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NEWS



TACHC Celebrates 35 Years at 35th Annual Conference

All told, more than 300 people (counting exhibitors and speakers) gathered at the Hyatt Regency in Austin for the TACHC 35th Annual Conference from October 28-October 31. Health center leaders and staff celebrated 35 years of TACHC history and looked forward with the theme "Championing Health Futures." Sessions provided a wealth of knowledge on subjects for community health center staff to take home and use within their centers and clinics. The TACHC Timeline, a 30-foot display was unveiled at the reception on Monday evening, giving folks a great view of TACHC's history over the past 35 years. Speaker, humorist and author Ron Culberson left attendees with an inspiring message in the closing session Do it Well, Make it Fun: "*Excellence combined with fun and humor can improve productivity, create better working relationships, enhance creativity, improve the workplace culture, and lead to the delivery of better services.*" Click below to:

- [View Conference photos](#)
- [See the Timeline Historical Narrative](#)
- [Submit a form to share your TACHC memories!](#)

Note: Audio recordings of the sessions, combined with the presentations will be available by November 23.

Early Voting Ends Today November 2

Make sure you are registered so your voice can be heard! The General Election will take place on **Tuesday, November 6**, 2018. Early voting wraps up today **Friday, November 2**, 2018. Find out everything you need to know about [voting in Texas here](#).

 **Happy TACHCiversary!** 

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Happy TACHCiversary to the following: Lee Davila since November 13, 2000; Lisa Allen since November 1, 2001; and, RexAnn Shotwell since November 16, 2012. Thank you for your commitment to TACHC!

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You can use this month to raise awareness about diabetes risk factors and encourage people to make healthy

changes. Here are just a few ideas:

- Encourage people to make small changes, like taking the stairs instead of the elevator.
- Talk to people in your community about getting regular checkups. They can get their blood pressure and cholesterol checked, and ask the doctor about their diabetes risk.
- Ask doctors and nurses to be leaders in their communities by speaking about the importance of healthy eating and physical activity.
- **Click here for the American Diabetes Month toolkit**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

UDS Training – Save the Date!

December 5 • *More information coming soon*

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OUTREACH



Federal Marketplace Open Enrollment is Happening Now

Open Enrollment is underway now through December 15, 2018. With drastic cuts to Federal Navigator funding, it is imperative that all health centers do their part in assisting their patients and communities enroll in coverage. Please see the attached graph and feel free to use if you'd like to promote the [My Texas My Health website](#), which allows the public to search for free outreach and enrollment services through our community health centers. To enroll online, visit <http://www.healthcare.gov> for English or <https://cuidadodesalud.gov> for Spanish. **Use the Open Enrollment Flyer to spread the word!**

POLICY

Long-acting Reversible Contraceptives (LARC) Resources

Increasing access to long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARC) is a priority for TACHC. Below are several LARC training and educational opportunities provided by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) available to any interested person, not just ACOG members:

- This [website](#) offers free, downloadable resources on immediate postpartum LARC, including ACOG clinical guidance, training and contraceptive counseling materials, insertion videos, up-to-date research, patient education materials, billing and coding resources, and more. You can request a training for your institution or ask questions about the Postpartum Contraceptive Access Initiative (PCAI) by [submitting an inquiry](#), or by emailing pcai@acog.org.
- The ACOG LARC Program has released a [LARC video series](#), created in collaboration with the [Innovating Education in Reproductive Health](#) project at the Bixby Center at the University of California, San Francisco.

- ACOG recently updated its guidance on adolescents and LARC with [Committee Opinion #735: Adolescents and Long-Acting Reversible Contraception - Implants and Intrauterine Devices](#). This document provides updated information on LARC methods and the safety and effectiveness profiles of LARC use in adolescents.
 - "[Immediate Postpartum LARC Implementation: Systems and Sustainability](#)," a webinar detailing the stages of implementation for immediate postpartum LARC programs is now available on the [ACOG LARC Program website](#). The webinar addresses clinician training, patient-provider communication, supply chain aspects, and billing and coding approaches of successful immediate postpartum LARC programs. No ACOG login is required.
 - Get your questions answered by submitting a ticket on the [Help Desk home page](#). You'll receive status updates and a response to your question at the email address you provide. If you create a [LARC Program Help Desk](#) account, in addition to viewing your current ticket, you can review answers to past tickets at any time. The Help Desk is free and open to the public.
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CLINICAL

What Does it Take to Become Trauma-Informed? Lessons from Early Adopters

Through the [Advancing Trauma-Informed Care](#) initiative, and with support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, CHCS convened six innovators in the field to build on their existing trauma-informed efforts and share lessons nationally. The Urban Institute recently conducted an implementation analysis, [Early Adopters of Trauma-Informed Care: An Implementation Analysis of the Advancing Trauma-Informed Care Grantees](#) which reveals key elements that successful trauma-informed organizations have in common. [Read more »](#)

Webinar Recording Available: Introduction to the 2018 UDS Clinical Measures

The webinar HRSA hosted earlier this month provided detailed information on how to report clinical measures through understanding the framework of the clinical tables (Tables 6A, 6B, and 7). [View the recording](#). Find the presentation, links to other webinar recordings, and more on the [UDS Resources page](#).

Promoting Professionalism: Addressing Behaviors that Undermine Accountability, Reliability, and a Culture of Safety

November 6, 11:00 a.m. CST • [Register](#)

Join HRSA's next Patient Safety Leadership Speaker Series webinar featuring Gerald Hickson, M.D., one of the world's leading experts on how disruptive practitioner behavior impacts patient safety and litigation risk. Dr. Hickson will discuss strategies to identify high-risk practitioners, address negative behaviors, and promote organizational support for accountability, reliability and a culture of safety. Hosted by ECRI Institute on behalf of HRSA.

Mastering Supervisory Skills

November 7, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. San Antonio Area Foundation, 303 Pearl Parkway, Suite 114, (San Antonio, TX) • [Details/Registration](#)

This class is designed to introduce new and existing managers/leaders to theory, tools, and tips to establish and retain open communications with employees, peers, and executives that will build high performance work teams. The discussion includes having the necessary conversations and plans needed to develop employees.

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RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

Does your center have openings for clinical providers or executive management that you would like us to help recruit? [Complete the TACHC online position profile](#). Contact [Jonathan Davis](#) for more information.

Did you know that the TACHC Weekly Wrap-Up is available to ALL TACHC members and ALL your staff?
Share this link with your health center staff to sign up for the Wrap!

Don't miss out. Follow TACHC on **Facebook** and **Twitter**.

Send **NEWS** about your health center to be considered for inclusion in the TACHC Weekly Wrap-Up to TACHC Wrap Editor **Brom Hoban**.

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