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1/16/11 (Sunday, 6:30pm & 11:30pm)

HYPERTENSION & HEART ATTACKS
LOURDES DEL RIO/ MIAMI, FLORIDA
PKG: 2:19

High blood pressure in childhood is associated with higher blood pressure or hypertension in adulthood, according to a study by researchers at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. Their analyses of previously published blood pressure tracking studies over the last four decades show a consistent relationship between children's blood pressure levels with their blood pressure levels as adults.

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1/17/11

NEW FINANCIAL PROGRAM TO HELP TEACHERS
LOURDES DEL RIO- MIAMI, FLORIDA
PKG 2:33

A \$2.8 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education is allowing Florida International University's College of Education to offer Hispanic-American teachers in low performing schools in Miami-Dade the opportunity to earn their Master's degree, as well as provide about a dozen school leaders with the chance to seek a doctorate in educational administration. The Creating Latino Access to a Valuable Education (CLAVE) program provides support for the education of minorities seeking doctoral and master's degrees in the area of education. A group of 13 teachers from low performing schools (grade of C or D) were accepted into the College of Education's Urban Education program, which aims at enhancing the effectiveness of teachers serving in diverse urban settings.

911 VICTIMS BENEFITS
BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ- NEW YORK
PKG 2:15

Like thousands of other rescue and recovery workers, Volpe suffers from an ailment that is not expressly covered by the law. Only a few diseases were singled out by name in the act, including asthma certain types of lung

disease and a handful of other respiratory ailments. They were included because research has suggested there is a link between those illnesses and the tons of caustic dust that blanketed lower Manhattan after the twin towers collapsed. Federal administrators still have to decide whether to cover other conditions, like cancer where there is less hard evidence of a tie to ground zero toxins. Volpe's problem, a kidney disease called IgA nephropathy, is among those that haven't yet been linked to the dust.

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1/18/11

**HEALTHCARE REFORM LATEST
LOURDES MELUZA- WASHINGTON, DC
PKG 2:15**

Floor debate is scheduled to begin Tuesday in the House of Representatives on a repeal of President Obama's health care overhaul bill. The start of the process fulfills a campaign promise of congressional Republicans, but also sets up a clash with the White House and Senate Democrats. House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, has scheduled floor debate for Tuesday and a vote on the measure for Wednesday. The measure is expected to pass the Republican-led House, but is believed to have little chance of clearing the Democratic-controlled Senate or surviving a presidential veto. Republicans have acknowledged the virtual impossibility of an outright repeal, but have indicated there will likely be attempts to defund portions of the measure or eliminate specific provisions in the months ahead. The new GOP majority, in keeping with its "repeal and replace" mantra, will instruct various House committees to craft alternatives to the law.

**APPEALS TO COURT FOR SB 1070
LUIS MEGID- SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA
PKG 2:00**

Arizona's immigration law finally got its day in court after being watered down in July. The Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals heard arguments for and against Senate Bill 1070 on Monday. Debate included whether Arizona could enforce immigration laws without conflicting with federal law. The proceedings were broadcast live on C-SPAN. Gov. Jan Brewer signed the bill into law last April, but four key provisions were put on hold by U.S. District Court Judge Susan Bolton in July after the U.S. Justice Department filed a lawsuit against Arizona and Brewer. John Bouma, Arizona's private

lawyer for the case, argued that the state is not trying to alter federal immigration laws, but is asking to enforce federal law at the state level.

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1/19/11

HOUSE REPEAL VOTE ON HEALTH CARE REFORM

LOURDES MELUZA/ WASHINGTON, DC

PKG 2:28

The Republican-led U.S. House of Representatives was set to vote on repeal of President Barack Obama's healthcare reform law Wednesday in a mostly symbolic move that is likely to be scuttled in the Senate. Republican leaders said they were committed to try to scrap the law -- signed by Obama last year after a bitter battle in Congress -- to honor a campaign pledge that helped them win control of the House and gain seats in the Senate in elections last November. "Our pledge was to repeal 'Obamacare,'" said House Speaker John Boehner, using a derisive term for the law. "Why? Because it is going to increase spending, increase taxes and destroy jobs in America."

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1/20/11

CRACKDOWN ON ILLEGAL WORKERS GROWS

LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:59

The Obama administration plans to intensify a crackdown on employers of illegal immigrants with the establishment of an audit office designed to bolster verification of company hiring records. In an interview, John Morton, chief of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, a unit of the Department of Homeland Security, said the Employment Compliance Inspection Center would "address a need to conduct audits even of the largest employers with a very large number of employees." The office would be announced Thursday, he said. Mr. Morton said that the center would be staffed with specialists who will pore over the I-9 employee files collected from companies targeted for audits. In the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, 2010, ICE conducted audits of more than 2,740 companies, nearly twice as many as the previous year. The agency levied a record \$7 million in civil fines on businesses that employed illegal workers.

