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HEALTH CONFERENCE BUILDS INSTITUTIONAL COOPERATION BETWEEN NEW JERSEY AND MEXICO

New Brunswick, NJ –On Friday, October 27, Rutgers University-New Brunswick will be hosting a conference entitled “Health Across Borders”. The purpose of the conference is to build institutional cooperation to address health concerns of migrants who cross borders between New Jersey and Mexico.

The one-day conference will be held at the Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy—located at 33 Livingston Avenue in New Brunswick—from 9 a.m. through 4 p.m. The conference is organized by the Center for Latino Arts and Culture in collaboration with the Center for State Health Policy, the Food Policy Institute, the Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies Department, the School of Social Work, and the community-based organization Lazos America Unida. The program is of interest to community health centers, migrant health centers, schools and other organizations that serve migrant populations, as well as the larger health and research communities in New Brunswick and New Jersey.

Speakers for the program include Lic. Rene Ruiz Quiroz, director of the Institute for Migration Concerns of the State of Oaxaca, Mexico; Dr. Mario Ortiz Gabriel of the Institute for Social Research of the University of Oaxaca; and Dr. Peter Guarnaccia of

the Rutgers University Center for State Health Policy. The conference will feature a panel with New Jersey-based health providers, health and human service agencies, and grassroots organizations, as well as small group discussions among conference participants on the challenges of serving Mexican and other migrant populations.

For more information about the conference or to register, please contact Carlos Fernandez, Director, Center for Latino Arts and Culture at 732-932-1263.