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**Better Breathers Support Group
to Meet Sept. 5 in Osceola**

LITTLE ROCK - The Better Breathers COPD Support Group will present a program on the psychosocial aspects that can accompany the chronic obstructive pulmonary disease at 11 a.m. Sept. 5 in the private dining area of SMC Regional Medical Center, 611 W. Lee Ave. in Osceola.

The speaker will be Joanne Powell, a License Professional Counselor with A Time for Peace Mental Health Counseling. Refreshments will be provided.

The program is sponsored by the Center on Aging-Northeast of the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) and Kindred at Home.





The Better Breathers Club is open to the public and will meet the first Thursday of every month from 11 a.m.-noon at South Mississippi County Regional Medical Center. For more information or to register, call 870-207-7595.

The American Lung Association's Better Breathers Club is led by a registered nurse and respiratory therapist and provides ways to better manage lung disease while getting the support of others with similar experiences. Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) is a long-term lung disease that makes it hard to breathe.

The Center on Aging-Northeast is part of the UAMS Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging. Program support is also provided by St. Bernards Healthcare.

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. It is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. *U.S. News & World Report* named UAMS Medical Center the state's Best Hospital; ranked its ear, nose and throat program among the top 50 nationwide; and named six areas as high

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