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MPHCA Events/Educational Offerings

- **Registration Now Open!** November 3-5, 2010- MPHCA Fall Clinical Conference, The Riley Center in Meridian, MS.
- January 11-12, 2010-UDS Training

For complete information on trainings listed above, please click on http://www.mphca.com/Training_and_Events.htm

Other Events/Educational Offerings

September Is Prostate Cancer Awareness Month

Did you know that [prostate cancer](#) is the third most common cause of death from [cancer](#) in men? Prostate cancer is also the most common cause of death in men over age 75. Other populations at high risk include:

- African-American men.
- Men older than 60.
- Farmers, tire plant workers, and men who have been exposed to cadmium.

The American Cancer Society recommends that all men between the ages of 40 and 75 have an annual [PSA test](#) and prostate exam by a physician. Do your part this September to increase awareness and prevention for the loved ones in your life!

Don't Miss Out! Register for a Unique Medical/Dental Recruitment Opportunity

The NACHC - ATSU Annual Campus Recruitment Fair, October 13, 2010, Mesa, Arizona: An invitation for PCAs and Health Centers looking for solutions to medical and dental recruitment specific to community health centers to meet and interview A.T. Still University (ATSU) dental graduates and medical students trained specifically in the community health center model, and focused on and interested in careers at community health centers. It's free. [Click here for Registration Packet and more information](#)

Save the Date! HRSA Offers First Regional Grant TA Workshop

The Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) Office of Finance and Administrative Management (OFAM) Division of Grants Management Operations (DGMO) is offering a free interactive training workshop, ***Understanding your Notice of Grant Award (NGA): A Technical Assistance Workshop Designed Exclusively for HRSA Grantees***, October 12-13th at the Marriott Key Bridge, Arlington, VA. Preliminary topics include: Payment Management System (PMS), Electronic Handbooks (EHBs), & fiscal and administrative management. Attendees are asked to bring their active/current notice of grant award (NGA) and questions. HRSA intends to provide registration and other information shortly.

NACHC Seminars/Conferences/Webcasts, Register Today!

- October 12 - Two Methods for Choosing Clinic E/M Codes
- October 19 - Diagnosis Coding To Prove Your Work
- October 26 - Common/Frequent Coding Issues
- November 8 - 2010 State and Regional Primary Care Association Conference
- November 16 - NACHC 2010 Financial Operations Mgmt/Info Technology Conference, Las Vegas

NACHC Offers "Coding Health Centers Can Use" Webinar Series

NACHC and Brown Consulting are offering a "Coding Health Centers Can Use" webinar series. This three-webinar series is designed to assist health centers in the areas of billing and collections. Each session will inform health centers of the basic components of coding and how improving current billing practices and systems can translate into increased revenues. Participate in this series for a complete overview of the billing and reimbursement issues that impact coders, billers and providers in a Federally Qualified Health

Center (FQHC). Individuals attending this webinar leave with:

- A better understanding of the basic components of coding;
- Knowledge of how improving current billing practices and systems can translate into increased revenues; and
- An overview of the billing and reimbursement issues effecting health center operations.

Registration for each webinar in the series is \$150. For further information, contact Sherry Giles at sgiles@nachc.com or (301) 347-0400 or click [here](#).

NACHC NEWS

[Press Release: House Lawmakers Approve Bipartisan Bill that Boosts Volunteer Providers at Health Centers](#)

Posted: 23 Sep 2010 08:09 AM PDT

Thu, 23 Sep 2010: The Family Health Care Accessibility Act (H.R. 1745) cleared by a vote of 417-1.

