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Virtual Event: Healthcare, Economics Professionals to Discuss 'Coronavirus: Myths and Realities'

MAHWAH, N.J. – On Saturday, April 25 at 11 a.m., a panel of healthcare and economics professionals will discuss the impact of the current COVID-19 pandemic in an online symposium titled, "Coronavirus: Myths and Realities."

The talk will be delivered remotely using WebEx Events, sponsored by Ramapo College's Sabrin Center for Free Enterprise. The link to join the discussion is https://ramapo.webex.com/ramapo/j.php?MTID=m953dc2022634e40663a2c98a40f55a80

Meeting number is 612 521 959

Password is qpZ7ksCmp64

Attendees will be able to ask questions via chat access.

Ramapo College Professor of Economics Murray Sabrin will moderate the event. Panelists include:

ALIETA ECK, M.D., studied internal medicine at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, N.J., and has been in private practice with her husband Dr. John Eck since 1988. In 2003, she and her husband founded the Zarephath Health Center, a non-government free clinic that serves approximately 300 poor and uninsured patients per month, utilizing donated services of volunteer physicians and nurses.

TODD A. EDELSON is a physical therapist who is considered a leader in the clinical use and teaching of the McKenzie Method of physical therapy in the United States. He holds a doctor of physical therapy degree from Massachusetts General's Institute for Health professionals and has been on the faculty of the New Zealand-based McKenzie Institute since 1999.

GLENN B. GERO is a board-certified naturopathic practitioner with a doctorate in nutrition, an MBA and master's degree in botanical medicine. He has completed extensive post-doctoral

training at Harvard Medical School including training at the Joslin Diabetes Center, the Institute of Lifestyle medicine and the Herbert Benson Institute of Mind Body Medicine.

ALEXANDER OLBRECHT, Ramapo College professor of economics, teaches health economics curriculum and is the executive director of the Eastern Economics Association based at Ramapo College. His research has appeared in *The Journal of Human*

Resources, Contemporary Economic Policy, Economics of Education Review, and Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, among others.

ROBERT WENZEL is editor and publisher of economicpolicyjournal.com, where he discusses issues related to free markets, liberty and Private Property Society Theory. He is a frequent guest on radio talk shows and has been quoted in *The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, Forbes, Bloomberg, ZeroHedge, LewRockwell.com,* at *CNBC* and many other media outlets.

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Established in 1969, Ramapo College offers bachelor's degrees in the arts, business, data science, humanities, social sciences and the sciences, as well as in professional studies, which include business, education, nursing and social work. In addition, the College offers courses leading to teacher certification at the elementary and secondary levels, and offers graduate programs leading to master's degrees in Accounting, Business Administration, Data Science, Educational Technology, Educational Leadership, Nursing, Social Work and Special Education.