CARE REFORM LATEST****LOURDES DEL RIO / WASHINGTON, DC****PKG 2:42**

Despite a report from the Congressional Budget Office that the plan would reduce federal deficits by \$81 billion over a decade, Republicans aren't ready to count on any savings from the health reform measure emerging from the Senate Finance Committee. Senate GOP leader Mitch McConnell says Democrats are going to fatten up that bill as it proceeds through Congress. He predicts that it will "never see the light of day." Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid has announced that the Finance Committee will vote Tuesday on the proposal that would expand coverage to 94 percent of eligible Americans, according to the Congressional Budget Office report.

**BLOOMBERG ON IMMIGRATION**  
**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK**  
**PKG 2:22**

Michael Bloomberg announces plan to support immigrants in the five boroughs. The mayor's plan will ensure that immigrants can contribute fully to our economy and are integrated into civic life, that the children of immigrants are properly educated, and policies to protect immigrants from exploitation. Bloomberg today unveiled a plan to better protect and assist immigrants living in the five boroughs. The announcement took place at the cuny graduate center in midtown in front of a mixed crowd of immigration advocates, community leaders, and ethnic media, many of whom are immigrants themselves.

**CREDIT CARD REFORM**  
**LUIS MEGID / SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**  
**PKG 1:49**

Rep. Barney Frank says Congress should move up the enactment date of its credit card reform bill to Dec. 1 because banks are raising rates on customers. Last spring, Frank helped push a bill through Congress that imposes strict new rules on lenders, including a limitation on when and how banks hike rates. Most of the rules will take effect in mid-February, a date set by Congress to give banks time to prepare for the changes.

**UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**  
**VO :22**

The House on Sept. 23 approved a bill that would extend benefits by up to 13 weeks for jobless workers living in 27 states, plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, that have unemployment rates of 8.5 percent or higher. A look at the states in the House measure as the Senate considers extending benefits to all 50 states.

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**10/09/09**

**MORE SWINE FLU CASES**  
**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**  
**PKG 2:00**

Health officials say swine flu activity is picking up, with 37 states now reporting widespread cases. Officials with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported Friday that the count is up from 27 states the previous week. The figures suggest a leveling off of flu activity the previous week may have been short-lived. Meanwhile, CDC officials say states have ordered 3.6 million doses of swine flu vaccine for a campaign that started this week.

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**10/10/09**

**6:30 & 11:30 SHOW**

**OBAMA HEALTH**  
**VO :28**

President Barack Obama said Saturday he's seeing "unprecedented consensus" behind overhauling health care, though he acknowledged continued partisan gridlock in Congress. The historic movement to bring real, meaningful health insurance reform to the American people gathered momentum this week as we approach the final days of this debate.

**UNEMPLOYMENT LATEST**  
**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:064**

Nonfarm payroll employment continued to decline in September (-263,000), and the unemployment rate 9.8% continued to trend up, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. The largest job losses were in construction, manufacturing, retail trade, and government. Household Survey Data Since the start of the recession in December 2007, the number of unemployed persons has increased by 7.6 million to 15.1 million, and the unemployment rate has doubled to 9.8 percent. Unemployment rates for the major worker groups--adult men 10.3%, adult women 7.8%, teenagers 25.9%, whites 9.0%, blacks (15.4 percent), and Hispanics 12.7%--showed little change in September.

**BORDER FENCE****VO :24**

A provision that would set up another 300 miles of tall fencing along the U.S.-Mexico border has been stripped from an appropriations bill. A Texas congressman says it represented "an unproductive and inefficient border security strategy" that is "out of touch with border needs." Seven border state congressmen asked the House leadership in July to strip the amendment from the final bill. As of the end of June, there were about 633 miles of pedestrian and vehicle barriers along the U.S.-Mexico border, which runs 2,100 miles. Many of the gaps in the fencing are in Texas, where landowners continue to fight the government.

**OBAMA "DONT ASK DONT TELL"****VO :24**

The climate for passing gay civil rights laws has never been better, but it could be a decade before another chance comes around, the highest-ranking openly gay official in the Obama administration said Friday. A House vote Thursday put Congress on the verge of significantly expanding hate crimes law to make it a federal crime to assault people because of their sexual orientation. Later this year, Congress is expected to hold hearings on a measure prohibiting workplace discrimination -- including decisions about hiring, firing and wages -- based on sexual orientation or gender identity.

**MEDITERRANEAN DIET****VO :20**

Mediterranean diet reduces depression, study suggests. Jetting to the sunny climes of the Mediterranean couldn't hurt if you feel a bout of depression settling in. But a new study in the Archives of General Psychiatry finds that if your aim is to minimize your risk of depression in the first place, you might stay right where you are and make your plate look like it's been to the Mediterranean. You should scale back on the meats and dairy fats, eat some nuts, and increase your consumption of fish, vegetables and legumes doused in olive oil.

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**10/11/09****6:30 & 11:30 SHOW****SWINE FLU LATEST****BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK****PKG 2:12**

A top U.S. health official says the risks from not getting the swine flu vaccine are greater than any potential risks associated with the vaccine. Dr. Anne Schuchat of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says she's surprised by all the misinformation going around about the new vaccine. She says a good safety record from past vaccines bodes well for the swine flu vaccine now becoming available. Schuchat says there's no problem associated with getting shots for both the swine flu and seasonal flu on the same day. But health officials recommend a three-week period between receiving the nasal versions of the vaccines.

**DC GAY RIGHT****VO :24**

Thousands of gay rights supporters have marched from the White House to the Capitol. They demanded that President Barack Obama keep his promises to allow gays to serve openly in the military and to work to end discrimination against gays. Rainbow flags and homemade signs dotted the crowds filling Pennsylvania Avenue in front of the White House. Many children were also among the demonstrators. A few counter-protesters had also joined the crowd.

**THE BEST INSURANCES****JULIE STAV. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:04**

In times of financial uncertainty the role of the brokerage industry becomes even more important to its clients. The global economic crisis has helped to reveal risk management shortcomings among many companies who are now looking to address the problem. However, with capital in short supply they are often looking to protect themselves without spending large sums of money or, at the very least ensure that they are getting value for money when they do spend. Against this backdrop Reactions has conducted a survey of the insurance industry to gauge its views on the US brokerage markets. We ran an online survey for three weeks to find out what our readers...

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**10/12/09****BILL TO RAISE INSURANCE****LOURDES DEL RIO / WASHINGTON, DC****PKG 2:18**

The health insurance industry is striking back against the Senate's current plan for health care reform claiming that the plan will not only fail to reduce costs but will actually increase the cost of coverage for the privately-insured by thousands of dollars a year. Over the weekend America's Health Insurance Plans, an industry trade group released to its members a analysis which projected that the current Senate legislation would cause premiums for families to increase by \$4000 by the year 2019. Sen. Baucus' spokesman defended the \$829 billion dollar overhaul plan casting doubt on the legitimacy of the new study claiming "it's a health insurance company hatchet job." The legislation faces a final Finance committee vote tomorrow.

**IMMIGRATION REFORM BILL PREVIEW****JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:03**

Hispanic lawmakers in the House are writing an immigration reform bill that will outline the minority community's position before the debate begins in Congress. The House and Senate are not expected to take up comprehensive immigration reform until next year, but those involved in writing the bill say the legislation being prepared by Rep. Luis Gutierrez, D-Ill., will lay down a marker on what is expected. Members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus are behind the effort to lay a legislative blueprint.