[Press Release: NACHC Marks Six Month Anniversary of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act](#)

Posted: 23 Sep 2010 08:19 AM PDT

Thu, 23 Sep 2010: Secure Coverage and Better Access to Care are on the Way for More Families

Health Centers Are Ramping Up Efforts On Community Health Vote:

With the November 2nd general election quickly approaching [Health Centers across the country are ramping up voter registration efforts in the communities](#). As health centers work to register patients and staff in the community many are seeing more and more clients who have suffered home foreclosure or other displacement and may be unaware of what they need to do to vote this year. This [resource from the Fair Elections Legal Network](#) provides valuable information for anyone facing this circumstance. For more information on how to get involved in [Community Health Vote](#) visit the [NACHC website](#) and/or email us at grassroots@nachc.com

- **FREE** – [Get Out The Vote poster](#) and other resources available to Non-Profits on the [Nonprofit Vote website](#).

Uninsured Americans Grew by Over 4 Million Last Year:

The Census Bureau reported last week that the number of people with health insurance fell by 1.5 million to 253.6 million in 2009, the first year that the number of people with health insurance has decreased since 1987, when the government started collecting comparable data. The number of uninsured rose to 50.7 million, an increase of 4.3 million. A total of 6.5 million people lost employer-provided coverage, and only an increase of 5.8 million people with government coverage such as Medicare, Medicaid and CHIP prevented the uninsured count from being even higher. Visit the [Census website to read the Census Bureau's summary of key findings or to access the full report](#), Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2009.

"Johann's Amendment" Defeated - Prevention and Public Health Fund Unharmd:

In a [previous post](#) we reported that Senator Mike Johanns (R-NE) offered the amendment to strike a new 1099 reporting requirement, and that to pay for the costs associated with this change, the amendment proposed using \$15 billion from the Prevention and Public Health Fund as an offset, essentially eliminating the fund for its first 7 years.... NACHC is very pleased to report that...the amendment was defeated and ... the [Prevention and Public Health Fund is safe for now](#)—however, in this tough climate, there may be other attempts from lawmakers to use this fund to offset other high-cost provisions. NACHC will continue to watch these attempts very closely and work with our public health partners to ensure that the promise of the Affordable Care Act's prevention focus is realized. – [Krystal Knight, Health Centers on the Hill](#)

[Alert: Clinical Workforce Q&A with Tom Curtin, MD](#)

[Tue, 21 Sep 2010: Community Health Center Expansion, Primary Care Shortages, and Solutions in an Era of Specialists.](#)

[Alert: Learning Session for HRSA Patient Safety and Clinical Pharmacy Services Collaborative](#)

[Mon, 20 Sep 2010: Sign up for October 8th broadcast to learn more about delivering patient-centered care.](#)

Lawsuit on Healthcare Reform Bill Appears Likely to Go To Trial

On Tuesday, a federal judge indicated that he will allow a legal challenge to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to go to trial. The lawsuit is being brought by attorneys general and governors in twenty states questioning the constitutionality of the new

healthcare reform law, namely, its mandate that individuals purchase insurance as well as the obligations on the states to increase Medicaid spending in 2016 when the federal subsidies for the expanded coverage decrease. The case could be heard as early as October in the U.S. District Court, but it will not be the final word on the law. Most legal experts expect that this case will work its way up to the U.S. Supreme Court for a final legal ruling on the reform law.

Funding Opportunities

Community Health Centers: Opportunities and Challenges of Health Reform

<http://www.kff.org/uninsured/8098.cfm>

American Dental Association Foundation Harris Children's Dental Health Grants

Application Deadline: October 29, 2010

For the 2010 program year, grant funding will be exclusively considered from organizations that sponsor programs for mothers/caregivers to help reduce the incidence of early childhood caries (ECC) in infants and toddlers age 16 months or younger. The overarching goal of applicants must be to increase parent/caregiver awareness of how to protect their infant's oral health and prevent early childhood caries. Funding is only offered to perinatal and postnatal programs that seek to provide oral health instruction to mothers/caregivers of infants age 16 months or younger. The 2010 program encourages synergy between dentistry, health professionals and human service organizations.

