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UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE: TACHC 33rd Annual Conference, October 16-19, Frisco, Texas
This year's theme is *Meeting the Quadruple Aim*. **Reserve your hotel rooms now!** Agenda coming soon.

GOVERNANCE & FINANCE

TACHC Receives Renewal of HCCN Grant Benefitting 39 Texas FQHCs

TACHC was one of 50 recipients nationwide to receive a [grant from the U.S. Health Resources & Services Administration to support health centers in developing a Health Center Controlled Network](#). In announcing the awards, HHS Secretary Sylvia Burwell said, "Health Center Controlled Networks are a key tool in providing quality primary care to medically underserved communities. By using these networks, individual health centers can work together to share resources, leverage buying power, and improve access to health information technology, leading to a better care experience for vulnerable populations."

POLICY

Register Now: Healthy Texas Women Program Updates Webinar, August 25, 1pm-2pm CT

Sign up to participate and learn more about the updates to the HTW program. The event is on August 25, 1pm-2pm CT. A digital toolkit will be coming soon. [Register HERE](#).

How to Use HHSC EPHC Funds for Zika-Related Supplies

HHSC wishes to inform all EPHC contractors who still have a remaining balance in their Categorical award that these funds may be used to pay for Zika-related supplies and services. Contractors who feel they may have a remaining balance in their Categorical award at the end of the fiscal year are highly encouraged to take the opportunity to purchase Zika-related supplies for their EPHC clients. Supplies that may be purchased with these funds for distribution to EPHC clients include: insect repellent, condoms and insect netting. If you plan to use your remaining balance for Zika-related supplies, please contact [Travis Duke](#) and [Lesley French](#) at HHSC.

CLINICAL AFFAIRS

CDC Resources About Zika

The CDC has released two interim guidances about Zika; one about [prevention of sexual transmission](#) and a second about [caring for pregnant women who may have been exposed to Zika](#). The National Center for Farmworker Health has put together health education resources in [English](#) and [Spanish](#) about preventing all kinds of mosquito-borne illnesses. Please contact [Christina Brito-Tigerina](#) if you have any concerns or questions about Zika.

Clinician Guides for Farmworker Health and Safety Regulations

Migrant Clinicians Network and Farmworker Justice have jointly developed three guides to assist clinicians in understanding agricultural worker occupational health and safety regulations: OSHA's Field Sanitation Standard; EPA's Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) & Food Quality Protection Act (FQPA); and EPA's Worker Protection Standard (WPS). [View the guides](#).

Thinking About – or Already Working with – Community Health Workers?

A newsletter for and about Community Health Workers is available from [MHP Salud](#). For health centers considering starting a CHW program, there's a [Return on Investment \(ROI\) Toolkit](#) that can help you learn and understand how to calculate ROI on CHW programs.

Free Training: HIV Testing Recommendations for Women: An Important Step to Achieve Perinatal HIV Elimination

A free training will be held on Friday, August 19th, 2016, from 1:30p to 2:30p (Central), which is being presented by the CDC's Elimination of Perinatal HIV Transmission Comprehensive Real-Time Case Finding Stakeholders Working Group, on the HIV testing recommendations for women. Continuing education for this activity is pending. [Click Here to Register](#) or for more information contact [Joanne Phillips](#).

OUTREACH

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

Keep Receiving the Wrap - Tips from TACHC

You may have noticed TACHC transitioned to a different software system to manage the Wrap and other membership communications earlier this year. We can see that a few health centers' systems are rejecting the emails. We're still working out some bugs, but if you want to help make sure your health center keeps receiving the Wrap without interruption, here are some tips:

1) Communicate with TACHC (cweaver@tachc.org) on a monthly basis to share health center staff email addresses that are no longer active at your center. Keeping our bounce rates low helps you receive the wrap more reliably. To do that, we have to regularly clean up our lists.

2) “Whitelist” the IP addresses that TACHC's CRM, NationBuilder, uses to deliver emails. View the list of IP addresses [HERE](#).

Contact [Courtney Weaver](#) with any questions.

R&R

TACHC Upcoming Recruiting Events

UTHSCSA Dental Presentation, August 17, 2016 & UTHSCSA Psychiatry Presentation, August 23, 2016 in San Antonio!

Congratulations for a New Hire to Community Action Corporation of South Texas!

We'd like to welcome Dr. Peter Chan, DDS a TACHC referral who accepted an offer for the Dentist position with CACOST!

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 TACHC members [Centro de Salud Familiar la Fe](#), [Community Health Center of Lubbock](#), [Los Barrios Unidos Community Clinic](#), [Su Clinica Familiar](#) and [Vida y Salud Health Systems](#). As The Joint Commission celebrates the 20th Anniversary of the HRSA/BPHC Accreditation-PCMH Initiative, these health centers are recognized for continuous accreditation for over 20 years from The Joint Commission.

Congratulations also to **TACHC's Verne LaGrega** who was selected as one of 20 people nationally to be recognized by the Joint Commission for having made a significant contribution to accreditation and PCMH certification as a “quality and safety champion.” The award coincides with the Joint Commission celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the HRSA/BPHC Accreditation-PCMH Initiative.

Welcome to new [TACHC Chief Technology Officer Rick Pena](#)!

Happy TACHCiversary to Lynn Ford (19 years) and Verne LaGrega (9 years)!

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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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