**CENSUS CITIES****VO :21**

With the 2010 census looming, major U.S. cities whose residents are at high risk of being missed are struggling with a shortage of money and manpower to prepare for an accurate count. A study by the Pew Charitable Trusts, released Monday, examined preparation efforts in 11 major cities. It found only five cities had committed public funds to census outreach -- Los Angeles, New York, Houston, Phoenix and Baltimore.

**US FOREIGNERS ON EXPIRED VISAS****VO :23**

Eight years after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and despite repeated mandates from Congress, the United States still has no reliable system for verifying that foreign visitors have left the country.

**US SWINE FLU LATEST**

**LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:59**

The rising swine flu death toll among children has reached disturbing heights. The H1N1 virus is blamed for the deaths of 19 children over the past week, a total of 76 overall, about the number which usually die in an entire flu season ending in May. The American Medical Association comes out with its own report focusing on two major themes: children, and how to handle a massive influx of patients if the virus runs out of control.

**CALIFORNIA WATER**

**VO :20**

California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and legislative leaders plan a seventh straight day of water negotiations today and the Legislature has been called into special session. Talks on how to address the state's deteriorating and inadequate water system ended late yesterday after nearly 12 hours, though leaders said they moved closer to a deal.

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**10/13/09**

**HEALTH CARE REFORM**

**LOURDES DEL RIO/WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:16**

Now that the Senate Finance Committee has approved its version of healthcare reform legislation, Senate Democratic leaders will merge it with a more liberal bill passed earlier by the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee.

**DIABETES STUDY**

**VO: 20 sec**

People who live in neighborhoods with safe sidewalks, ample parks, good public transportation and ready access to fresh fruits and vegetables are 38 percent less likely to develop diabetes than others, U.S. researchers said Monday. They said unlike a lot of other factors that influence diabetes, creating a healthy neighborhood is one thing policymakers can do to address the epidemic of diabetes, which costs the United States more than \$116 billion in medical expenses each year.

**IMMIGRATION REFORM**

**JAIME GARCIA/LOS ANGELES, CA**

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**LOURDES DEL RIO. MIAMI, FLORIDA**  
**PKG 2:09**

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**MORE FORECLOSURES**  
**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:20**

U.S. foreclosure filings climbed to a record in the third quarter as lenders seized more properties from delinquent borrowers, according to RealtyTrac Inc. A total of 937,840 homes received a default or auction notice or were repossessed by banks, a 23 percent increase from a year earlier, the Irvine, California-based seller of default data said today in a report. One out of every 136 U.S. households received a filing, the highest quarterly rate in records dating to January 2005. After all the Government plans to help people stay in their home foreclosures keep rising and banks are not doing enough loan modifications. She will also include the job loss and that 41 people were charged in mortgage fraud in NY

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**10/01/09**

### **CENSUS CAMPAIGN**

**LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:03**

U.S. Census Bureau Director Robert Groves joined prominent Latino groups, labor and faith leaders and leading national Spanish-language media partners today to outline a historic campaign to ensure a full and accurate 2010 Census count of the estimated 50 million Latinos living in the United States. Members of the coalition - called the Ya es Hora !HAGASE CONTAR! (It's Time, Make Yourself Count!) Campaign - previewed a series of public service announcement that will begin airing today on major Spanish language media.

### **IMMIGRANTS FIRING**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:15**

A clothing maker with a vast garment factory in downtown Los Angeles is firing about 1,800 immigrant employees in the coming days - more than a quarter of its workforce after a federal investigation turned up irregularities in the identity documents the workers presented when they were hired. The firings at the company, American Apparel, have become a showcase for the Obama administration's effort to reduce illegal immigration by forcing employers to dismiss unauthorized workers rather than through workplace raids.

### **FLU VACCINES**

**VO :16**

The largest U.S. supplier of seasonal flu vaccines says it's running behind on shipping vaccine for the regular, seasonal flu partly because of the crunch to produce millions of doses of the swine flu vaccine. The pharmaceutical company Sanofi Pasteur says it has shipped more than half of the 50 million doses of seasonal flu vaccine order by U.S. health care providers. But the French company has sent notices to customers indicating that additional doses may be delayed. Company spokeswoman Donna Cary says it could be November before some customers get the rest of their orders.

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**10/02/09**

### **MORE UNEMPLOYMENT**

**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:01**

The unemployment rate has hit another 26-year-high. The Labor Department says 263-thousand jobs were lost last month, raising the unemployment rate to

nine-point-eight percent. That's up one-tenth of a percent from August. Congress today is holding a joint economic committee meeting on the new numbers. Many economists have said there are signs the economy is growing again, but today's jobs report shows job losses could continue well into the recovery, limiting the strength of any economic turnaround.

#### **IMMIGRATION PLAN**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:03**

Although President Obama has put off an immigration overhaul until next year, the federal agency in charge of approving visas is planning ahead for the possibility of giving legal status to millions of illegal immigrants, the agency's director said Thursday. Obama has told immigration officials that a legalization program would be part of legislation the White House would propose, said Mr. Mayorkas, who became director in August. The agency's goal, he said, is to be ready to expand rapidly to handle the gigantic increase in visa applications it would face if the legislation, known as comprehensive immigration reform, passed Congress.

#### **HEALTH CARE LATEST**

**LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG**

After a marathon session that ran well past midnight, the Senate Finance Committee on Friday passed a major milestone in its work on legislation to remake the health care system and provide coverage to millions of the uninsured. At 2:15 a.m., the committee completed work on the last of dozens of amendments to the bill, written by the panel's chairman, Senator Max Baucus Democrat of Montana. The committee plans to take a final vote on the legislation next week, after getting a cost estimate from the Congressional Budget Office Democratic leaders hope the full Senate will begin debate on the legislation.

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**10/03/09**

#### **US UNEMPLOYMENT**

**VO :24**

The nation's unemployment rate now stands at 9.8 percent after rising a tenth of a point. The Labor Department says employers cut 263,000 jobs. That was up from a revised August total of 201,000, and was considerably more than Wall Street economists had been expecting.

#### **HEALTHCARE REFORM WILL CREATE NEW EMPLOYES**

**CRISTINA PUIG. MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG 2:26**

Administration officials say President Barack Obama is looking at ways to ease the burdens of laid-off workers, including possible extensions of unemployment and health benefits. With the jobless rate continuing to climb, the president said in his weekly radio and Internet address that he is exploring "additional options to promote job creation." Administration aides say the options include extending enhanced unemployment-insurance benefits beyond Dec. 31, when they are set to expire. Another option is to extend a tax credit for laid-off workers who buy health insurance through the COBRA program.

#### **ARPAIO MAY LOOSE SOME IMMIGRANT AUTHORITY**

**ALEJANDRA ESPINOZA. PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

**PKG 1:27**

The controversial agreement that authorized Sheriff Joe Arpaio's deputies to act as federal immigration agents on the streets appears to have ended, Arpaio said late Friday afternoon. The sheriff said he signed a new agreement Friday that will allow deputies and detention officers to continue screening every inmate booked into Maricopa County jails to determine their immigration status. But he said federal authorities had not offered an agreement to extend Arpaio's street-level immigration enforcement.

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**10/04/09**

#### **US VISA LOTTERY**

**VO :25**

Each year, the Diversity Lottery (DV) Program makes 55,000 immigrant visas available through a lottery to people who come from countries with low rates of immigration to the United States. Of such visas, 5,000 are allocated for use under NACARA beginning with DV '99. The State Department (DOS) holds the lottery every year, and randomly selects approximately 110,000 applicants from all qualified entries.

