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##### Webinar: Health Centers and IRS Form 990, May 19

IRS Form 990s serve to both inform the IRS and the public about the financial status and activities of nonprofits including Community Health Centers. The webinar will be **5:30pm-7:30pm CT, Thursday, May 19** and will provide an overview of key aspects of Form 990 and what Health Center Executives and Board Members should pay attention to when reviewing their center's Form 990. We recommend that all Health Center CEOs, Financial staff and Board Members participate in this webinar. **Registration is required.**

Details on accessing the webinar will be sent to all registrants the week of the webinar. For questions contact **Ramona Whittington**.

##### FTCA University, August 9-10, Austin

Community Health Centers (CHCs) have the valuable option of being deemed covered for malpractice claims by the Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA). To qualify and continue receiving the benefit, CHCs must meet rigorous requirements in the areas of patient safety and quality of care. Join the Bureau of Primary Health Care and TACHC for this two-day conference in Austin, where we will review FTCA basics such as the latest deeming and re-deeming application requirements, including credentialing, quality assurance and risk management elements. We will also get into more advanced topics including who and what are covered, adverse incident analysis, claims management, and prevention of both in particular high risk areas. **More information and to register.**

**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**

### **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](http://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.

## **POLICY**

### **High Education Coordinating Board Planning & Partnership Grants**

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board is [accepting applications for Planning and Partnership Grants](#), which provide support for Texas FQHCs interested in assessing the feasibility of creating a new residency program. The grant will provide up to \$250,000 in grant awards to eligible and selected applicants over a two-year grant funding period, approximately July 1, 2016, to August 31, 2018. The planning grant does not guarantee funding for GME slots. **Notice of Intent Deadline: May 13, 2016.** **Application Deadline: June 1, 2016.** For more information, contact [Suzanne Pickens](#) or at 512-427-6156.

## **CLINICAL AFFAIRS**

### **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](#).

## **R&R**

### **Congratulations for New Hires to HOPE Clinic-Houston and Brownsville CHC!**

We would like to welcome Dr. Smitha Nair, M.D. who has accepted the position of Pediatrician with Asian American, HOPE Clinic in Houston and Dr. Galyna Flink, DDS who has accepted the position of Dentist with Brownsville Community Health Center in Brownsville.

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**

Happy TACHCiversary to **Sonia Lara** (7 years) and **Mell Rosandich** (3 years)!

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