HRSA Healthy Tomorrow's Partnership for Children (HTPC) Grants

Application Deadline: October 15, 2010

The purpose of this program is to stimulate innovative community-based programs that employ prevention strategies to promote access to health care for children and their families. HTPC funding supports direct service projects, not research projects. It is anticipated that HTPC grants of \$50,000 will be awarded to approximately 12 recipients to: 1) support the development of family-centered, community-based initiatives that plan and implement innovative and cost-effective approaches for focusing resources to promote community defined preventive child health and developmental objectives for vulnerable children and their families, especially those with limited access to quality health services; 2) foster/promote collaboration among community organizations, individuals, agencies, businesses, and families; 3) involve pediatricians and other pediatric health professionals in community-based service programs; and/or 4) build community and statewide partnerships among professionals in health, education, social services, government, and business to achieve self-sustaining programs to assure healthy children and families. The program encourages the use of innovative health information technology to increase access to a wide variety of stakeholders in communities.

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Application Deadline: Due dates range from October 25, 2010 to January 10, 2011

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Rural Health Network Development Grant Program

Application Deadline: November 12, 2010

Funding to expand access to, coordinate and improve the quality of essential health care services, and enhance the delivery of health care in rural areas.

2011 Minority Nurse Scholarship Program

Application Deadline: February 1, 2011

Annual scholarship program to help outstanding students complete their studies leading to a BSN degree.

Research on Rural Mental Health and Drug Abuse Disorders (R01)

Application Deadline: Applications accepted on an ongoing basis.

Grants to stimulate research on mental health, HIV/AIDS and/or drug abuse problems in rural and frontier communities.

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HHS/BPHC NEWS

HHS Announces Connecting Kids to Coverage Campaign - 5 Million Kids in 5 Years the Goal

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) and the U.S. Department of Education in a [news release](#) this week highlighted the Connecting Kids to Coverage Challenge to enroll five million children in Medicaid and CHIP within five years. Although health coverage is currently available to children in families with incomes up to about \$45,000 per year in nearly every state, an estimated five million uninsured children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP but not enrolled. To date, 17 national organizations, including the National Association of Community Health Centers, and a number of states have agreed to sign on to the Connecting Kids to Coverage Challenge. More information on who these eligible but uninsured children are is available in a [new report](#) released this week by the Urban Institute.

HRSA Amends FQHC-LA Change in Scope Requirements

The Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) has released [Policy Information Notice \(PIN\) 2010-02](#), "Amendment to PIN 2009-06, Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) Look-Alike Guidelines and Application, Additional Submission Requirements for Change in Scope Applications," to announce supplemental requirements for submitting change in scope (CIS) applications. Effective September 8, 2010, all FQHC Look-Alikes must submit CIS applications electronically through HRSA's Electronic Handbook (EHB) system. When completing CIS applications in HRSA's EHB, FQHC Look-Alikes must complete two additional forms, which were not included in PIN 2009-06. These forms are SF-424 Face Page and SF-424A Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs. PIN 2010-02 also discusses factors that HRSA considers in making determinations on FQHC Look-Alike CIS applications to add specialty services to the HRSA-approved scope of project.

HRSA Knowledge Gateway to Close September 30th Becomes HealthCare Communities

The [HRSA Knowledge Gateway](#) will end on September 30th. The PACHC Virtual Office and listserv will also be ending. The new website will be [Healthcare Communities](#). HRSA encourages anyone to download any information you think might be useful to you before that time. The new website is an enhanced knowledge management website portal design to make it easier to communicate, navigate and share information for improvement.

If you are a current Knowledge Gateway user, to access the site, go to the Healthcare Communities website and then to "Member Log-in". Next under User Name enter your email address (not your user name for the health disparities website) and then your password that you used for the health disparities website.

The goals of the enhancements were to broaden the communication base meanwhile allowing each individual user to control what communication they receive on a particular topic area. A more robust Help section has been created and the Resource Center has an archive of materials from the previous site. It will also have a dynamic tag cloud designed for browsing recent public information.

Users will continue to have access to list-serv functionality and will have enhanced "community specific" and "site-wide" discussion forums, along with individual messaging. Please visit the site and if not a member, join. It's FREE!