#### **FULL VACCINE**

**VO :24**

Days before the swine flu vaccine becomes available, more than half of U.S. adults say they will get the vaccine for themselves and 75 percent will get it for their children, according to a survey released Friday. Forty percent said they would not get the H1N1 vaccine, the team at the Harvard School of Public Health found. The survey conflicts with one published earlier this week by Consumer Reports showing only 35 percent of Americans would definitely have their children vaccinated. The Harvard researchers polled 1,042 U.S. adults for what they said was a representative sample of national opinion late last month.

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**10/05/09**

**US CENSUS**

**PKG 2:03 JAIME GARCIA- LOS ANGELES, CA**

Only seven months shy from the start of Census 2010, the U.S. government has announced that it will not seek a halt to immigration raids as it did during the previous census. The Bush Administration rejected the bureau's request two years ago.

**H1N1 VACCINE**

**PKG 2:12 CECILIA RAMIREZ- MIAMI, FL**

Indiana and Tennessee are among the first states that will vaccinate people against the swine flu. Health officials in both states scheduled events Monday in Indianapolis and Memphis to administer nasal mist doses of the swine flu vaccine to doctors, nurses, emergency medical workers and other health care professionals who work directly with patients. Initial shipments of the nasal mist vaccine are so small that in most cases they're being reserved for health workers so the workers remain healthy and can care for and vaccinate others.

**MORE KIDS WITH AUTISM**

**PKG 2:28 BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ/ NEW YORK**

Two new government studies indicate about 1 in 100 children have autism disorders -- higher than a previous U.S. estimate of 1 in 150. Greater awareness, broader definitions and spotting autism in younger children may explain some of the increase, federal health officials said. Figuring out how many children have autism is extremely difficult because diagnosis is based on a child's behavior, said Dr. Susan E. Levy of the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics subcommittee on autism.

**HEALTH COVERAGE**

**PKG 2:26 LUIS MEGID/SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

The biggest news coming out of the study is that the average annual premiums for employer-sponsored health insurance topped \$13,000 this year for family coverage (\$13,375, to be exact), which is a 5% increase from last year's premiums. Since 1999, the average cost of family coverage has risen by 131%. The average annual premiums for single coverage rose by nearly 120% over the same period, to \$4,824 in 2009.

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**10/06/09**

**DETENTION CENTER CHANGES**

**LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:13 & LIVER**

The United States, criticized for holding illegal immigrants in overcrowded and poorly run jails, Tuesday announced plans to convert hotels to detain some noncriminal immigrants. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano said illegal immigrants ranging from criminals to newly arrived asylum seekers would be held in different facilities according to the risk they pose. Referring to noncriminals such as newly arrived asylum seekers, Napolitano said, "We will begin efforts to house these populations near immigration service providers and pursue different options like converted hotels or residential facilities for their detention."

**LIFE IN DETENTION CENTERS**  
**JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:09**

The story talk about the things that many immigrants have gone trough in detentions center. In many cases not having medical treatment, legal advice and living in precarious conditions. Includes reactions from immigrants advocates or/and families of detainees.

**SWINE FLU LATEST**  
**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:13**

The first batches of the H1N1/swine flu vaccine have arrived in New York city today and some other mayor cities of the country. Some of the first doses, which are of the nasal spray variety, will be administered to children and health care workers at Montefiore Medical Center in the Bronx.

A spokesperson for Montefiore says all workers must be vaccinated by November 30th. The city is planning a massive vaccination program, and will soon offer the vaccine to all city school kids, free of charge. Health officials yesterday launched a test run for that vaccination program by administering doses of the seasonal flu shot. About 700 students at six schools are getting seasonal flu shots this week. Officials say the first day of tests went well.

**CA SINGLE GENDER SCHOOL**

**VO :19**

The Los Angeles Unified School District cut the ribbon Monday on the first school to offer single-gender instruction. Boys and girls attend the Young Oak Kim Academy but they don't have classes together. Inside a new high-tech building, girls and boys are placed in separate classrooms, but students are allowed to mix during breaks. The magnet school focuses on science, technology, engineering and math. The school has been in session for about a month, but the official opening was celebrated Monday. The concept of the sex-segregated classes stems from studies, cited by administrators, showing middle school students process information differently and are easily distracted in a mixed gender environment.

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**10/07/09**

**ARPAIO LOSES POWER**

**VICTOR HUGO RODRIGUEZ / PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

**PKG 2:13**

Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio has lost the power to arrest a person solely because of his or her immigration status but said he will continue conducting crime suppression sweeps that target illegal immigrants. Arpaio said the federal government has stripped the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office of the power to enforce federal immigration law in the field. Instead, the sheriff plans to use a state law to arrest illegal immigrants.

**SOCIAL SECURITY NO MATCH RULE**

**VO :23**

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) today formally issued a final rule rescinding the Social Security "no match" rule. The "no match" rule, which was never implemented, would have forced employers to fire workers based on discrepancies in their Social Security records. DHS first announced its plan to rescind the rule in July, and with today's publication of a final rule in the Federal Register, the rescission will go into effect in 30 days.

**SENATE HEALTH BILL \$829 BILLION**

**VO :21**

Health care legislation drafted by a key Senate committee would expand coverage to 94 percent of all eligible Americans at a 10-year cost of \$829 billion, congressional budget experts said Wednesday, a preliminary estimate trumpeted by the White House and likely to power the measure past a major hurdle within days. The Congressional Budget Office added that the legislation would reduce federal deficits by \$81 billion over a decade and probably lead to "continued reductions in federal" red ink in the years beyond.

**YOUTH VIOLENCE EPIDEMIC**

**LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:48**

US Attorney General Eric Holder and Education Secretary Arne Duncan made a trip to Chicago to meet with city leaders to discuss youth violence in the wake of the beating death of 16-year-old Derrion Albert. Holder says youth violence is an American problem and not just a Chicago problem. He says the nation was shocked at the violence on the video that captured Albert's fatal beating.

**IDENTITY THEFT RING BUST**

**JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:57**

According to AP the FBI is making dozens of arrests in the U.S. and overseas to crack an identity theft ring that victimized thousands of people. Laura Eimiller, an FBI spokeswoman in Los Angeles, says agents are making arrests Wednesday morning in Southern California, Nevada, North Carolina and overseas. They allegedly used computer intrusion and fraud to obtain personal information that allowed them to withdraw money from bank accounts. In "phishing," people answering an e-mail are directed to a bogus Web site where they are asked to update personal information, such as passwords and account numbers.

**AIRLINES ADD \$10 ON BUSY DAYS****VO :22**

Flying around the holidays is already more expensive and could get more so. Several big airlines have added \$10 surcharges for busy days around the holidays. Last month airlines added a \$10 each-way surcharge for Nov. 29 (the Sunday after Thanksgiving) and Jan. 2 and 3.

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**10/8/09****HEALTH CARE REFORM LATEST  
LOURDES DEL RIO / WASHINGTON, DC****PKG 2:42**

Despite a report from the Congressional Budget Office that the plan would reduce federal deficits by \$81 billion over a decade, Republicans aren't ready to count on any savings from the health reform measure emerging from the Senate Finance Committee. Senate GOP leader Mitch McConnell says Democrats are going to fatten up that bill as it proceeds through Congress. He predicts that it will "never see the light of day." Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid has announced that the Finance Committee will vote Tuesday on the proposal that would expand coverage to 94 percent of eligible Americans, according to the Congressional Budget Office report.

