Wi$e Up Teleconference Call
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Understanding Taxes: Make the Most of Your Return
Closing Remarks

Angela Rizzolo: And on that note, Sarah?

Sarah Miller: Great. Thank you.

On behalf of the Women’s Bureau, I’d like to thank our speakers, Jeff Kyle, Michael Schulman, and Robin Taylor for their informative presentations. I’d also like to thank our listeners and especially our Wi$e Up participants for calling in today.

I congratulate you for taking the initiative to turn this tax season into a financial learning opportunity. And, as Robin just mentioned, you can learn more about taxes by referring to IRS Publication 17, *Your Federal Income Tax*.

If you opt to seek help from a tax professional in preparing your returns, here are a few things to consider. You should know exactly who prepares your return and how to contact him or her. Do the preparer’s credentials meet your needs? Only attorneys, CPAs and enrolled agents can represent taxpayers before the IRS in all matters. Avoid preparers who base fees on a percentage of the amount of your refund. Before you sign your completed returns, make sure you understand the entries and are comfortable with their accuracy.

Taxpayers are legally responsible for what’s on their tax returns even if they’re prepared by someone else. And remember, tax preparation fees are deductible as miscellaneous itemized deductions if you itemize your taxes. If you’re expecting a refund, you may visit the IRS Web site, [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov), to find out if the IRS received your return.
and whether your refund was processed and sent to you. Just click on “Where’s My Refund?”

I hope that after listening to today’s call, you’ve learned how to use your tax return to guide your personal financial planning. Understanding taxes is an important step to meeting your financial goals.

This concludes today’s call. Please join us for our next Wi$e Up teleconference on April 28th from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

To listen to a recording or read a transcript of this call or a previous call, please visit the Wi$e Up Web site at [www.wiseupwomen.org](http://www.wiseupwomen.org).

Again, thank you for participating.

Angela Rizzolo: Thank you all.

Michael Schulman: Thank you.

Coordinator: Thanks for participating in today’s conference call. You may now disconnect.