OTHER NEWS

U.S. House Passes Legislation to Expand FTCA Coverage to Volunteers

On Wednesday, September 22nd the U.S. House of Representatives passed HR 1745 sponsored by Representative Tim Murphy from Pennsylvania. This legislation would expand Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA) coverage for volunteer healthcare practitioners working at health centers across the country. MPHCA strongly supports this legislation because it would allow health centers to increase access to care without increasing costs of health center operations. MPHCA has been working with out Representatives on this legislation and has already been in contact with Senators Cochran and Wicker asking them to bring this bill up for a vote on the Senate floor before the end of the session. We will keep you posted on all the developments on this bill.

Implementation of Healthcare Reform Begins

On yesterday, September 23rd, employers across the country began to switch gears from preparing for health care reform to implementing the first major policy changes. Here are some highlights:

- **Extension of Dependent Coverage.** While the law states that employers must comply with the new eligibility rules on or after September 23, 2010, many employers will likely opt for the "after" option. The law allows employers to wait to adopt the new policies until their next plan year begins. That means, if your plan has an April 1 plan year, you can wait until spring 2011 to officially invite dependents up to age 26 onto your plan.
- **Elimination of Lifetime Limits.** While lifetime limits on health coverage will be eliminated immediately, annual limits may be around for another few years as they won't be prohibited until 2013.
- **Elimination of Cost-Sharing for Preventive Care.** Immunizations, mammograms, and other preventive services must not be subject to cost-sharing of any kind (e.g., copay or deductible).
- **Prohibition of Emergency Room Preauthorization.** Not only will plans no longer be allowed to require preauthorization for emergency room visits, they will also be barred from imposing a different cost-sharing amount if the emergency room is out-of-network.
- **Prohibition on Preexisting Condition Exclusions for Children.** Preexisting condition exclusions are first barred for children under 19 years of age. In 2013, such exclusions are banned altogether.
- **W-2 Reporting.** Employers must show the full cost of health coverage on each employee's W-2.
- **Limit on Flexible Spending Account Contributions.** Employees may contribute no more than \$2,500 annually to flexible spending accounts.
- **Breast-feeding Breaks.** Nursing mothers must be given reasonable periodic breaks to pump milk during the first year following a child's birth. Employers are further obligated to provide a private place to pump other than a bathroom.

Looking for some good resources on these and other healthcare reforms? Try these:

1. [The Commonwealth Fund's Health Reform Resource Center](#)
2. [Kaiser Family Foundation brief](#)
3. [Fact Sheet issued by the Department of Health and Human Services](#)
4. [Final Interim Regulations issued by the Department of Labor](#)
5. [Employee Benefits Security Administration FAQs](#)

New Issue Brief Highlights Health Center Opportunities and Challenges in National Health Reform

A new issue brief from The Kaiser Family Foundation's Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, co-authored by Commission staff and researchers at the George Washington University's Geiger Gibson/RCHN Community Health Foundation Research Collaborative, examines the role of health centers in national health reform and the issues that will affect health center expansion to meet the growing need for primary health care. [Community Health Centers: Opportunities and Challenges of Health Reform](#) describes the provisions of the Affordable Care Act that will help determine the growth and success of health centers in the coming years, including expanded coverage for low income populations, direct financing to establish and expand health centers in the communities in which they are needed, and new health workforce investments, particularly in the National Health Service Corps. The report also reviews the key opportunities and challenges that health centers will face, including recruiting and retaining qualified health professionals, moving toward greater health system integration to promote access to the full range of health care, and joining with other key community stakeholders to achieve prevention and public health gains.

Number of Uninsured Reaches Historical High

This week, the U.S. Census Bureau released the latest data on the number of Americans without health insurance. The number rose to 50.7 million in 2009, from 46.3 million in 2008, the highest level since the Census Bureau began collecting this data in 1987. Reflecting the nation's high unemployment rate, the record increase in the numbers of people who lack health coverage was driven by a dramatic drop-off in private insurance, especially in employer-sponsored insurance. Last year, nearly 7 million people lost coverage they had previously obtained through an employer. These numbers illustrate the harsh toll the recession has taken on millions of Americans' access to health care and highlight the urgent need for those provisions of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) designed to provide middle-class families with affordable options if they lose coverage through their jobs.