**BLOOMBERG ON IMMIGRATION  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK****PKG 2:22**

Michael Bloomberg announces plan to support immigrants in the five boroughs. The mayor's plan will ensure that immigrants can contribute fully to our economy and are integrated into civic life, that the children of immigrants are properly educated, and policies to protect immigrants from exploitation. Bloomberg today unveiled a plan to better protect and assist immigrants living in the five boroughs. The announcement took place at the cuny graduate center in midtown in front of a mixed crowd of immigration advocates, community leaders, and ethnic media, many of whom are immigrants themselves.

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**10/09/09**

**MORE SWINE FLU CASES  
LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:00**

Health officials say swine flu activity is picking up, with 37 states now reporting widespread cases. Officials with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported Friday that the count is up from 27 states the previous week. The figures suggest a leveling off of flu activity the previous week may have been short-lived. Meanwhile, CDC officials say states have ordered 3.6 million doses of swine flu vaccine for a campaign that started this week.

**CREDIT CARD REFORM  
LUIS MEGID / SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 1:49**

Rep. Barney Frank says Congress should move up the enactment date of its credit card reform bill to Dec. 1 because banks are raising rates on customers. Last spring, Frank helped push a bill through Congress that imposes strict new rules on lenders, including a limitation on when and how banks hike rates. Most of the rules will take effect in mid-February, a date set by Congress to give banks time to prepare for the changes.

**UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

**VO :22**

The House on Sept. 23 approved a bill that would extend benefits by up to 13 weeks for jobless workers living in 27 states, plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, that have unemployment rates of 8.5 percent or higher. A look at the states in the House measure as the Senate considers extending benefits to all 50 states.

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**OBAMA HEALTH  
VO :28**

President Barack Obama said Saturday he's seeing "unprecedented consensus" behind overhauling health care, though he acknowledged continued partisan gridlock in Congress. "The historic movement to bring real, meaningful health insurance reform to the American people gathered momentum this week as we approach the final days of this debate," Obama said Saturday in his weekly radio and Internet video address. The consensus "includes everyone from doctors and nurses to hospitals and drug manufacturers" -- even Republican governors and

former GOP lawmakers, Obama said. Obama's consensus, however, does not extend to congressional Republicans. GOP senators remain united in their opposition to the Democrats' health care package, as are most Republicans in the House.

**UNEMPLOYMENT LATEST**  
**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**  
**PKG 2:064**

Nonfarm payroll employment continued to decline in September (-263,000), and the unemployment rate 9.8% continued to trend up, the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported today. The largest job losses were in construction, manufacturing, retail trade, and government. Household Survey Data Since the start of the recession in December 2007, the number of unemployed persons has increased by 7.6 million to 15.1 million, and the unemployment rate has doubled to 9.8 percent. Unemployment rates for the major worker groups--adult men 10.3% , adult women 7.8%, teenagers 25.9%, whites 9.0%, blacks (15.4 percent), and Hispanics 12.7%--showed little change in September.

**BORDER FENCE**  
**VO :24**

A provision that would set up another 300 miles of tall fencing along the U.S.-Mexico border has been stripped from an appropriations bill. A Texas congressman says it represented "an unproductive and inefficient border security strategy" that is "out of touch with border needs." Seven border state congressmen asked the House leadership in July to strip the amendment from the final bill. As of the end of June, there were about 633 miles of pedestrian and vehicle barriers along the U.S.-Mexico border, which runs 2,100 miles. Many of the gaps in the fencing are in Texas, where landowners continue to fight the government.

**OBAMA "DONT ASK DONT TELL"**  
**VO :24**

The climate for passing gay civil rights laws has never been better, but it could be a decade before another chance comes around, the highest-ranking openly gay official in the Obama administration said Friday. A House vote Thursday put Congress on the verge of significantly expanding hate crimes law to make it a federal crime to assault people because of their sexual orientation. Later this year, Congress is expected to hold hearings on a measure prohibiting workplace discrimination -- including decisions about hiring, firing and wages -- based on sexual orientation or gender identity.

**MEDITERRANEAN DIET**  
**VO :20**

Mediterranean diet reduces depression, study suggests. Jetting to the sunny climes of the Mediterranean couldn't hurt if you feel a bout of depression settling in. But a new study in the Archives of General Psychiatry finds that if your aim is

to minimize your risk of depression in the first place, you might stay right where you are and make your plate look like it's been to the Mediterranean. You should scale back on the meats and dairy fats, eat some nuts, and increase your consumption of fish, vegetables and legumes doused in olive oil.

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**10/11/09**

**SWINE FLU LATEST  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK  
PKG 2:12**

A top U.S. health official says the risks from not getting the swine flu vaccine are greater than any potential risks associated with the vaccine. Dr. Anne Schuchat of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says she's surprised by all the misinformation going around about the new vaccine. She says a good safety record from past vaccines bodes well for the swine flu vaccine now becoming available. Schuchat says there's no problem associated with getting shots for both the swine flu and seasonal flu on the same day. But health officials recommend a three-week period between receiving the nasal versions of the vaccines.

**DC GAY RIGHT  
VO :24**

Thousands of gay rights supporters have marched from the White House to the Capitol. They demanded that President Barack Obama keep his promises to allow gays to serve openly in the military and to work to end discrimination against gays. Rainbow flags and homemade signs dotted the crowds filling Pennsylvania Avenue in front of the White House. Many children were also among the demonstrators. A few counter-protesters had also joined the crowd.

**THE BEST INSURANCES  
JULIE STAV. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:04**

In times of financial uncertainty the role of the brokerage industry becomes even more important to its clients. The global economic crisis has helped to reveal risk management shortcomings among many companies who are now looking to address the problem. However, with capital in short supply they are often looking to protect themselves without spending large sums of money or, at the very least ensure that they are getting value for money when they do spend. Against this backdrop Reactions has conducted a survey of the insurance industry to gauge its views on the US brokerage markets. We ran an online survey for three weeks to find out what our readers...

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**10/12/09**

**BILL TO RAISE INSURANCE  
LOURDES DEL RIO / WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:18**

The health insurance industry is striking back against the Senate's current plan for health care reform claiming that the plan will not only fail to reduce costs but will actually increase the cost of coverage for the privately-insured by thousands of dollars a year. Over the weekend America's Health Insurance Plans, an industry trade group, released to its members a PricewaterhouseCoopers analysis which projected that the current Senate legislation would cause premiums for families to increase by \$4000 by the year 2019. Sen. Baucus' spokesman defended the \$829 billion dollar overhaul plan casting doubt on the legitimacy of the new study claiming "it's a health insurance company hatchet job." The legislation faces a final Finance committee vote tomorrow.

**IMMIGRATION REFORM BILL PREVIEW  
JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 2:03**

Hispanic lawmakers in the House are writing an immigration reform bill that will outline the minority community's position before the debate begins in Congress. The House and Senate are not expected to take up comprehensive immigration reform until next year, but those involved in writing the bill say the legislation being prepared by Rep. Luis Gutierrez, D-Ill., will lay down a marker on what is expected. Members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus are behind the effort to lay a legislative blueprint.

**CENSUS CITIES  
VO :21**

With the 2010 census looming, major U.S. cities whose residents are at high risk of being missed are struggling with a shortage of money and manpower to prepare for an accurate count. A study by the Pew Charitable Trusts, released Monday, examined preparation efforts in 11 major cities. It found only five cities had committed public funds to census outreach -- Los Angeles, New York, Houston, Phoenix and Baltimore.

