



TACHC Weekly Wrap-Up

The Heartbeat of Texas Community Health Centers

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[CFO Data Driven Decision Making, January 12-13, San Antonio](#)

For more information and to register. To receive special group rate at the **Omni San Antonio Hotel at the Colonnade**, please make reservation by **December 14**. [Click here](#) or call 1-800-THE-OMNI for reservations. This training is designed for those who have some knowledge and context of a community health center finance department program and the typical day to day decisions that are made by finance department personnel. It is optimum to have a minimum of 6 months experience in order to get the most out of the training, but all are welcome.

[Webinar: How to Complete 2015 UDS Reports Public Housing Residents Count](#)

Community Health Partners for Sustainability is hosting a webinar Tuesday, December 8, noon– 1:00pm CT. Health Center Program grantees and look-alikes, regardless of population-based funding, are required to report the number of public housing patients in their UDS submission. The Community Health Partners for Sustainability is hosting this webinar to further explain the most recent public housing reporting requirement and required methodology. **Register for the webinar. Click for more information.** For questions, contact **Alex Lehr O'Connell** or 215-821-4004.

[Webinar: National CLAS Standards in Health & Health Care for MSAWs](#)

BPHC is hosting a webcast, Tuesday, December 8 from 1:00 – 2:00pm ET, that is the last in a four-part Migrant health Program Series that highlights successful and innovative practices at health centers using the National CLAS Standards and their impact on improving access and quality health care for agricultural workers and their families. **View the webinar the day of the session.** Connect to the audio line using 1-888-989-3416; Participant passcode: 5998688.

GOVERNANCE and FINANCE

[Budget Period Progress Report \(BPR\) Non-Competing Continuation \(NCC\) Submission Schedule](#)

On Monday, November 30, 2015, BPHC released the FY 2016 BPR NCC application (HRSA-H80-16-008) for grantees with a June 1, 2016 budget period start date. Health centers should check their most recent Notice of Award (NoA) for project period and budget period details. BPR submissions for June 1, 2016 starts are due in HRSA Electronic Handbooks (EHBs) by 4:00pm, CT on Friday, January 22, 2016. Instructions and technical assistance materials are available

on the **BPR technical assistance website**.

Reminder: HRSA FY 2015 New Access Points Implementation

Health centers that received a NAP award in August 2015 are approaching the 120-day implementation deadline to verify all proposed sites as open and operational. If a NAP site's implementation will occur past the December 9th deadline, BPHC will follow a progressive action process which provides additional time to meet the requirement. Please contact the center's assigned BPHC Project Officer for guidance if the center will not meet the initial 120-day NAP deadline. For more information about NAP site implementation and progressive action see the NAP implementation presentation that was e-mailed to all August NAP award recipients on August 30, 2015.

Service Area Competition (SAC) Application Deadline Reminder for May 1, 2016 Starts

Applications in response to the FY 2016 SAC FOA (HRSA-16-007) for service areas with a May 1, 2016 project start date are due to Grants.gov by 10:59pm, CT on Wednesday, December 2, 2015 and in HRSA's Electronic Handbooks (EHB) by 4:00pm, CT on Thursday, December 17, 2015. Technical assistance materials are available on the **SAC Technical Assistance web site**.

HRSA Oral Health Service Expansion Grant Funding Available

This HRSA Oral Health Service expansion funding is available to applicants from existing Health Center Program award recipients funded under section 330(e), (g), (h) and/or (i) of the Public Health Service Act. HRSA expects to award 285 grants totaling \$100,000,000. The deadline to apply is January 19, 2016. **More information available here.**

CLINICAL AFFAIRS

Webinar: What to Do About the New UDS Dental Sealant Measure

The National Network for Oral Health Access (NNOHA) is hosting a webinar on Monday, December 7, from 10:30am -12:00pm CT to give an overview of the new UDS dental sealant measure that health centers will be required to report for 2015. The webinar will cover how to calculate this measure using electronic data and introduce quality improvement strategies for data collection and measure improvement. **Register for the webinar.** (Note: Please use Firefox or IE to access the registration link.)

Webinar: Empowering People to Manage their Diabetes

Healthy People 2020 is offering a **webcast on strategies to provide formal diabetes self-management education to patients with a diagnosis of diabetes.** The most recent state-level data for Texas shows that 60.1% of these people receive the proper education. The goal for 2020 is very close: 62.5%. How is your health center faring in this measure? If you'd like to learn more, the

webcast will be on Thursday, December 10, from 11:30am – 1pm CT.

Webinar: Caring for Transgender Children & Adolescents in Primary Care

The **National LGBT Health Education Center is hosting a webinar** on Wednesday, December 16 from 1-2pm CT to highlight effective methods for health centers to use in caring for gender dysphoric children and adolescents within a primary care setting.

POLICY

TACHC's Comments on Proposed Healthy Texas Women & Family Planning Benefit Packages

TACHC recently submitted comments recommending both that the Healthy Texas Women program cover chronic conditions diagnosed through the program and that HHSC not limit the number of visits women can receive at an FQHC. Additionally, TACHC supported HHSC's proposal to add prenatal services to the Family Planning program. **The full comments can be found here. TACHC's recommended revisions to the rules can be found here.** For more information, contact **Olga Rodriguez**.

GROUP PURCHASING

American Hospital Association's 340B Video

The American Hospital Association has developed a brief video on why to protect the 340B drug pricing program. **Click here to watch the video.**

OUTREACH

Webinar: The Affordable Care Act: Building Health Equity for LGBT People

Join the National LGBT Health Education Center for a webinar on Monday, December 7, 2015 from 2:00 – 3:00pm ET to address strategies that health centers and other organizations can use to enroll LGBT people into affordable insurance options. **View more information and register for this webinar.**

Connecting Kids to Coverage Outreach & Enrollment Funding

CMS announced a funding opportunity to support efforts to reach out to families with children eligible for Medicaid and CHIP to help get them covered and stay covered for as long as they qualify. Approximately 30 cooperative agreement awards will range in size from \$250,000 to \$1 million over a two-year period. Health centers are eligible to apply. **More information.**

To apply go to **www.grants.gov** and search for Funding Opportunity Number: CMS-1Z0-16-001 or CFDA Number: 93.767. Proposals are due January 20, 2016. Contact **CMS_TA@grantreview.org** with additional questions.

NEWS

TACHC is hiring a Clinical Care Coordinator -2 and Database Developer. **View more information or apply.**

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