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1/21/11

OBAMA 2ND YEAR -BALANCE- AND ECONOMY

LOURDES MELUZA/ WASHINGTON, DC

PKG 2:03

President Barack Obama said Friday that "putting the economy into overdrive" is a top priority, even as a new poll showed the public giving him poor marks in this area. The Associated Press-GfK poll underscored the selling job that confronts the president as he prepares to seek a second term: People like Obama personally, but just 35 percent say the economy's gotten better during his tenure. Appearing in Schenectady, N.Y., on Friday, Obama announced that he was naming GE CEO Jeffrey Immelt as the head of a Council on Jobs and Competitiveness, his latest move to court a business community that he's clashed with amid continued high unemployment. Addressing workers at a General Electric plant, Obama recommitted himself to spending the next two years trying to speed up the economic recovery. His success or failure there is likely to be the central issue of the coming 2012 presidential campaign. "Our job is to do everything we can to ensure that businesses can take root, and folks can find good jobs," the president said. "We're going to build stuff, and invent stuff," said Obama, emphasizing the need to boost American exports to countries around the world, an issue that was a focus during the visit of Chinese President Hu Jintao to the White House this week. "That's where the customers are. It's that simple," Obama said

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1/22/11 (Saturday 6:30pm & 11:30pm)

OBAMA WEEKLY ADDRESS

VO: 23

Under pressure to energize the economy, President Barack Obama will put job creation and American competitiveness at the center of his State of the Union address, promoting spending on education and research while pledging to trim the nation's soaring debt. Obama hopes this framework will woo Republicans as he searches for success in a divided Congress and will sway a wary private sector to hire and spend money it's held back. The economy is on firmer footing than when he took office two years ago, and his emphasis on competitiveness signals a shift from policies geared toward short-term stabilization to ones with steady and long-term growth in mind. Obama will speak to a Congress shaken by the attempted assassination of one of their own. Democratic Rep. Gabrielle Giffords was

shot in the head two weeks ago during an event in her district in Tucson, Ariz. The president has appealed for more civility in politics, and in a nod to that ideal, some Democrats and Republicans will break with tradition and sit alongside each other in the House chamber Tuesday night during a joint session of Congress.

HOUSING CRISIS

LOURDES DEL RÍO/ MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 2:17

A leading indicator that's turned solidly positive for construction is the American Institute of Architects Architecture Billings Index which hit its highest level since 2007. A lagging indicator that has turned positive, existing home sales blew through consensus estimates by a run-rate figure of 430,000 home resales in a 12-month period. What's more, pending home sales have cobbled together a run of positive reporting periods, initial jobless claims are tacking together a four-week moving average that is encouraging, and most of the regional economic measures of demand for goods and services reflect expanding structural demand building momentum across the board. Now, take away from the positive tidings the fact that the European nations' debt minefield could set off a global daisy chain of financial white light moments, and the fact that domestically, we're seeing local governments writhe under the tyranny of past and present misguided capital planning, and closer to home, the fact that the pig in the python of foreclosure clearance seems to be stuck somewhere between the paperwork the lawyers and common sense.

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1/23/11 (Sunday 6:30pm & 11:30)

CALORIES MENU ON SCHOOLS

BLANCA ROSA VÍLCHEZ

PKG 2:04

Schoolchildren would have to hold the fries - and pick up more whole grains, fruits and vegetables - on the lunch line under proposed new federal standards for school lunches. The Agriculture Department proposal applies to lunches subsidized by the federal government and would be the first major nutritional overhaul of school meals in 15 years. The guidelines, obtained by the Associated Press and confirmed by the USDA, would require schools to cut sodium in those meals by more than half, use more

whole grains and serve low-fat milk. The guidelines also would limit kids to one cup of starchy vegetables a week, so schools couldn't offer french fries every day.

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1/24/11

PREVIO AL ESTADO DE LA UNION & ECONOMY

LOURDES MELUZA/ WASHINGTON, DC

PKG 2:06

In discussing foreign policy, Obama is expected to underscore the end-of-year deadline for all U.S. troops to leave Iraq. Regarding Afghanistan, Obama will highlight the July deadline he has set for the start of troop withdrawals, a process scheduled to unfold through 2014 at a pace to be determined by conditions on the ground. But on other subjects, what exactly the president will say remains unclear. Gun-control groups are pushing for Obama to embrace stricter gun laws in the wake of the shooting in Tucson. Paul Helmke, president of the Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence, said he wants Obama to support specific legislation, but would be satisfied if the president instead appointed a commission to look at the causes of gun violence. "A national tragedy took place, there should be a response," Helmke said. He added of the Tucson shooting, "no laws were broken until [the gunman] starting shooting." White House officials have been noncommittal on supporting any new legislation, and have not said if Obama will address gun control in his speech.

