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DURHAM, N.H. – Family and private small business owners are invited to learn about human resources, employee benefits, and the impact of the health care reform at a workshop sponsored by the University of New Hampshire Center for Family Business Wednesday, April 7, 2010.

"Human Resources and Employee Benefits Update and Practical Considerations" will offer practical advice on issues family and private business owners may be currently facing or want to take advantage of/avoid in the future. The presenters will also cover legal and financial issues of concern as well as provide insight about what may lie ahead, particularly in the area of health care and other employment benefits.

It will be held at New Hampshire Distributors, 65 Regional Drive, Concord. The event begins at 8 a.m. with a continental breakfast, with the program following at 8:30 a.m. Lunch will be served. The program ends at noon, followed by lunch.

Panelists include Connie Taggart, director of human resources at Baker Newman and Noyes; Charlie Einsiedler, chairman of Pierce Atwood Employee Benefits Practice group; and Tom Daveaux, senior account executive of Norton Financial Services.

Taggart oversees all aspects of BNN's human resources, including benefits, compensation, recruiting, and policies and procedures. She is the adviser on their newly created Employee Recognition Committee and an active member on the firm's People Pathway Committee which continually reviews ways to make BNN a great place to work.

Einsiedler is an expert in all aspects of labor, employment and employee benefits law counseling and litigation. He counsels employers, provides preventive advice and practical solutions to the day-to-day problems confronting businesses large and small. He advises employers on benefits compliance issues such as COBRA, HIPAA, USERRA and the FMLA. He has appeared before the region's Human Rights Commissions and the EEOC on discrimination matters and is often involved in mediation and arbitration of employment disputes in an effort to avoid litigation.

Daveaux joined Norton in 2007 and has 26 years of experience as an employee benefits specialist. Prior to joining Norton he was executive vice president of employee benefits for TD Banknorth. He has served on the national board of directors of the Council of Employee Benefit Executives and several national and local insurance company advisory councils. His clients have ranged from 10 to 8,000 employees, from single location groups to multi state accounts and from fully insured to self-funded plan designs.

Please register by Monday, April 5, 2010. To register or become a member of the Center for Family Business, call Barbara Draper at 603-862-1107, or barbara.draper@unh.edu. The

event is free for Center for Family Business members. The cost is \$99 per person and \$250 per company for nonmembers.

The Center for Family Business, under the UNH Whittemore School of Business and Economics and the UNH Graduate School, is sponsored by Mass Mutual Financial Group, Thomas Davidow Associates, Baker Newman & Noyes, Pierce Atwood, MPI Management Planning, Inc., and Optima Bank and Trust. It is a membership program to provide owners and managers of entrepreneurial businesses with an opportunity to exchange ideas and information and to discuss business challenges, concerns, and solutions. For more information, visit http://www.familybusiness.unh.edu/.

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