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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

##### **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](#).

##### **Webinar: Texas FQHC Medicaid Re-enrollment, May 20 & June 17**

Please join us for a webinar with Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership 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. **Register here.**

##### **Modeling a Successful Finance Department, July 18-19, Austin**

Join **TACHC and BKD for this 2-day training** which will focus on the components of a health center financial program with detailed discussions regarding internal controls, segregation of duties, managing aspects of significant financial areas, and financial statement processes that should be in place to help the organization prepare for its internal and external reporting requirements. We will address these items in a

practical, detailed manner by working through questions and case studies to help paint a “360 degree” picture of the roles and responsibilities of health center financial staff. **Make hotel reservations by 5:00 PM on June 30th** by calling 1-800-THE-OMNI. The group rate is \$129/single and \$139/double. For questions contact [Daniel Diaz](#).

## **GOVERNANCE and FINANCE**

### **Up to \$35,000 in Supplemental PCMH Funding Available from HRSA**

Health centers that received initial Health Center Program operational grant funding in FY 2012 through April 1, 2016 are eligible to apply for supplemental funding to improve quality of care and patients' and providers' experience of care through the PCMH health care delivery model. Through this [one-time supplemental funding opportunity](#), HRSA will award approximately \$10 million to support eligible health centers to achieve, expand, and/or optimize PCMH recognition, with eligible health centers able to request up to \$35,000 in supplemental funds. **Applications are due by May 31 at 5:00pm EST.**

### **Capital Link National Capital Needs Assessment**

Capital Link is updating its annual national capital needs assessment, with support from HRSA. [By answering just five easy and quick questions](#), your health center will help inform the development of new capital financing programs and technical assistance services for health centers nationwide. Even if your center does not have facility expansion plans in the near future, your participation is still important. For questions contact [Mark Lurtz](#) or [Jonathan Chapman](#).

### **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.

## **CLINICAL AFFAIRS**

### **May is Hepatitis Awareness Month**

Hepatitis testing and treatment has been a big topic at TACHC clinical events this spring. Baylor's Project ECHO Medical Director and Hepatologist, Norman Sussman, spoke at Clinical Conference and invited all Texas health centers to become partners in their telehealth program for Hepatitis C, which is funded by an 1115 waiver and can pay for lab testing! You can learn more by contacting [Lizette Escamilla](#), the project coordinator. Federal and state groups have put together a guide to raise awareness of viral hepatitis and encourage priority populations to get tested: [Hepatitis: Action Steps and Guidelines for Health Centers](#). DSHS has [patient education materials](#) about Hepatitis B and will be hosting a summit on Perinatal Hepatitis B in Austin on July 19-20 – we'll keep you informed about details.

### **Conference and Event Round-Up**

The Healthy Youth Partnership will host a free conference on Thursday, May 19th in Austin about [Empowering Youth in the Digital Age](#). If you're planning to attend the [National Healthcare for the Homeless Conference](#) in Portland, Oregon at the end of this month, registration is open for the conference and for pre-conference institute, including a session titled “You Receive Federal Funding! Why Should We Support You?” featuring an FQHC from Virginia.

## **R&R**

### **Congratulations for a New Hire to Los Barrios Unidos Community Clinic!**

We'd like to welcome [Dr. Farooq Habib](#) a TACHC referral accepted an offer for the Pediatrician position with Los Barrios!

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 to 13 Texas health centers that received over \$12.3 million in funds to renovate and improve health center building infrastructure! [The HRSA funding awards](#) were announced May 4th by HHS Secretary Sylvia Burwell.

Congratulations to [Lone Star Circle of Care](#) for receiving the **Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval** for re-accreditation for their Ambulatory Health Care Program and their Behavioral Health Care Program.

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!](#)

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