



TACHC Weekly Wrap-Up

The Heartbeat of Texas Community Health Centers

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Retail Pharmacy Contracting Readiness

TACHC and 340Basics are hosting a webcast on Thursday, May 21st, 2:00-3:00pm CT on the importance of compliance and being ready for an audit when a health center contracts with a retail pharmacy. There is no fee to attend the webcast, but registration is necessary. Register for the session. If you have any questions, please contact either **Lynn Ford** or **Colleen DiClaudio** with 340Basics.

Join TACHC at Clinical Directors' Institute 2015

We're thrilled to invite you to this year's Clinical Directors' Institute, Focusing Care by Expanding Your Vision, on July 17th and 18th in Frisco, TX. We will use diabetes as a lens to look at improving care, with the understanding that lessons learned from diabetes care can apply to other chronic conditions. We will expand our definitions of health and patient-centered care to better understand the realities of our patients' lives and better meet their needs. Conference agenda and more information to follow. Please contact **Lynn Silver** with questions. Please email **TaSheena Mitchell** to register.

GOVERNANCE and FINANCE

Sign-Up Drive: TACHC Weekly Wrap Up

Did you know that as a member of TACHC any of your staff or board can receive the TACHC Weekly Wrap Up, the up-to-the-minute lowdown on information pertinent to Texas CHCs from the past week? Contact TACHC Communications Director **Andrea Abel** if you would like to sign up.

POLICY

Texas Legislative Update- Deadlines!

As the 84th Legislative Session enters its final weeks, critical deadlines to keep bills alive begin to pass. **Go here to see details on the most pertinent deadlines.** Contact **Shelby Massey** with questions.

OUTREACH

Free Training Sessions for Outreach and Enrollment Staff

The TACHC OE team wants to remind you of some **FREE** in-person training sessions we can provide to your health center OE staff. The following areas of support are currently being offered: a YourTexasBenefits.com overview and demonstration, Medicaid and CHIP outreach and enrollment assistance, support using TACHC's online reporting tool and a refresher on voter registration assistance. To schedule a free training at your health center or request more

information please contact **RexAnn Shotwell**.

GROUP PURCHASING

Retail Pharmacy Contracting Readiness: see Upcoming Events

CLINICAL AFFAIRS

ICD-9 to ICD-10 Transition: Is Your Organization Prepared?

Here are 3 resources to help you prepare:

- 1) How ready is your EHR? Here is a short, useful resource with **10 questions to ask your vendor to help prepare you for the transition**.
- 2) Mark your calendars: **Final TACHC ICD-10 training with coding expert Marilyn Masick**, Saturday, July 18th, Frisco, TX (running concurrently with our Clinical Directors Institute). Training will be geared toward biller/coders and clinicians. Additionally, July to October, we will provide regular emails with readiness tips to ensure you are prepared to go-live.
- 3) **Health HIV has a free ICD-10 implementation webcast**, Wednesday, May 28, 2015, 2:00-3:30pm CT. By the end of the training you will understand the key differences between the ICD-9 codes and new ICD-10 codes; and, learn essential steps necessary to help ensure that your organization is ready to implement ICD-10.

BPHC Promotores de Salud Models Webcast

Join BPHC Tuesday, May 19, 2015, 1:00–2:00pm, for the second in a four-part Migrant Health Program series to highlight innovative Promotores de Salud models and their impact on improving access and quality health care. The webcast will be conducted in Spanish only. **View the webcast the day of the session**. Connect to the audio line using 1-888-989-3416; Participant Code: 5998688.

Association of Clinicians for the Underserved Annual Conference

The ACU annual conference in Alexandria, VA on June 1-3 will be on the theme Empowering Clinicians & Communities. **Find more information here**.

Webcast: Addressing the Social Determinants of Health at Asian American, Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander Health Centers

BPHC is hosting a webcast on Wednesday, May 20, 1-2pm CST to highlight how addressing the social determinants of health at Asian American, Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander health centers can positively impact access to quality health care. This webcast will feature speakers from the Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations and Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center. **View the webcast the day of the session**.

Healthy People 2020 Tobacco Webcast

Join this Healthy People 2020 webinar on Thursday, May 21, from 11am-12pm CT to learn about activities and interventions related to tobacco cessation and prevention. The webcast will explore the importance of tobacco cessation efforts and the progress being made to address this public health issue. **View more information and register for the webcast.**

2-1-1 Texas

2-1-1 Texas is a free 24/7 help line that connects to nearly every service in the state, including government agencies, food pantries, career services, after-school programs and counseling services. **During any statewide disaster response, a special option is activated to point callers directly to disaster-related information.** Find more information on 2-1-1 Texas **HERE** or **HERE**.

Flash Flood Information

Except for heat related fatalities, more deaths occur from flooding than any other hazard. Why? Most people fail to realize the power of water. For example, six inches of fast-moving flood water can knock you off your feet. **Want to learn more?** Or, here's information on **Turn Around, Don't Drown**.

Patient-Centric Lab Reports

LabCorp has launched a patient-centric reporting function for TACHC members' patients for chronic kidney disease with eGFR values of <60 and for diabetes patients with A1C>6.4 or serum creatinine or urine albumin or urine protein or LDL-cholesterol. Review the **press release** and a **sample report**. Contact **Lynn Ford** with questions.

Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Military Culture Training for Community Providers

The **Military Cultural Awareness Training** invests in people development, workforce engagement and talent management to improve the delivery of high quality healthcare, benefits and other services to Veterans and their families. No registration or special login is required. Advance Training (no login required).

Military Culture: Core Competencies for Healthcare Professionals consists of four module trainings that provide a basic clinical understanding of military culture for health care providers. Health center staff can receive accreditation for these modules at no cost. To access these modules, you will be required to create a VHA TRAIN login.

Military Culture: Core Competencies for Healthcare Professionals VHA Train (login required)

Module 1: **Self-Assessment/Intro to Military Ethos**

Module 2: **Military Organization and Roles**

Module 3: **Stressors and Resources**

Module 4: **Treatment, Resources, and Tools**

NEWS

Please welcome **Cactus Health Services** and **CEO Michael Corkrum** of Fort Stockton as a new member of TACHC.

Send NEWS about your health center to be considered for inclusion in the TACHC Weekly Wrap-Up to TACHC Communications Director **Andrea Abel**.

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