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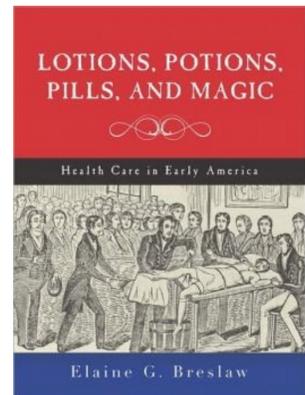
***“Lotions, Potions, Pills, and Magic: Health Care in Early America”***  
**A Lecture by Dr. Elaine G. Breslaw**

**PROGRAM:** *“Lotions, Potions, Pills, and Magic: Health Care in Early America,”* a lecture by Dr. Elaine G. Breslaw

**DATE:** Sunday, September 22, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** East Tennessee History Center  
601 South Gay Street  
Knoxville, TN 37902

**ADMISSION:** FREE



(Knoxville, TN) Modern medicine is only about 100 years old, and before that time, little was known about how to cure any disease or how to preserve good health. What was it like to be sick in the days before antibiotics, anesthetics, clean drinking water, underground sewers, or vaccination against diseases? In a lecture on Sunday, September 22, Dr. Elaine G. Breslaw will provide a fascinating look at early health care, from physicians and traditional methods to folk healers, midwives, Native American shamans, African obeahs, and new cure advocates. Retired as professor of history from Morgan State University, Baltimore, Dr. Breslaw’s books include *Tituba: Reluctant Witch of Salem*, *Witches of the Atlantic World*, and *Dr. Alexander Hamilton and Provincial America*.

The program is free and open to the public. The lecture will begin at 2:00 at the East Tennessee History Center, 601 S. Gay Street, Knoxville. Dr. Breslaw will be signing books following her lecture. For more information on the lecture, exhibitions, or museum hours, call 865-215-8824 or visit the website at [www.EastTNHistory.org](http://www.EastTNHistory.org).

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