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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

##### 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. **Make hotel reservations by 5:00 PM on June 30th** by calling 1-800-THE-OMNI to receive group rate is \$129/single and \$139/double. For questions contact **Daniel Diaz**.

#### GOVERNANCE and FINANCE

### **Avoid Medicaid Payment Disruption: Re-Enroll by June 17**

All Texas health centers and health center providers are required to re-enroll with Texas Medicaid by September 25, 2016 and applications for that re-enrollment must be received by June 17, 2016 to avoid any disruption in claims payment. For more information contact [Cecile Carson](#).

### **Texas Flooding: Direct Relief**

If your community, patients and staff have been affected by recent Texas flooding and rain damage, Direct Relief, donates medicine and medical supplies to health centers during emergencies. If you have not already heard from Direct Relief about needs that have resulted from the flooding in the past few days, please don't hesitate to reach out. They have a wide variety of items available to send to you, including hygiene kits. Contact Direct Relief's [Katie Lewis](#), 805.879.4945.

### **Performance Measures – Not Just for Clinical Use!**

Quality improvement starts with measurement, no matter what department you work in. CMS has provided an [actionable list of performance measures for ICD-10](#) use, which can help you identify and address issues related to productivity, reimbursements and claims submissions. Please contact [Britt Kushner](#) if you have questions or ideas about ICD-10 progress.

### **POLICY**

#### **Now Online: Healthy Texas Women & Family Planning Applications**

The family planning (FP) and the Healthy Texas Women (HTW) open enrollment application is now posted online. [Here are all the steps you need to apply](#). For more information, contact TACHC Policy & Research Associate [Mary Allen](#).

#### **HHSC Seeks FQHC Telemedicine Survey Input**

Texas Health and Human Services Commission seeks FQHC input on telemedicine. [A link to the 3-question survey can be found here](#). Please respond no later than Friday, June 3rd. For questions or comments, please email TACHC Policy & Research Associate [Mary Allen](#). Thank you for your participation!

### **CLINICAL AFFAIRS**

#### **TexasZika.org is now LIVE!**

DSHS has developed materials for organizations to share with your patients, employees, and anyone who might need the information. These resources offer information regarding simple but important actions Texans can take to help prevent the spread of the Zika virus. These materials are free and available for you to download [here](#).

#### **Texas Emergency Preparedness Resources**

[TexasFlood.org](#) is a new mobile-friendly website with to-do lists and links for before, during and after floods. The Texas Division of Emergency Management publishes a [Preparedness Update](#) to alert Texas' emergency management community to planning, training and exercise opportunities. For more information, contact [Sarah Kreisner](#).

#### **Webinar: HRSA Office of Regional Operations Addressing Behavioral Health Needs of Transgender & Gender Non-Conforming Patients**

HRSA's Office of Regional Operations is hosting this 90-minute webinar **Monday, June 13, 1:00–2:30 p.m. CST** which aims to build competency to address the behavioral health needs of transgender and gender non-conforming patients in a culturally-appropriate manner. The online program will feature promising practices of HRSA grantees. Additionally, the HHS Office for Civil Rights will discuss the proposed nondiscrimination rule under Section 1557 of the Affordable Care Act. [Register Here](#).

### **OUTREACH & ENROLLMENT**

#### **O&E Webcast: Former Foster Youth Medicaid, June 15—REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

Hosted by Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid 11am-noon CT on June 15, this free webinar will provide an overview of the Texas Former Foster Care Children's Medicaid program, including the eligibility rules and how to assist young adults in applying for and maintaining coverage. In addition, details of steps Texas

Health and Human Services Commission and 2-1-1 are taking to facilitate access to this benefit will be covered. Register [HERE](#). Contact [RexAnn Shotwell](#) for more information.

### **TACHC Outreach & Enrollment Annual Conference, September 20-21, Bee Cave, TX**

TACHC invites all health center Outreach and Enrollment (OE) staff and supervisors to attend this year's conference with the theme: [Let's Talk About O and E, Let's Talk About You and Me](#). The conference will focus on creative peer learning and provide multiple networking opportunities as requested by OE staff through evaluations of past conferences. We will also have policy updates on upcoming changes, breakout sessions specific for OE Supervisors, as well as "throwback" sessions for new OE staff. Contact [Sonia Lara](#) or [RexAnn Shotwell](#) for more information.

### **IT**

#### **Brace Yourself, the HIPAA Audits are Coming!**

The HHS Office for Civil Rights has launched Phase 2 of HIPAA's audit program. All covered entities and their business associates are subject to HIPAA audits. A recent security risk assessment and documentation of action is required by HIPAA. Don't be caught without a recent risk assessment! As a reminder, HCCN members are eligible to receive a free security risk assessment through TACHC. If you would like more information on how to conduct a security risk assessment and create a documentation of action, please contact [JJ Martinez](#) for more information.

### **R&R**

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

We'd like to welcome Dr. Minh-Y Canh, a TACHC referral who 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 **Presidio County Health Services CMO Dr. Adrian Billings** who was awarded the 2016 American Academy of Family Physicians Exemplary Teaching Award!

Happy TACHCiversary to TaSheena Mitchell (15 years), Cecile Carson (10 years), José (JJ) Martinez (5 years), and Andrea Abel (3 years).

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