**US FOREIGNERS ON EXPIRED VISAS  
VO :23**

Eight years after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and despite repeated mandates from Congress, the United States still has no reliable system for verifying that foreign visitors have left the country.

**US SWINE FLU LATEST  
LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 1:59**

The rising swine flu death toll among children has reached disturbing heights. The H1N1 virus is blamed for the deaths of 19 children over the past week, a total of 76 overall, about the number which usually die in an entire flu season ending in May. The American Medical Association comes out with its own report focusing on two major themes: children, and how to handle a massive influx of patients if the virus runs out of control.

#### **CA WATER**

**VO :20**

California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and legislative leaders plan a seventh straight day of water negotiations today and the Legislature has been called into special session. Talks on how to address the state's deteriorating and inadequate water system ended late yesterday after nearly 12 hours, though leaders said they moved closer to a deal.

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**10/13/09**

#### **HEALTH CARE REFORM**

**LOURDES DEL RIO/WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:16**

Now that the Senate Finance Committee has approved its version of healthcare reform legislation, Senate Democratic leaders will merge it with a more liberal bill passed earlier by the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee.

#### **DIABETES STUDY**

**VO: 20 sec**

People who live in neighborhoods with safe sidewalks, ample parks, good public transportation and ready access to fresh fruits and vegetables are 38 percent less likely to develop diabetes than others, U.S. researchers said Monday. They said unlike a lot of other factors that influence diabetes, creating a healthy neighborhood is one thing policymakers can do to address the epidemic of diabetes, which costs the United States more than \$116 billion in medical expenses each year.

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**MORE FORECLOSURES  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK  
PKG 2:20**

U.S. foreclosure filings climbed to a record in the third quarter as lenders seized more properties from delinquent borrowers, according to RealtyTrac Inc. A total of 937,840 homes received a default or auction notice or were repossessed by banks, a 23 percent increase from a year earlier, the Irvine, California-based seller of default data said today in a report. One out of every 136 U.S. households received a filing, the highest quarterly rate in records dating to January 2005. After all the Government plans to help people stay in their home foreclosures keep rising and banks are not doing enough loan modifications. She will also include the job loss and that 41 people were charged in mortgage fraud in NY

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**IMMIGRANT ENFORCEMENT  
LOURDES DEL RIO. WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:20**

The Homeland Security Department says it has completed agreements with 55 state and law enforcement agencies to help arrest and deport immigration violators. But one of those agreements would limit Maricopa County, Ariz., Sheriff Joe Arpaio and his deputies to checking only the immigration status of jail inmates. Arpaio is the subject of a Justice Department investigation triggered by complaints of racial profiling. Arpaio denies the allegations. Immigration and Customs Enforcement operates the controversial program. The Obama administration altered it after complaints of abuses and mismanagement. Six agencies did not renew the agreements after the changes.

**MORE ARPAIO RAIDS**

**VICTOR HUGO RODRIGUEZ. PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

**PKG 2:00**

Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio has launched a crime and immigration sweep in the Phoenix area, less than a day after officials in Washington limited his powers to make federal immigration arrests. The federal government stripped the controversial Arpaio of his power to let 100 deputies make such arrests but renewed another deal that lets 60 jails officers determine the immigration status of people in jail. The sweeps Friday in some heavily Latino areas have drawn criticism that Arpaio's deputies racially profile people, a charge that the sheriff denies. Arpaio says his deputies can still detain illegal immigrants as long as they are turned over to federal authorities within a day or two.

**MORE DEADS FOR FLU**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK**

**PKG 1:49**

The swine flu is causing an unprecedented amount of illness for so early in the fall -- and federal health officials said Friday that 11 more children have died in the past week. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says about half of the child deaths since September have been among teenagers. And overall for the country, deaths from pneumonia and flu-like illnesses have passed what CDC considers an epidemic level. About 6 percent of all doctor visits are for flu-like illnesses, levels not normally seen until later in the fall. Also the vaccination has been slow because the production of so many takes time.

**FORECLOSURES AND CENSUS**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:01**

The Census Bureau director says foreclosures will make it tougher and more expensive to get an accurate count of families next year. Director Robert Groves said Tuesday in Los Angeles that he expects some questionnaires will land at empty homes in areas hard hit by the housing crisis. That means workers will need to make more door-to-door visits, which costs more money. Groves also says his agency will need to focus on reaching out to people who are newly homeless and to families who have doubled up with relatives until they can get back on their feet. Groves says the Census Bureau will address the problem by

mailing replacement forms, using a shorter questionnaire and sending bilingual forms to some areas.

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**10/17/09**

**H1N1 NO TOUCHING  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK  
PKG 2:24**

Hospitals, churches, firehouses and even taxi companies are loading up on hand sanitizer, changing behavior and taking other steps to prevent the spread of swine flu. Bottles of hand sanitizer are within sight of passengers in all 16 taxis operated by Yellow Cab of Iowa City. When people filed into Church of Our Saviour on Sunday in Cocoa Beach, Fla., they bumped fists with priest Sean Heslin instead of shaking hands. Many workplaces and other spots where people gather urge hand-sanitizer use and frequent hand washing.

**OBAMA HEALTHCARE  
VO: 20**

President Barack Obama is pushing back against critics of his health care plan. In his weekly radio and Internet address, Obama warns that costs will continue to rise and eventually devastate the U.S. economy without reform. Earlier this week, the health insurance industry released a study claiming that the bill passed by the Senate Finance Committee would raise premiums for millions of people who already have health coverage. Obama says the report is "designed to mislead the American people" and accused the industry of "filling the airwaves with deceptive and dishonest ads"

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**10/18/09**

**POLICE IMMIGRATION REPORT  
PEDRO ROJAS. HOUSTON, TEXAS  
PKG 2:18**

Some state and local police are having second thoughts about working with the federal government to enforce immigration laws. Under what's known as the 287(g) program, agencies sign a voluntary agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and are trained to check legal status of prisoners and crime suspects, and to initiate deportations. The contract can specify enforcement in jail, in the community or both. Several police agencies have complained that new rules set by the Obama administration would cost too much time and money and, in some cases, damage their relationship with immigrants.

**OBAMA HEALTH**

**VO: 21**

Top White House advisers Valerie Jarrett and David Axelrod are saying President Barack Obama still believes a government-run health care option would best meet his reform goals. But they say he's not demanding that it be in the overhaul legislation. The White House and lawmakers are trying to blend five versions of health care legislation into something that will pass Congress. But the House and Senate are deeply at odds over the "public option" idea. Jarrett says Obama believes the public plan is still the "best possible choice," but he's not demanding it. Axelrod says opposition by both Republicans and some Democrats to the idea means "we have to work through these issues."

**FAKE FLU DRUGS****VO: 21**

A New York congressman has issued a warning about con artists selling fake flu drugs online. Democrat Anthony Weiner says people may be so worried about the swine flu outbreak and what officials say is a temporary vaccine shortage, that they'll take a risk buying drugs online without thinking about it. He says his office easily found sites selling fake flu drugs. Weiner says FDA investigators saw some that turned out to be acetaminophen, the active ingredient in the over-the-counter pain killer Tylenol. Weiner says buyers need to be sure an online site is legitimate and requires a prescription.

**NM DRIVER THRU VACCINE****VO: 24**

Concern about H1N1 flu may be taking over the minds of many, but the seasonal flu can be very serious and deadly as well. To keep New Mexicans healthy, U-N-M Health Services is offering free flu shots at clinics each weekend from now until Thanksgiving time. Plenty of people took advantage without leaving the comfort of their cars. Directing the heavy flow of traffic at the U-N-M drive-thru flu clinic is a busy job. As car after car drove up, nurses worked efficiently, vaccinating as many people as possible. Drive-thru clinics are great for people who have trouble getting around. Hospital officials advise getting your shot as soon as possible.

