

Chicago, IL – January 11, 2012. Drawing focus from its mission to improve the health status of the community, the Filipino American Community Health Initiative of Chicago (FACHIC) is again offering the Filipino community monthly social work consultations free of charge. Consultations are held by an Illinois Licensed Clinical Social Worker who can provide information in the following areas: housing, home safety modifications, tax breaks for seniors, social programming, prescription medication, Medicare/Medicaid, medical referrals, estate planning, social programming, and Social Security/Public Aid.

Drop-in consultations are held on a rotating basis between the Pilipino American Social Services (PASS) (1551 W Irving Park Rd, #1, Chicago), the Jose Rizal Heritage Center during its monthly food pantry distribution (1332 W Irving Park Rd, Chicago), and the Levy Center (2019 W Lawrence Ave, Chicago). A complete schedule of dates and times is available at <http://www.fachic.org/socialwork>. Due to demand and staffing changes, the schedule is subject to change. Walk-ins are accepted but appointments are preferred if possible. To schedule an appointment or for more information, please contact FACHIC by calling (312) 962-7748 or email at swreferral@fachic.org. This service is free and available to all.

If you cannot attend a scheduled social work clinic but need help, please call (312) 962-7748 or send an email to swreferral@fachic.org. FACHIC volunteer social workers are available to take consultations outside of the clinics.

The Filipino American Community Health Initiative of Chicago (FACHIC) is a collaborative of community, health professional, and academic leaders united to address Filipino health issues in the Chicago area. The mission of FACHIC is to increase awareness of Filipino health disparities and to implement health interventions and educational programming to improve the health status of the Filipino community. FACHIC is a 501(c)(3) Illinois nonprofit organization. All programs and services are free and available to all. For more information, visit <http://www.fachic.org>.

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