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TACHC 16th Executive Leadership Initiative Announced

TACHC is pleased to announce the opportunity to participate in its 16th Executive Leadership Initiative, a successful development program supported by the Bureau of Primary Health Care. The Program provides training and technical assistance to help center leadership teams address specific leadership challenges including employee engagement, organizational change management and developing leadership communication skills that can lead to improved staff and patient satisfaction. Assessment of previous participating centers shows that these centers have shown improved staff engagement levels as well as individual leadership skills improvement. The deadline to inform TACHC of your center interest in participating is May 6, 2016. Contact [Daniel Diaz](#) for more information and to receive registration materials.

[More information here.](#)

SAVE THE DATE: TACHC & HHSC to Host Medicaid Re-enrollment “How To” Webinar

Please join us for a webinar with TMHP staff on the ins-and-outs of Medicaid re-enrollment. This two-part webinar is scheduled for May 20th, 9:00-11:00am CT and June 17th, time TBD. Please stay tuned for registration information.

GOVERNANCE and FINANCE

National LGBT Health Education Center: Archived Webinar “Do Ask Do Tell: Collecting Data on Sexual Orientation/Gender Identity in Health Centers” & Sexual Orientation/Gender Identity (SO/GI) Office Hours

HRSA recently issued a [Program Assistance Letter](#) (PAL) detailing approved changes to the Uniform Data System (UDS) to include reporting sexual orientation and gender identity (SO/GI) data in Tables 3A and 3B.

We strongly recommend watching their webinar "[Do Ask, Do Tell! Collecting Data on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity in Health Centers](#)" before participating in office hours. This webinar covers the barriers to care that many LGBT people face, describes inequities in health outcomes for LGBT people and details both how and why to collect SO/GI data in electronic health records. It is available live and on-demand and provides free CME/CEU credit.

On May 4, from 11:00 – 1:00PM CT, The LGBT Education Center will host a SO/GI Office Hours for health center staff. Office Hours will feature Dr. Harvey Makadon, Director of Education and Training Programs and Ms. Chris Grasso, MPH, Associate Director of Informatics and Data Services at Fenway Health to answer questions, detail recommended practices and describe strategies for adding SO/GI questions to registration documents, integration into EHRs and appropriate staff training on how to collect the data. You are invited to [submit questions in advance of the session](#). Participants will also have the opportunity to type in questions live during office hours. [Register for SO/GI Office Hours Here](#).

HRSA Announces FY 2017 New Access Point Opportunity

On April 18, 2016 HRSA released the FY 2017 New Access Points funding opportunity announcement (FOA). Approximately \$50 million will be available for 75 awards to new and existing health centers for operational support of new primary care service delivery sites. [More information](#). Applications are due in [www.grants.gov](#) by 10:59 pm CT on June 17 and in HRSA’s Electronic Handbook (EHB) by 4:00 pm CT on July 15. Applicants must meet BOTH deadlines. Click [HERE](#) for questions.

HRSA Changes to UDS for 2016

The Bureau of Primary Health Care recently conducted a webinar discussing reporting changes for the 2016 Uniform Data System. This year many tables will be impacted with new requirements, some of which involve new data elements. [HERE](#) are the slides from the webinar, if you have any questions please contact [Nancy Gilliam](#).

Medicines360’s Hormonal IUD-Liletta Webinar Available

Medicines360 and TACHC hosted a March 29 webinar about the hormonal IUD Liletta. A recording of that webinar is available [HERE](#). The webinar outlines who Medicines360 is, what Liletta is, how it works and how to place orders. If you have any questions, please contact [Lynn Ford](#).

POLICY

Health Texas Women RFP Deadline Extended to May 2nd

HHSC has extended the deadline for providers submitting a [Healthy Texas Women RFP](#). Providers now have until **Monday, May 2nd, 2016 at 2:00PM**. Please refer to the schedule in package 6 through the ESBD website.

Package 6 also highlights changes to the Format and Content section of the RFP. According to the changes, provider will no longer be required to submit **Form D** or **Form E**. However, providers are now required to submit **Form M-1** (Community Education/Program Promotion Calendar). The addendum also

attaches and requires the *HHSC Information Security and Privacy Initial Inquiry (SPI)* form. Also, the Table of Contents and Checklist (Form A) has been revised to reflect these changes. Please contact [Olga Rodriguez](#) with any questions.

CLINICAL AFFAIRS

Start Talking. Stop HIV.

This [national HIV prevention campaign](#) seeks to reduce new HIV infections among gay and bisexual men by encouraging open discussion about a range of HIV prevention strategies among sexual partners. The campaign provides men with practical tools and tips for raising awareness of important HIV prevention topics with their partners. The campaign offers a suite of English and Spanish resources, including a series of materials to raise awareness of pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP).

Working Together Against Lead Exposure

What can your health center do when there is a need to address lead contamination? A national webinar on May 12th from 11am to noon CT will outline how health center staff can support patients and connect them to support services to address lead contamination and exposure, including discussion of tenants' rights and resources for low-income renters, Section 8, and/or public housing resident with lead contamination issues. [Register for the webinar at this link.](#)

May 5 is Children's Mental Health Awareness Day

This year's theme is "Finding Help, Finding Hope." The day includes many events and will explore how communities can increase access to behavioral health services and support for children, youth and young adults who experience mental or substance use disorders and their families. [More information about events and ways to get involved is available at the link.](#)

Using a Trauma-Informed Approach to Care for Border Communities

A [pre-recorded webinar is available on the topic of trauma-informed care](#) – and counts for one hour of continuing education for CHWs. By attending this training, providers will increase use of client centered skills to create a safe environment for all patients, especially those who have experienced trauma. Also, don't forget to join our NEW TACHC Community Health Worker (CHW)/Promotor(a) listserv by sending your name, title, email, health center name and phone number to [Christina Brito-Tigerina!](#)

GROUP PURCHASING

TRUEresult, TRUE2go and TRUEtest Discontinuation

Trividia Health (previously Nipro Diagnostics) will stop shipping the TRUEresult and TRUE2go meters effective immediately and will stop shipping the TRUEtest test strips effective June 1st. Trividia wants to work closely with the centers that are using the TRUEresult and TRUE2go meters to transition over to the TRUE METRIX system.

Cardinal will likely continue to have inventory of meters and test strips for only a number of weeks after Trividia stops shipping. Trividia will provide free meters to help in this process. Find more information [HERE](#) or contact [Chris Gallagher](#) with Trividia Health at (614) 571-0784.

R&R

Congratulations for a New Hire to CentroMed!

We'd like to welcome Matthew Arismendez, a TACHC referral, who accepted an offer for the Physician Assistant position with CentroMed!

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.

NEWS

Congratulations [Community Health Center of Lubbock](#) on the grand opening of your [exciting, innovative new downtown clinic!](#)

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 Communications Director [Andrea Abel](#).

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