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**10/19/09****H1N1 LATEST****FERNANDO PIZARRO / WASHINGTON, DC****PKG 1:49**

The pandemic H1N1 flu virus was confirmed for the first time Monday in a U.S. hog, which was exhibited at the Minnesota State Fair where four teenagers became sick, the Agriculture Department said Monday. USDA said the discovery does not suggest infection of commercial pig herds raised for slaughter. Health

officials say the virus, originally known as swine flu, is not linked to meat products.

### **OPERATION STREAMLINE**

**VO :20**

Victims of immigration raids held a news conference to report what they call the abusive treatment of victims who were arrested under the Operation Streamline Program, which orders criminal charges against anyone who crosses the border without proper documents.

### **NEW MEDICAL MARIHUANA**

**JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:15**

A new Obama administration policy loosening guidelines on federal prosecution of medical marijuana on Monday signaled to users that they had less to fear from federal agents but still left their suppliers to contend with a tangled mesh of state laws and regulations. The Justice Department told federal prosecutors that targeting people who use or provide medical marijuana in strict compliance with state laws was not a good use of their time.

### **MORTGAGE HELP**

**VO :20**

Home buyers, as well as renters, could benefit from a program being unveiled today by the Obama administration. Officials say the goal is to provide hundreds of thousands of affordable mortgages for working families, and to allow the development or rehabilitation of tens of thousands of affordable rental properties. The program will operate under a law passed last year to bolster the housing industry. It will feature two parts -- a new bond purchase program to support new lending by housing finance agencies and a temporary credit and liquidity program to improve access by housing agencies to credit sources for their existing bonds.

### **RAISING SCHOLARSHIP MONEY**

**LUIS MEGID/ BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:09**

Catalino Tapia arrived in America from Mexico at the age of 20 with six dollars in his pocket and a sixth grade education. He worked hard, eventually starting his own gardening business to support his wife and two sons. His proudest moment came when his son graduated from UC Berkeley law school. It was also pivotal. Tapia decided that more young Latinos should have the chance to reach the same heights. He launched the Bay Area Gardeners' Foundation, a nonprofit comprised of area gardeners that provide scholarships to low-income Latinos. Tapia and his fellow gardeners asked their employers and local businesses to donate to the fund, and they raised \$250,000 in the first two years. In 2007, they awarded grants to 18 students, who were all from low-income families, had a desire to go to college, and had at least a 2.5 grade point average. Recipients

also pledge to give 20 hours of community service for each year they receive scholarship funds.

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**10/20/09**

**HEALTHCARE POLL  
LOURDES MELUZA / WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:03**

A new poll suggests more and more Americans are worried about losing their current health care coverage. As the health care debate nears the floor of the Senate, the poll from the nonpartisan Robert Wood Johnson Foundation finds conflicting views on whether an overhaul will help, make things worse or do nothing. The September poll also finds Americans are following the health care debate in Congress. About one-third of respondents say they're worried about losing current coverage in the next 12 months. That's a slight increase from 29 percent in August. The share who say they're worried has gone up by 11 percentage points since spring. Forty percent of young adults surveyed say they're concerned, but even 29 percent of seniors say they're worried, despite having taxpayer-subsidized coverage through Medicare.

**OBAMA SMALL BUSINESSES  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ / NEW YORK  
PKG 2:09**

President Barack Obama is expected to announce a series of initiatives Wednesday aimed at boosting credit to small businesses, an administration official said, as the White House tries to address a thorny problem which many believe is a continuing drag on the economy. The White House will move to increase the caps on existing Small Business Administration loans. It will also include measures to make it easier for small banks to access funds from the Troubled Asset Relief Program. The Obama administration has struggled to figure out what to do for small businesses and has spent months trying to get its initial program off the ground.

**IMMIGRATION LAWSUIT  
LOURDES DEL RIO / MIAMI, FL  
PKG 2:34**

A Miami lawyer will be filing a lawsuit against Immigration because they deported the husband of one of his clients that was here under TPS. ICE deported him because he had a previous order of deportation but the lawyer says that they have made a mistake and that is why they are suing.

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**10/21/09**

**CANCER SOCIETY HAS CONCERN ON SCREENINGS****LOURDES DEL RIO. MIAMI, FLORIDA****PKG 1:54**

It is quietly working on a message, to put on its Web site early next year, to emphasize that screening for breast and prostate cancer and certain other cancers can come with a real risk of overtreating many small cancers while missing cancers that are deadly. Prostate cancer screening has long been problematic. The cancer society, which with more than two million volunteers is one of the nation's largest voluntary health agencies, does not advocate testing for all men.

**SAN FRANCISCO SUPES APPROVE NEW IMMIGRATION POLICY****LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 1:43**

Undocumented youths arrested on felony charges in San Francisco would have to be convicted before police could turn them over to federal immigration officials under a new policy approved by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. The supervisors voted Tuesday to overturn an existing ordinance that allows police to hand over juvenile illegal immigrants after they have been arrested on felony charge. The supervisors' 8-2 vote is enough to override an expected veto from Mayor Gavin Newsom.

**SMALL BUSSINESS BAILOUT****LOURDES MELUZA. VIRGINIA****PKG 2:04**

President Barack Obama is set to unveil plans to refocus spending of the government's \$700 billion financial bailout away from big financial institutions and toward small businesses. The White House says the initiatives will make it easier for smaller community banks to provide credit to small businesses, which have been hard-hit by the financial crisis. The president's plan also includes a request that Congress increase caps for existing Small Business Administration loans.

**H1N1 LATEST****JAIME GARCIA . LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:14**

New numbers from the government say that young people, age 24 and under, have been hit the hardest by the H1N1 virus, and doubts and fears abound as we head into flu season. Is the U.S. prepared for a potential outbreak? On Wednesday morning members of the Obama administration head to Capitol Hill to help set the record straight. Education Secretary Arne Duncan, Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano and Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius are among those set to testify.

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**10/22/09**

**H1N1 VACCINES**

**JAIMA GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:15**

As the H1N1 virus continues to spread nationwide, a majority of those surveyed -- 52 percent -- now say they are "a great deal" or "somewhat" worried that they or someone in their household will be infected with it, up from 39 percent of those polled in August. Concern is rising fastest among young adults, one of the groups most vulnerable to the virus. In August, just 26 percent of those ages 18 to 29 said they were concerned; now 47 percent are worried. At the same time, however, many Americans are hesitant about being vaccinated or having their children inoculated. More than six in 10 say they will not get vaccinated, and only 52 percent of parents say they plan to have their children vaccinated, even though parents tend to be more worried about the flu.

**EXECUTIVES CUT PAY**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK**

**PKG 1:54**

The Obama administration plans to order companies that received huge government bailouts last year to sharply cut the compensation of their highest paid executives, according to a person familiar with the decision. The seven companies that received the most assistance will have to cut the annual salaries of their 25 highest-paid executive by an average of about 90 percent from last year, said the person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because it has not been announced. This person said Wednesday that the Treasury Department will announce the deep pay cuts within the next few days.

**GAYS ADDED TO HATE CRIME**

**VO :20**

Gays who are physically assaulted because of their sexual orientation receive new federal hate crime protections under legislation heading for President Barack Obama's signature. With a Senate vote on Thursday, Congress has approved a measure that expands current law to include crimes based on gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or disability. That's one of the most significant expansions of the law since it was enacted after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. in 1968.

