

# NEWS RELEASE

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## SmokeFree Dutchess

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**NEWS RELEASE:**

**SmokeFree and Chambers of Commerce to Recognize Marriott Hotels**

On November 15<sup>th</sup>, SmokeFree Dutchess along with Dutchess County Commissioner of Health, Poughkeepsie Area and Greater Southern Dutchess Chambers of Commerce, and Dutchess County Tourism will recognize Marriott Hotels in Dutchess County for going smoke-free.

“Marriott has hotels throughout the United States and Canada, including 31 states that do not have smoke-free worksite laws like we have come to expect in New York State,” said Ron Lipp Chairperson for SmokeFree Dutchess. “They are not only looking out for the health and wellness of their employees but also of their patrons.”

**News Conference Details**

SmokeFree Dutchess  
Michael Caldwell MD, MPH, Commissioner of Health  
Poughkeepsie Area Chamber of Commerce  
Greater Southern Dutchess Chamber of Commerce  
and Dutchess County Tourism

Will Recognize Marriott Hotels Inc.  
for going totally smoke free

**November 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM**  
Main Lobby - Courtyard Marriott - Route 9  
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

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