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1/25/11

BARACK OBAMA "STATE OF THE UNION"

LOURDES MELUZÁ - WASHINGTON, DC.

PKG: 2:26

Addressing a demand for economic answers, President Barack Obama will try to convince the American people and a divided Congress that he has a vision for speeding up job creation, promoting spending on the core of his agenda but promising to rein in a growing, staggering debt. His State of the Union address will reflect reality: The economy trumps all. To a nationwide television audience Tuesday night, Obama will home in on jobs, the issue of most importance to the public and to his hopes for a second term. Specifically, he will focus on improving the education, innovation and infrastructure of the United States as the way to provide a sounder

economic base. He will pair that with calls to preduce the government's debt -- now topping \$14 trillion -- and reform government. Those five areas will frame the speech, with sprinklings of fresh proposals.

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**STATE OF UNION
LOURDES MELUZÁ WASHINGTON, DC
PGK: 2:27**

President Barack Obama sought to put a fresh face on his revamped economic message Wednesday, singling out three Wisconsin factories the White House says would benefit from the administration's new emphasis on innovation and infrastructure improvements. First, Obama, a Chicagoan who rooted for the losing Chicago Bears in last weekend's NFC championship game with the Green Bay Packers, had to endure a dose of local pride -- and ribbing. Upon arriving at Green Bay's Austin Straubel International Airport, Obama was greeted at the side of the plane by Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker and Green Bay Mayor James J. Schmitt. They gave Obama two Green Bay Packers' jerseys, one with Obama on the back and one bearing the number 21, and name of Packer's cornerback Charles Woodson. "They're rubbing it in," Obama said to reporters accompanying him on the trip. Obama had indicated before the game that he would travel to Texas for the Super Bowl next month to watch the game if the Bears beat the Packers last Sunday. The Packers, however, won 21-14.

**CDC DIABETES LATEST
VO :18**

Nearly 26 million Americans have diabetes, according to new estimates from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). In addition, an estimated 79 million U.S. adults have prediabetes, a condition in which blood sugar levels are higher than normal, but not high enough to be diagnosed as diabetes. Prediabetes raises a person's risk of type 2 diabetes, heart disease and stroke. Diabetes affects 8.3 percent of Americans of all ages, and 11.3 percent of adults aged 20 and older, according to the National Diabetes Fact Sheet for 2011. About 27 percent of those with diabetes - 7 million Americans - do not know they have the disease. Prediabetes affects 35 percent of adults aged 20 and older.

MORE EDUCATION

LUIS MEGID SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG: 2:10

President Obama used the State of the Union to tout his national competition to improve schools and said he would work with Congress to expand the program to all 50 states. He urged the Senate to follow the House and pass a bill making college education more affordable. From the prepared text: This year, we have broken through the stalemate between left and right by launching a national competition to improve our schools. The idea here is simple: instead of rewarding failure, we only reward success. Instead of funding the status quo, we only invest in reform - reform that raises student achievement, inspires students to excel in math and science, and turns around failing schools that steal the future of too many young Americans, from rural communities to inner-cities. In the 21st century, one of the best anti-poverty programs is a world-class education. In this country, the success of our children cannot depend more on where they live than their potential. When we renew the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, we will work with Congress to expand these reforms to all fifty states. Still, in this economy, a high school diploma no longer guarantees a good job. I urge the Senate to follow the House and pass a bill that will revitalize our community colleges, which are a career pathway to the children of so many working families. To make college more affordable, this bill will finally end the unwarranted taxpayer-subsidies that go to banks for student loans. Instead, let's take that money and give families a \$10,000 tax credit for four years of college and increase Pell Grants.

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1/27/11

SEX SLAVE IMMIGRANT

LOURDES DEL RIO

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The client was living in Veracruz, Mexico when she met her trafficker (March 2008). The trafficker (Amador Cortez Meza) was a customer at her mother's restaurant called Tierra Blanca. The client's sister was working in the restaurant when she was approached by the trafficker who asked her if she had any sisters in Vera Cruz and if so could he get their phone number. The client's sister gave the client's phone number to the trafficker.

The trafficker called the client and told her he was coming to Vera Cruz. The client did not know what he was coming for. She assumed that he was coming to see the city and needed a guide. She went to the park with him. The same day he asked her to be his girlfriend. She felt it was too soon. He wanted to have sex with her the first night but she said no. They stayed at the hotel for 2 nights during which he did not force her to have sex. After 2 nights at the hotel the client moved into the trafficker's sister-in law's house. While living in the house the client had to get the trafficker's permission for everything, i.e. going to get groceries, making phone calls. They lived in the trafficker's sister-in law's house for 15 days. The client went back to Vera Cruz to speak to her family. She asked her mother for forgiveness for leaving the house and explained to her mother the relationship between her and the trafficker. Her mother was angry with them and refuted their relationship.

