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Secretary of Aging Discusses Governor Corbett's Initiatives with Older Adults in Allegheny County

Pittsburgh – Secretary of Aging Brian Duke today spoke to older adults at two facilities in Allegheny County about Governor Corbett's initiatives as well as information on the department's programs.

"It is the goal of the department to help older adults age and live well in their communities," said Duke. "The department's programs and services and the governor's initiatives are set forth to help older adults achieve that goal."

At his first stop at Longwood at Oakwood in Verona, Duke highlighted the governor's goals to ensure a stable and reliable financial future and to create jobs for every Pennsylvanian who wants one.

Duke also spoke about the 2012-2016 State Plan on Aging, which is awaiting final approval from the federal Administration on Aging. The plan is composed of strategies and goals aimed at helping older Pennsylvanians age and live well in their communities. It determines the agenda for the programs and services the department will offer for the next four years.

At the Penn Hills Senior Services Center in Penn Hills, Duke joined members in recognizing National Senior Center Month and presented a proclamation on behalf of Governor Corbett designating September as Senior Center Month in Pennsylvania.

"Our nearly 600 senior centers serve as a gateway to our aging network and connect them to preventative programs and services," Duke said. "They play a vital role in helping older adults maintain their health and remain in their communities."

For more information on the Department of Aging's programs and senior centers, visit: www.aging.state.pa.us

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