FQHC Financial Health Focus of New Reports

Capital Link has announced the release of two comprehensive [reports](#) prepared for the California HealthCare Foundation that highlight the importance of California community health centers to the state's primary care and safety net system, particularly for low-income, uninsured and underinsured individuals and families. The reports, which provide a picture of clinics' financial health between 2005 and 2008, demonstrate that many clinics continue to struggle financially despite growth in terms of revenue, patients, encounters and staff. The reports also examine the major factors and characteristics that may contribute to the financial success or duress of health centers.

Preventing Intimate Partner & Sexual Violence Against Women Manual Now Available

The World Health Organization in partnership with the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine has launched the Preventing Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Against Women: Taking Action and Generating Evidence manual. The [manual](#) was developed with input from a panel of globally recognized experts to help policymakers and planners develop effective programs.

FDA Approves Protopam Chloride for Pediatric Poisoning Treatment

The U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA) has [announced](#) approval for pediatric use of a drug used to treat poisoning by organophosphate pesticides and chemicals called Protopam Chloride (pralidoxime chloride). It is approved to be administered either by intramuscular or intravenous route. Even though it has been widely used in treating poisoning of pediatric patients for years, the new labeling will include new dosing information for children and give providers a safe and effective way to administer this drug.

FDA Also Approves New Gout Medication Treatment

The FDA also [approved](#) Krystexxa (pegloticase) to treat the painful condition of gout for adults who do not respond to or who cannot tolerate conventional therapy.

Economic Benefits of Smoking Cessation Quantified

The American Lung Association released a new study called [Smoking Cessation: The Economic Benefits](#). This study was conducted by the same research team, from Penn State University, who did the original study in Pennsylvania in 2008.

KAISER FAMILY FOUNDATION LAUNCHES ONLINE HEALTH REFORM SOURCE TO EXPLAIN, ANALYZE AND TRACK THE NEW LAW'S IMPLEMENTATION

New Initial Features Include Animated Movie Explaining the Law, Policy and Public Opinion Monitoring, and State-

Specific Data

MENLO PARK, Calif. -- Nearly six months since the signing of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and as some key provisions are due to be implemented, the Kaiser Family Foundation today launched an online gateway providing easy access to new and comprehensive resources on the health reform law. Recognizing the transition from the debate about passage to the realities of implementing a law, the *Health Reform Source*, <http://healthreform.kff.org>, has many new features that provide explanations of the basics of the law, in-depth analysis of policy issues in implementation, and quick and easy access to relevant data, studies and developments.

The **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Community Health Leaders** program each year honors outstanding and otherwise unrecognized individuals who overcome daunting odds to improve health and healthcare, especially to underserved populations in communities across the United States. The program aims to elevate the work of these unsung heroes through enhanced recognition, technical assistance, and new leadership opportunities. The program will make up to ten awards in the amount of \$125,000 each for the 2011 cycle. Each new leader will receive a personal award of \$20,000 to recognize his or her accomplishments and \$105,000 to support a defined two-year project at the organization with which the leader is associated. [Link to Complete RFP](#)

Due to scheduled maintenance, the **Internet-based Provider Enrollment, Chain and Ownership System (PECOS)** will be unavailable from September 29 through October 3. Internet-based PECOS allows physicians, non-physician practitioners, providers, and other suppliers to enroll or make a change to their existing Medicare enrollment information over the Internet. If you would like to enroll or make a change to your existing Medicare enrollment record, you can do either of the following:

- Use Internet-based PECOS prior to Sep 29 or after Oct 3.
- Complete and submit the paper Medicare provider enrollment applications(s) (CMS-855) along with any required supporting documentation and mail the application(s) to the appropriate Medicare carrier, fiscal intermediary, or A/B MAC. The CMS-855 forms are downloadable from the CMS forms page: www.cms.hhs.gov/cmsforms.