BIRTHRIGHT CITIZENSHIP

JAIME GARCIA

PKG: 1:58

Senator David Vitter (R-LA) and Rand Paul (R-KY) have introduced a resolution "that would amend the Constitution so that a person born in the United States to illegal aliens does not automatically gain citizenship unless at least one parent is a legal citizen, legal immigrant, active member of the Armed Forces or a naturalized legal citizen," according to a joint press release. Vitter and Paul do not believe that the 14th Amendment confers birthright citizenship to the children of illegal aliens, either by its language or intent. This resolution makes clear that under the 14th Amendment a person born in the United States to illegal aliens does not automatically gain citizenship.

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1/29/11 (Saturday 6:30pm & 11:30)

OBAMA WEEKLY ADDRESS

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President Barack Obama says business innovation is a building block to more jobs, pitching a retooled economic message that aims to highlight advances in the private sector over government programs. With a Wisconsin energy company as a backdrop, Obama used his weekly radio and Internet address to prod the business community to help speed up an economic recovery that is still

beset by high unemployment. The innovation pitch is part of a broader White House effort to move away from the high-dollar spending the administration relied on to pull the economy out of recession to a leaner, business-friendly strategy focused on making the U.S. more competitive in the global marketplace.

JOBLESS IMPACT

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW JERSEY

PKG 2:04

The jobless have lost more than their jobs. In a USA TODAY/Gallup Poll of unemployed Americans, most of those surveyed have lost any optimism they will find a job soon or end up with work they really want to do. Two-thirds struggle to pay their bills. Nearly half have had to deal with such major personal problems as moving to cheaper housing or fighting depression. One striking finding: the impact joblessness has not only on household finances, but also on almost every other aspect of life. More than one in four of the unemployed report major problems in relationships with a spouse or close relative. More than one in five have sought help from a medical professional for major health problems they believe stem from their joblessness.

IMMIGRATION RALLY

LUIS ZARAGOSA, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:59

The Justice for Immigrants Coalition of the San Fernando Valley staged an "Our Struggle for Justice Continues" march and rally in support of comprehensive immigration reform and the DREAM Act in Los Angeles, California. Demonstrators marched pushing for immigration reform that would allow the legalization of millions of undocumented immigrants. The demonstration was organized by pro-immigrant organizations such as Hermandad Mexicana.

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6:30 AND 11:30 SHOWS

CERVICAL CANCER

BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ- NEW JERSEY

PKG 2:13

The Gardasil shot made its debut years ago, but Lubbock doctors and nurses said there's still a need for more education about the vaccine in Lubbock. The shot prevents the human papilloma virus, HPV, which can cause cervical cancer. Members of the health community have taken time out throughout the month of January, Cervical Cancer Awareness Month, to talk to patients about the importance of prevention and early detection. Cervical cancer, or cancer of the cervix, is one of the most common types of cancer that affects a woman's reproductive organs. Because HPV is the most common cause of cervical cancer, preventing this sexually transmitted disease is the best way to prevent the cancer. Darla Porter, a nurse practitioner, said patients can prevent the disease by limiting their number of sexual partners, using condoms and, of course, receiving the vaccine. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends girls receive the shot as early as age 9. Catch-up shots are available for girls and women ages 13 to 26 who haven't received the vaccine. The cervical cancer vaccine isn't recommended, however, for women older than 26.

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1/31/11

HEALTH OVERHAUL

VO: 25

A federal judge declared the Obama administration's health care overhaul unconstitutional Monday, siding with 26 states that argued people cannot be required to buy health insurance. Senior U.S. District Judge Roger Vinson agreed with the states that the new law violates people's rights by forcing them to buy health insurance by 2014 or face penalties. He went a step further than a previous ruling against the law, declaring the entire thing unconstitutional if the insurance requirement does not hold up. Attorneys for the administration had argued that the states did not have standing to challenge the law and that the case should be dismissed. Justice Department spokeswoman Tracy Schmalzer said Monday the department strongly disagrees with Vinson's ruling and intends to appeal.

NEW DIETARY GUIDELINES

VO: 20

Americans need to cut salt, eat less but at the same time eat more fruits and vegetables, the Obama administration said Monday in releasing its latest set of dietary guidelines. They also advise Americans to drink water

instead of sugary drinks, cut fat and switch to whole grains. The "bottom line" is that Americans are too fat, said Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack in releasing the guidelines. More than one-third of children and two-thirds of adults in the United States are overweight or obese. The new dietary guidelines include 23 key recommendations for the general public, and six for specific groups such as pregnant women. General recommendations include avoiding oversized portions, choosing foods with lower sodium, and eating more fruits and vegetables.

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