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Medical bag of Dr. Robert McCeney, who practiced in Laurel for nearly 60 years from approximately 1930-1987. Items inside the bag when donated to the LHS included these tongue depressors, bandages, 'nose tampons', prescription and 'Sick certificate' pads. Photo Karen Lubieniecki

LHS LOOKING FOR MEDICAL OBJECTS AND STORIES FOR UPCOMING EXHIBIT

Laurel, MD...The Laurel Historical Society is looking for your stories, information and/or memorabilia related to Laurel-related doctors, pharmacists, nurses, midwives, hospitals or medicine in support of our upcoming exhibit on healthcare in Laurel. Titled "Is There a Doctor in the House? Laurel's Health Stories" the exhibit will open in February 2019. It will include objects and information on early physicians and other healthcare providers, from the 19th century onward.

The exhibit will cover health issues including mental health and addiction. We're planning to include hospitals, from the Sanitarium to the creation and controversies surrounding Laurel hospitals up to the present time. We are interested in hearing your stories about discrimination or difficulty getting healthcare, as well as medicine and healthcare from the female and African-American perspectives. We're also looking for remedies, from popular or folk treatments to modern pharmacies. Have something to share? Contact Ann Bennett at Director@laurelhistoricalsociety.org, 301-725-7975. ##