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UPCOMING EVENTS

TACHC CPI Webcast: Privacy and Security of Patient Information
March 21, 9-11am CST

REGISTER NOW FOR PART 1 NEXT FRIDAY!

Get your HIPAA update! Jonathan Ishee, JD, MPH, MS, LLM, Assistant

Professor at the School of Biomedical Informatics at the UT Health Science Center at Houston will join Cecile Carson, TACHC Associate General Counsel, and Todd Radloff, TACHC Director of Information Technology, to present current federal and Texas requirements for health center patient information in detail and an update on enforcement activity for privacy and security requirements of FQHCs and their staff.

This is Part 1 of 2. After Part 1, you will receive a survey, the results of which will be aggregated and shared by TACHC staff in Part 2. In Part 2, a webcast set for April 18 9-11am, TACHC staff will present recommendations to address any CPI issues the survey reveals and present case scenarios involving health center privacy and security breaches. Register for the 2-part series by **CLICKING HERE**. Questions? Contact **Cecile Carson at TACHC**.

GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE

ICD-10 Countdown: Prepare Your Community Health Center

The ICD-10 Transition Readiness training materials are now available for access or purchase. For centers who attended ICD-10 Face-to-Face training, the conference registration email also is used to access the TACHC CPI Manual. When you log into the TACHC website, you should see the ICD-10 Readiness Series already in your list on the **PRODUCTS PAGE**. If you do not already have TACHC website access, you will need to request one on the **TACHC HOMEPAGE**. For those of you interested in the ICD-10 Readiness Training but did not attend the Face-to-Face training in San Antonio, you may purchase the videos and tools by going to the **PRODUCTS PAGE** and purchasing the ICD-10 Readiness Series. For more information contact **Davelyn Eaves Hood, Director of Clinical Affairs**.

GROUP PURCHASING

OPA Database and Clinic Sites Registration

For a health center to be eligible for 340B pricing, the center must be listed in the **Office of Pharmacy Affairs (OPA) database**. **For a patient to be eligible to fill a prescription at 340B pricing, the health center SITE that has the patient encounter must be in the database as well.** Make certain that any and all of the health center sites listed in the EHB are also listed in the OPA database. This includes **ALL** satellite sites and mobile units, even if they are not dispensing pharmacy at that site or even if they do not have a pharmacy at that site. For example, if the EHB has 8 sites listed, the OPA database needs to have all 8 sites listed as well (address information needs to match EXACTLY).

April 1st is not too far away. April 1-15 will be your next window to register a new site to be eligible for 340B pricing. If registration occurs during this window, the site will be eligible for 340B pricing effective July 1st. **CLICK HERE** for more information and for a chart outlining the quarterly registration windows and the

effective dates. If you have any questions or need more information, **please contact Lynn Ford.**

Direct Relief's Replenishment Program

Direct Relief is now expanding its Replenishment Program with an ongoing supply of medicines through a bulk patient assistant program. Members with a Class A pharmacy are eligible for the program. For more details **CLICK HERE.**

Cardinal Health, Pharmacy Distribution, Flu Vaccine Pre-book For 2014/15

Cardinal Health, Pharmacy Distribution, has an offering for flu vaccine pre-booking for the 2014/15 flu season. **CLICK HERE** for details of the various manufacturers and their prices.

OUTREACH

TACHC Online Reporting Tool Shows Nearly 69,000 Assists!

32 health centers use TACHC's online reporting tool to track Certified Application Counselor (CAC) number of assists, applications submitted, and estimated number of individuals enrolled in a health insurance program. Of the 32 health centers, nearly 69,000 assists have been provided during open enrollment which has resulted in over 7,700 individual patients enrolled in health coverage.

As open enrollment gets closer, we expect these figures to grow as more patients are provided assistance by health center CACs and other outreach and enrollment staff. For more information about CAC outreach and enrollment efforts or the TACHC online reporting tool, contact **Sonia Lara.**

R&R

TACHC Congrats to Community Health Development, Inc. for New Hire!

Andrew Tullman PA-C, a TACHC referral, has accepted an offer from CHDI for their Physician Assistant position. If your center has an opportunity that you would like us to help you recruit for, **CLICK HERE** and complete the easy online position profile. Have questions or need assistance? Contact **April Sartor, Recruitment Dept. Program Assistant at TACHC.**

NEWS

Congratulations to **Community Health Service Agency, Inc's** Cooper CHC and PCMH team for receiving National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Level II Recognition!

Congratulations to **Nancy Gilliam, TACHC Community Development**

Specialist, on achieving Certified Content Expert with the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) on Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH)!

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