



TACHC Weekly Wrap-Up

The Heartbeat of Texas Community Health Centers

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UPCOMING EVENTS

[Save the Date! HHSC Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive \(LARC\) FQHC Carve-Out Webcast](#)

TACHC and the Texas Health and Human Services Commission will present a

webcast on Wednesday, November 11 at 11:00am CT for FQHCs on the upcoming changes to LARC reimbursement for health centers. Starting January 1, 2016, FQHCs will be able to receive an additional reimbursement for LARC devices in Medicaid and the Texas Women's Health Program. This webcast will focus on the details of how those claims should be billed to receive the additional reimbursement. More details to come. Contact **Shelby Massey** with questions.

Behavioral Health Summit, November 19-20, San Antonio

Agenda now posted online. In collaboration with the Texas Council of Community Centers and the Department of State Health Services' Division for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, we have come up with an exciting lineup covering a host of important topics including integration of services, culturally-informed care, pain and substance abuse, and trauma-informed care. Our target audiences are both FQHCs and Local Mental Health Authorities with a goal of connecting each other to better address the challenges of taking care of our complex patient population. We encourage you to reach out to your LMHA and invite them to join you in San Antonio, as collaboration can help improve outcomes. ***Please note that the deadline for booking your hotel room at the group rate is this Sunday, November 1st.*** Call the Menger Hotel at 210-223-1328 by November 1st to receive the group rate of \$129/night. For more information about the Summit, the hotel, or to register, please click **HERE**. For all other questions, please contact **Sharad Kohli**.

SAVE THE DATE! UDS Training, December 3, Austin

Make your discounted group reservation of \$135/night by Wednesday, November 11, 2015 **HERE** or at 800-347-0330. **More information.**

CLINICAL AFFAIRS

Opioid Abuse in the U.S.: An Urgent Public Health Crisis Webcast

On Monday, November 2, 2015, from 2:00pm – 3:30pm CT, the National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM) Foundation is hosting a webcast to feature innovative efforts to reverse opioid abuse trends. **Check out the draft agenda and register for this webinar.**

Webcast: Protecting Pesticide Applicators - What FQHCs Need to Know

Join Farmworker Justice on Monday, November 2, at 1:00pm CT to discuss pesticide exposure risk for certified and non-certified pesticide applicators, recent proposed EPA regulations to strengthen certified pesticide applicator protections and the role health centers can play to mitigate risks. Register **HERE**. Contact **Virginia Ruiz** at Farmworker Justice for more information.

Rethinking the Role of the Medical Assistants on the Primary Care Team

The Migrant Clinicians Network is hosting this **webcast** on November 18th from 1-2pm CT to highlight effective strategies to integrate medical assistants in primary care in order to enhance patient care and improve the clinical workflow.

Free 2-1-1 Resources Available to Connect Patients to Services

2-1-1 Texas is a free help line answered 24 hours a day, seven days a week. 2-1-1 Texas is connected to nearly every service in the state, including government agencies, food pantries, career services, after-school programs, counseling services. Requests for 211 cards/brochures can be made to the United Way of Greater Austin, **Cathy Swan** and **Laura Juarez** or at 512-687-7451.

Free Online Early Detection of Child Maltreatment Training Available

More than 70 percent of medical providers either miss or don't report incidences of child abuse. This **free online training** from Cook Children's Medical Center can help providers and staff better recognize signs of child abuse.

GROUP PURCHASING

Agreement with Best Buy

Centers who are enrolled with the ViP Program - the TACHC endorsed purchasing program with NACHC - there is now a Best Buy contract with competitive pricing on more than 150,000 items available to access. **More information.** If you have any questions, please contact **Lynn Ford**.

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TACHC Upcoming Recruiting Events

A.T. Still University Conference, Nov. 3 – Nov. 4

JPS Job Fair, Nov. 10

TAFP, Nov. 12 – Nov. 14

Does your center have openings for clinical providers or executive management that you would like us to help you recruit for? Complete the **TACHC online position profile**. Contact **Danielle Ramos**, TACHC Recruitment Dept. Program Assistant for more information.

Congratulations for a New Hire to CentroMed & Nuestra Clinica!

We'd like to welcome TACHC referral **Mr. Timothy Peterson** who accepted an offer for the Physician Assistant position with Nuestra Clinica and **Dr. Felicia Williams**, also a TACHC referral, who accepted an offer for the Internal Medicine Physician position with Centro Med!

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OUTREACH

TACHC CAC Webcast: The Vital Role of a Community Partner Program Site Manager & New Certification Requirements

The next TACHC quarterly webcast for outreach and enrollment staff is Thursday, November 5th from 12:00pm – 1:00pm CST. The objective of this webcast is to provide a clear understanding of the CPP site manager's role, assigning a Site Manager for your health center and the importance of this role given the new certification requirements. Additionally, we will provide a list of FAQs that TACHC has been receiving for the new background check certification requirements under the CPP. For more information, contact **RexAnn Shotwell**.

NEWS

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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