Health Reform Law encourages providers to develop innovative community-based partnerships for the delivery of health care services to all populations, with a particular emphasis on the underserved. The time is now for health centers nationwide to explore how they can position themselves to not only take part in these new opportunities, but also to lead the way in establishing successful community partnerships utilizing some "tried and true" approaches as well as some exciting new partnering techniques. NACHC, along with co-sponsors Feldesman Tucker Leifer Fidell LLP, invite you to participate in this new webinar series. The **Community Partnerships Introductory Webinar Series** is a three-part webinar series designed to provide health centers with: an overview of what to expect from; explanations of how to implement; and insight on challenges of a new community partnership. The series is broken into three webinar sessions.

1. Session #1: Key Operational Concepts for Collaborations; October 13th (2-3:30pm Eastern)
2. Session #2: Key Financial Concepts for Collaborations; October 20th (2-3:30pm Eastern)
3. Session #3: Community Partnerships 101: Keeping Your Collaboration Arrangements Legally Compliant; October 27th (2-3:30pm Eastern)

Flu Vaccine for Pregnant & Postpartum Women Highly Encouraged

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the American Medical Association, the March of Dimes and other medical groups have released a [letter](#) urging all health care providers to encourage pregnant and postpartum women to get the flu vaccine. Pregnant women with flu have a higher rate of increased complications, including hospitalization and death. Therefore pregnant women should get vaccinated not only for themselves but to protect their babies against the flu. Flu vaccine administration is safe during the course of a pregnancy. You can access the [CDC website](#) for other seasonal flu vaccination resources for health professionals.

FDA Approves New Drug for Reduction of Multiple Sclerosis Relapses

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved [Gilenya](#) (fingolimod) to reduce relapses and delay disability progressions in patients with relapsing forms of multiple sclerosis (MS). The medication works by blocking some blood cells in lymph nodes thereby reducing their migration to the brain and spinal cord and helping to reduce the severity of MS.

Report Released on Patient Centered Medical Home Models

A [report](#) by the Deloitte Center for Health Solutions examines the patient-centered medical home (PCMH). The report outlines the current state of the PCMH under new federal health reform legislation, reviews results from several pilot programs and discusses the changes that may occur as the PCMH moves forward. The report finds that "patient outcomes improve and costs are lower with PCMH implementation, but start-up and maintenance costs are high. In particular, fixed costs for information technologies and a multi-disciplinary care team are substantial."

RESOURCES

HHS Launches Spanish Version of Healthcare.gov

The U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) has launched the [Spanish version of its healthcare.gov website](#). This website will allow Spanish-speaking Americans to get information about the Affordable Care Act, insurance coverage options, federally qualified health centers, and much more so that they can make better choices about their healthcare in the age of healthcare reform. It is important to note that this website will not collect or store any information nor is it selling anything. Please share this website with Spanish-speaking patients in your centers.

Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is Offering Tips to Avoid Deceptive Practices Regarding Obtaining Affordable Health Care:

- **Order and distribute materials** about medical discount plan scams and related topics. You can order these and other consumer education materials *for free* at ftc.gov/bulkorder.
- **Visit FTC consumer education websites** on medical discount plans at www.ftc.gov/medicaldiscountscams...as well as

other health-related topics such as choosing products and services, learning the truth about so-called miracle cures and more at www.ftc.gov/health. These sites contain information on how consumers can spot and avoid scams, and about enforcement actions the FTC has taken to stop them. The content and graphics are copyright free – so you can use them in your newsletter, website and other materials.

- **Urge people to file complaints** if they've seen a scam. Go to ftc.gov/complaint or call **1-877-FTC-HELP**.

Please contact Lisa Lake, Bureau of Consumer Protection/Division of Consumer and Business Education at the Federal Trade Commission, 202-326-2345 or llake@ftc.gov with any questions.

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