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**10/23/09**

**HATE CRIME LEGISLATION**

**LOURDES MELUZA. WAHINGTON, DC**

**PKG :22**

Legislation that would extend hate-crimes protection to gays and lesbians cleared the U.S. Congress Thursday as part of a compromise bill that sets the Pentagon's budget. The bill now heads to the White House, where President Obama will sign it into law or reject it because it approves weapons systems that the Pentagon does not want. It passed the Senate by a vote of 68 to 29. The House approved it on Oct. 8.

### **NY LIFTS MANDATORY VACCINES**

**VO :27**

New York Governor David A. Paterson announced Thursday evening that the State Health Commissioner Richard F. Daines, M.D. has suspended the mandatory influenza vaccines for healthcare workers. The rationale has more to do with a shortage of the H1N1 vaccine than the temporary restraining order that was handed down by a judge last week, State Department of Health spokeswoman Claudia Hutton told the New York Times.

### **HEALTH CARE PUBLIC OPTION**

**LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 1:53**

In pushing to include a government-run health insurance plan in the health care bill, the Senate majority leader, Harry Reid , is taking a calculated gamble that the 60 members of his caucus could support the plan if it included a way for states to opt out. Mr. Reid met with President Obama at the White House Thursday to inform him of his inclination to add the public option to the bill, but did not specifically ask the president to endorse that approach, a Democratic aide said. Mr. Obama asked questions, but did not express a preference at the meeting, a White House official said.

### **FREE SWINE FLU VACCINE**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:02**

Los Angeles County will open the first in a series of swine flu vaccination clinics today, offering free shots to high-risk residents without insurance or a regular source of health care. Fielding has urged residents, especially pregnant women and children, to seek vaccinations from clinics or their doctor. Increasing amounts of H1N1 vaccine are expected to arrive in Los Angeles County on a weekly basis. Public Health's vaccine clinics will provide vaccine free of charge to residents in the H1N1 vaccine priority groups who do not have health insurance or a regular source of health care.

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**10/24/09**

**OBAMA SWINE FLU EMERGENCY**

**ENRIQUE TEUTELO. IN HOUSE****PKG 1:15 & VO :22**

President Barack Obama is making what administration officials are describing as a pre-emptive move against the swine flu. He's declaring the pandemic a national emergency, in an effort to speed treatment to thousands of infected people. Administration officials say the effort is designed to make decisions easier when they need to be made. The declaration authorizes Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius To bypass federal rules when opening offsite hospital centers. And hospitals could change patient rules to allow them faster access to treatment, with government approval. Obama says the months-old outbreak which has killed more than 1,000 in the U.S. continues to evolve. And, with the rates of illness rising rapidly, he says there's a potential to "overburden health care resources."

**FORECLOSURES****BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK****PKG 2:20**

The first night after she surrendered her house to foreclosure, Sheri West endured the darkness in her Hyundai sedan. She parked in her old driveway, with her flower-print dresses and hats piled in boxes on the back seat, and three cherished houseplants on the floor. She used her backyard as a restroom. The second night, she stayed with a friend, and so it continued for more than a year: Ms. West - mother of three grown children, grandmother to six and great-grandmother to one - passed months on the couches of friends and relatives, and in the front seat of her car. But this fall, she exhausted all options. She had once owned and overseen a group home for homeless people. Now, she succumbed to that status herself, checking in to a shelter.

**TEXAS "NO ENGLISH" APOLOGY****VO :23**

Dallas police chief issues public apology after rookie cop issues a ticket because a driver couldn't speak english. Dallas police Chief David Kunkle issued a public apology Friday after learning that a rookie officer issued a ticket to a motorist because she couldn't speak English. "We don't have abilities to determine proficiency in any language, and we shouldn't be doing it in the first place," Kunkle said. "I apologize to the Spanish-speaking Hispanic community." After a review of the records, Kunkle said about a half-dozen officers had issued a total of 38 similar citations. He said police would recommend to the courts that any pending cases be dismissed.

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**10/25/09****OK: SWINE FLU LONG LINES****VO :23**

Long lines in Oklahoma City Saturday, showed many believed the best defense against the flu is a good offense. Thousands packed two metro high schools to get free H1N1 shots. Grant High School's freshman Michaela Bailey was first in line at five in the morning. Not everyone seemed to be a huge fan of getting a shot but after it's all said and done. The Oklahoma City County Health Department officials say they vaccinated over 35-hundred people at both the U. S. Grant and Southeast High flu shot clinics.

**CA: SWINE FLU DRIVE THRU**

**VO :23**

Many Americans stood in long lines Saturday to get the H1N1 vaccine but in Southern California, residents got vaccinated without ever leaving their cars. Hundreds of people took advantage of a drive-thru clinic at Beach Cities Health District in Redondo Beach. The line of cars stretched along several blocks. Los Angeles County Public Health has scheduled over 200 H1N1 vaccination clinics during the next couple weeks. The first round of vaccines is being given to those in priority groups. They include babies, adults with medical problems, pregnant women, and medical workers.

**"NO ENGLISH TICKETS"**

**VIRGILIO AVILA. DALLAS, TEXAS**

**PKG 2:00**

The woman who exposed a Dallas police practice of issuing tickets for failing to speak English is now speaking out for herself. Dallas police Chief David Kunkle apologized Friday for the ticket that was issued to Ernestina Mondragon. Kunkle admitted that 38 similar tickets had been issued in the past three years. Now, Mondragon and Hispanic leaders are demanding change.

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**10/26/09**

**NEW PROGRAM FOR UNLICENCED DRIVERS**

**LUIS MEGID- SAN FRANCISCO, CA**

**PKG 2:00**

Call it sanctuary on wheels: San Francisco is about to give a big break to people, many of them illegal immigrants, who are caught driving without a license. Beginning Sunday, cops will no longer impound cars the first time drivers are pulled over without a license. The reason: Many such drivers are in the United States illegally - and thus unable to get a license - and the officials pushing the change think that impounding their cars is an unfair hardship. Instead, unlicensed drivers will be given 20 minutes to phone a relative or other acquaintance with a valid license and insurance to pick up the car. If the driver doesn't have a cell phone, police will help him contact someone.

**DC: PUBLIC OPTION****VO: 24**

The Nevada Democrat on Monday announced that the Senate's merged health care bill would introduce a government-sponsored program into the health insurance market. But it remains unclear whether Reid, who is facing a tough re-election battle back home, has managed to corral the filibuster-proof 60 votes needed to guarantee passage of a final bill containing a so-called public option. That would include all 57 of his fellow Democratic senators and the two independents who caucus with them.

**EMERGENCY H1N1****PKG 2:00****JAIME GARCIA- LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

Despite long lines and limited supplies of the H1N1 flu vaccine, U.S. efforts against the disease are not too late, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said Monday.

Sebelius acknowledged frustrating waits to get the vaccine, but said some 16.5 million doses are now being made available, with efforts to get more.

**NEW JOBS****PKG 2:15****BLANCA R. VILCHEZ- NUEVA YORK**

An economic survey out Monday provides fresh evidence that a fitful recovery is underway as customer demand grows in the third quarter for the first time in more than a year and the jobs outlook brightens a bit. For the first time since the recession began, the portion of companies planning to add employees in the next six months outnumbered those expecting to cut jobs, according to this month's quarterly survey of economists at 78 firms by the National Association for Business Economics.

**UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS****VO: 25**

Senate Democrats are trying again this week to extend unemployment benefits. Democrats are pushing a bill that would extend expiring benefits for 14 weeks in all states and an extra six weeks in states where unemployment is above 8 1/2 percent. Unhappy with how Democrats' planned to pay for the extended benefits, Republicans refused to let the benefits extension move ahead via unanimous consent.

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**10/27/09****H1N1 VACCINE****PKG 2:21**

**LOURDES MELUZA- WASHINGTON, DC**

In a dramatic sign of Democrats' growing confidence that they have the votes to pass a far-reaching healthcare overhaul, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) said Monday that the bill he intended to send to the Senate floor next month would include a "public option." The provision would allow the federal government to create an insurance plan to be offered to Americans who do not get medical coverage through their employers -- with the proviso that states could opt out of the program.

**FLU PUSHING HOSPITALS****PKG 2:00****BLANCA R. VILCHEZ- NUEVA YORK**

One scenario by the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology forecasts that if 30% of the U.S. population contracts H1N1 flu, 90 million could get sick, 1.8 million would be hospitalized and 30,000 or more would die. The Trust for America's Health, a non-profit public-health advocacy group, reported in early October that if the infection rate hits 35%, many states may run out of hospital beds, forcing hospitals to begin canceling elective procedures. So far, hospitals have been taxed - but not to that degree.

**IMMIGRANT'S RIGHTS****PKG 2:00****JAIME GARCIA**

Workplace immigration raids during the Bush administration interfered with ongoing labor investigations and allowed employers to exploit workers who complained about conditions on the job, labor groups said in a report released Tuesday. The stepped-up immigration enforcement came at the expense of rigorous enforcement of labor protections that are guaranteed to all workers regardless of immigration status, the groups said.

**HOME PRICES REBOUNDING****LUIS MEGID- SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:00**

Home prices rose for the third straight month in August, a key ingredient for a broad and sustained housing recovery. The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller home price index of 20 major cities climbed 1 percent from July to a seasonally adjusted reading of 144.5. While prices are down 11.4 percent from August a year ago, the annual declines have slowed since February.

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**10/28/09****LAPD ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION****JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA****PKG 2:13**

The outgoing chief of police urges the department to keep focusing on community outreach. L-A Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa is scheduled to meet with Deputy police Chief Charlie Beck today. It's the first of at least three days of interviews with the finalists chosen by the Police Commission to replace Los Angeles police William Bratton ... whose last day is Saturday. Beck is commander of the L-A-P-D Detective Bureau. He joined the department in 19-77 and was named a deputy chief in August 2006.

### **IMMIGRATION ID CARDS SUIT**

**VO :26**

Ten Connecticut residents have filed a lawsuit accusing federal authorities of violating their rights by conducting an immigration raid in retaliation for a New Haven

program that provided identification cards to foreigners in the country illegally. The sweeps in New Haven on June 6, 2007, came two days after the city approved issuing ID cards to all city residents, regardless of immigration status. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials deny the early-morning raids were retaliatory, saying planning began the year before.

### **OBAMA HATE CRIME**

**VO :11**

The White House just announced that President Obama will hold two White House ceremonies tomorrow on the new defense authorization bill. After a signing ceremony for the \$680 billion defense spending plan, Obama hosts a second event on a new law attached to that bill: The Matthew Shepard and James Byrd, Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act. The act makes it a federal crime to assault someone because of their sexual orientation, disability or gender identity. It is named for the victims of two horrific crimes in 1998: Matthew Shepard, a gay teenager from Wyoming who was beaten to death; and James Byrd, Jr., a black man from Texas who was tied to a pick-up track and dragged to death.

### **SWINE FLU SCHOOL CLOSED**

**VO :11**

Across the country schools are closing by the dozen as officials say they're being hit so hard by swine flu that they feel shutting down for a few days is the only feasible option. The U.S. Education Department says at least 351 schools were closed last week alone -- affecting 126,000 students in 19 states. So far this school year, about 600 total schools have temporarily closed. The number of closures this year appears on target to surpass the roughly 700 schools closed last spring when the swine flu outbreak first hit. Flu season hasn't peaked yet, and each day more schools are closing.

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**10/29/09**

**ECONOMY GROWS LATEST  
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK  
PKG 2:28**

Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner said he sees positive signs that the economy is recovering, although the recession remains "alive and acute" for families dealing with unemployment and facing home foreclosure. In testimony before the House Financial Services Committee, Geithner said that Americans were saving much more and borrowing less from the rest of the world. The economy grew at an annual rate of 3.5 percent in the third quarter of this year, the strongest rate of growth seen in two years.

**HOUSE HEALTH BILL  
LOURDES MELUZA. WASHINGTON, DC  
PKG 2:18**

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi will unveil a health-care reform bill on Thursday that includes a government insurance option and a historic expansion of Medicaid, although sticking points in the legislation involving abortion and immigration remain unresolved. Senior Democratic House aides said the bill would likely include a version of the "public option" preferred by moderates and may raise Medicaid eligibility levels to 150 percent of the federal poverty level for all adults, a steeper increase than in earlier drafts.

**ID IMMIGRANTS  
VO :20**

Ten New Haven residents filed a lawsuit Wednesday accusing federal agents of violating their rights during an immigration raid they say was in retaliation for a city program that provided ID cards to foreigners in the country illegally -- the first of its kind in the nation. The sweeps in New Haven on June 6, 2007, came two days after the city approved issuing identification cards to all of its residents, regardless of immigration status. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials have denied that the early morning raids were retaliatory, saying planning began the year before.

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**10/30/09**

**STIMULUS JOBS  
LUIS MEGID. SAN RFANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
PKG 1:57**

About 650,000 jobs have been saved or created under President Barack Obama's economic stimulus plan, the White House said Friday, saying the president's goal of 3.5 million jobs by the end of next year is on track. New job numbers from businesses, contractors, state and local governments, nonprofit groups and universities were scheduled to be released publicly later Friday. White House economic adviser Jared Bernstein said the figures will show that, when adding in jobs linked to \$288 billion in tax cuts, the stimulus plan has created or saved more than 1 million jobs.

### **H1N1: 6 MILLION CASES**

**JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:07**

Health officials think that as many as 5.7 million Americans were infected with swine flu during the first few months of the pandemic. Scientists at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimate that between 1.8 million and 5.7 million Americans were infected from April through July. The estimate is the CDC's most specific calculation to date. Officials had simply been saying millions have been infected. The estimate is in an article in a CDC publication called Emerging Infectious Diseases.

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### **H1N1 VACCINES**

**VO: 20**

Five drug companies are now increasing production of the vaccine for the H1N1 swine flu, and 10 million more doses are expected next week, Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius said Saturday.

### **VACCINES FOR KIDS**

**BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ- NUEVA YORK**

**PKG 2:16**

Vaccinations will continue at participating elementary schools for about eight weeks. Non-public schools that choose to participate in the city's H1N1 vaccination program will also receive doses during this period. In addition, weekend vaccination sites for middle-school and high-school students will be held in each borough in November.

### **DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME**

**VO: 15**

Say goodbye to the extra hour of evening daylight. The official change to standard time occurs at 2 a.m. Sunday, though most folks will change their clocks Saturday night and get an extra hour of sleep.

### **HALLOWEEN TIPS**

**ANABEL MONGE- SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

**PKG 1:41**

There are many ways to keep your child safe at Halloween, when they are more prone to accidents and injuries. The excitement of children and adults at this time of year sometimes makes them forget to be careful. Simple common sense can do a lot to stop any tragedies from happening.

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