**See, Test & Treat Talking Points**

**Introduce yourself**

* *Talk about your job, the CAP Foundation* (e.g., I am a Board member of CAP Foundation, which funds the See, Test & Treat program. Part of our mission is to improve people’s health by mobilizing pathologists to expand health equity in medically underserved communities within the US and globally.)
* *If you are on any CAP committees mention those if time permits and if you feel like you want to work that in.*

**Tell us about this event.**

* On *[date of your STT event],* *[name of your institution(s)]* is partnering with the College of American Pathologists Foundation to offer uninsured and underinsured women free breast and cervical cancer screenings at *[location of STT event].*
* At this event, which we call See, Test & Treat, women can get their pap test, mammograms, blood sugar test, and some great information on women’s health all in one day.
* Furthermore, these women get same-day test results for their pap tests and mammogram results within a day or two and women who are in need of follow up care will be connected with a patient navigator who will help connect them with a provider.

**Who is This Event For?**

* We hope that this program will allow women who have had trouble seeing a doctor in the past get connected with services they need to stay healthy.
* If you’re uninsured, or you have insurance that doesn’t cover preventative care and your copay is too high, we’re here for you.

**Why Is This Event Important?**

* *Information on local community needs, insurance rates, poverty level, etc.*

For Example: Almost 18% of individuals living in Marion County live in poverty, compared to the national average of roughly 10% according to the Census Bureau.

* In this community, we see patients with late-stage undiagnosed cancers far too often.
* Furthermore, during the pandemic, cervical cancer screening rates dropping 80 percent in some areas of the US so many women missed their routine preventative care over the last year (<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/mm7004a1.htm>).
* Early detection through screening is the key to turning this tide. At this event, we are not only ensuring that our uninsured and underinsured residents have access to these life-saving checks, but also raising awareness so that others get screened early and often.

**THE CALL TO ACTION:**

* All women should be proactive about preventative care- speak with your primary care provider about when and how often you should get screened for breast and cervical cancer because early detection is key to successful treatment.
* It is so important that women get screened early for breast and cervical cancer because catching these cancers in their early stages can literally save their lives- both of these cancers are easier to treat earlier on than in later stages.

**About the College of American Pathologists and CAP Foundation**

The CAP Foundation, its philanthropic arm, supports patient-centered and humanitarian initiatives led by pathologists, striving to connect people in underserved communities with the specialized skills of pathologists. Find more information about the CAP Foundation visit [www.foundation.cap.org](http://www.foundation.cap.org). Contact the CAP Foundation at [capfnd@cap.org](mailto:capfnd@cap.org). Follow the CAP Foundation on Facebook at [facebook.com/capfndn](https://www.facebook.com/capfndn) or follow us on Twitter at @capfndn.