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**TO: CLUW NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD**  
**FROM: Bennie Bridges, Corresponding Secretary**  
**SUBJECT: NEB Meeting and CLUW Lobby Day: March 15-18, 2017 – Silver Spring, MD**

The National Executive Board will be meeting at the Tommy Douglas Conference Center at 10000 New Hampshire Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20903. See separate tentative schedule for more information.

The program theme “WOMEN: Taking it to THE HILL” will be put into action on Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup> when we will be conducting a Lobby Day. Details can be found on the next page.

The conference center price is an all-inclusive package including meals, breaks, lodging and meeting facilities. You will be responsible for your own lunch during the Lobby Day on March 16<sup>th</sup>. Rates are as follows: Single Occupancy: \$199.64 inclusive of sales tax; Double Occupancy: \$299.73 inclusive of sales tax, \$149.87 per person (2 occupants required).

**Room reservations should be made no later than February 28<sup>th</sup> under the CLUW Room Block by calling (240) 645-4000 or email [FD2@tommydouglascenter.com](mailto:FD2@tommydouglascenter.com).** A deposit by check or credit card equal to one-night's room rate is due with each reservation. Failure to cancel a guaranteed reservation at least 48 hours prior to arrival of the reservation will result in forfeiture of advance deposit or one night's room and tax billed to the credit card.

The conference center is deluxe dormitory style with free wireless in guest rooms and public space and access to fitness center and free self-parking available. Check-in is after 3:00 pm and check-out is before 11:00 am.

**Commuter charge** (those not utilizing the center lodging): \$68.60 inclusive of sales tax per person per full day program including lunch, breaks and meeting facilities and \$31.80 inclusive of sales tax per person for half day program including break and meeting facilities.

Contact the National Office if you are seeking a roommate and want to share a room. **Complete the registration form by February 28<sup>th</sup>.**

In order to be seated as a member of the National Executive Board your membership must be up to date. Contact the CLUW office for any membership questions.

*We look forward to your attendance at this important board meeting and Lobby Day!*

## **CLUW Lobby Day Thursday, March 16**

**Individual appointments must be scheduled by you with your representative and senators and should be arranged from 10:30 AM - 3 PM on March 16.**

Information on the House of Representatives can be found at <http://www.house.gov/> and information on the Senate can be found at <http://www.senate.gov>.

Please complete the Lobby Day information on the pre - registration form and return to the National CLUW Office as soon as possible.

Lobby Day will include an issue briefing, overview of lobby tips and de-briefing at the end of the day.

We are reviewing lobbying issues, recognizing that there are many that are high on our agenda and will require our steely determination during the months ahead such as: Equal Pay, Paid Leave, Protecting Health Care for Women under the Affordable Care Act, No Cuts to Medicare and Social Security, Stop Attacks on Workers (including the Federal Workforce), Yes to Immigrant Rights and Lobbying on the Supreme Court Justice. The Lobby Day short list will be developed soon.

If you are unable to attend this Lobby Day your voice is still important. Check our website soon for issue fact sheets and call and visit your members of Congress in their district offices on March 16<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the National Office to let us know if you have been able to set up visits in your home district.

The following resource links include helpful information about the lobbying process:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HKayV4wjJIY>

<http://www.pnhp.org/sites/default/files/docs/2010/Grassroots-Advocacy-and-Lobbying-April-2008.pdf>