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TACHC Annual Conference • October 29–November 1, 2017 • La Cantera Resort & Spa • San Antonio, Texas

Register Now! Early Bird Registration Deadline is TODAY Oct. 13!

Don't Miss Dr. Art Markman and Bob Duke of Two Guys on Your Head at the TACHC Annual Conference:

Motivate! Activating the Motivational System

Wednesday, November 1 • 10:15.– 11:45 a.m.

In situations, in which you are trying to get people to do something, there's what you say, there's what you do, and what you reward...and people listen to those in reverse order.

As we approach the 2017 TACHC Annual Conference, be sure to check out TACHC's [Facebook](#) page for past *Two Guys on Your Head* radio and podcast recordings from our keynote speakers [Dr. Art Markman](#) and [Bob Duke](#). You can find more information about their program [here](#), and please be sure to check out our 2017 Annual Conference final day's keynote address titled "Motivate! Activating the Motivational System"



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Gateway Community Health Center to Launch Capital Campaign for Fifth Clinic in North Laredo

Gateway Community Health Center, Inc., will embark on a Capital Campaign to build a full-service clinic in North Laredo. Please join CEO Elmo Lopez Jr. and Director of Marketing, Mara Lopez at Gateway Community Health Center Central Clinic, 1515 Pappas, Laredo, Tx on October 17 at 10:00 AM. More information will be unveiled, questions will be answered and refreshments will be served.

Navigator Funding Reductions Create Need for More Grassroots ACA Enrollment Efforts

The Administration's decision to reduce funding for Navigator programs means more grassroots efforts are needed to fill in the gaps. TACHC encourages health centers to work with local community partners to expand enrollment efforts and can help do more by hiring volunteers and advocates to become trained as Certified Application Counselors. During this challenging time, outreach efforts are critical in helping educate consumers about the shorter enrollment period and enrolling individuals who rely on coverage through the Marketplace.

Read more about the changes in 2017 Navigator Funding [here](#).

Hurricane Harvey Recovery Effort Photos Needed

If you have any photos relating to the recovery effort following Hurricane Harvey, please share them with us here at TACHC. Email Communications Director [Brom Hoban](#)

CentroMed's Ernesto Gomez to Receive Richard C. Alvarado Memorial Community Service Award

TACHC member and Board Treasurer **Ernesto Gómez**, President & CEO of CentroMed, will receive the 2017 [Richard C. Alvarado Community Service Award](#) at the Healthy Futures of Texas 10th annual luncheon event. The Luncheon with the Stars will take place at [The Pearl Stable](#) on **Tuesday, October 17, 2017 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM.**



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UPCOMING EVENTS

TACHC Annual Conference • October 29-November 1, 2017 ([See Above](#))

GROUP PURCHASING

HRSA/OPA's New Information System is Live

The registration component of the 340B Office of Pharmacy Affairs Information System (OPAIS) is now available for all stakeholder use at (<https://340bopais.hrsa.gov>).

The registration component of the 340B OPAIS enhances the functionality and security of the system for both manufacturers and covered entities. The system also increases the integrity and effective use of 340B stakeholder information.

What You Should Do in Preparation for Accessing 340B OPAIS:

1. Review the 340B OPAIS Educational Resource page for "What's New" Information, Recorded Webinars, Recorded Educational Series, 340B OPAIS FAQ's, and 340B OPAIS Public User Guides ([340B OPAIS Public User Guide](#))
2. Create a 340B User Account ([Create a User Account](#))
3. Log In and Manage your 340B OPAIS records
4. Be aware that previously saved 340B Database links will not function

Contact [Lynn Ford](#) for more information.

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GOVERNANCE & FINANCE

Need a Letter of Support from TACHC?

If you would like to request a Letter of Support, signed by TACHC Executive Director, José Camacho, please email [Corinne Medina](#) along with the project abstract. Once the request and abstract have been received, please allow 2-3 business days for turnaround.

Does Your Center Need a Nurse Advice Line?

If you haven't heard, TACHC recently began offering a Nurse Advice Line through the Group Purchasing program. Following Schmitt-Thompson support protocols, a registered nurse, licensed in the state of Texas, will triage callers when your center doors are closed. This after-hours support service is helping centers significantly alleviate their on-call provider schedules. For some, the nurse advice line is replacing it completely. The service is available 24/7/365, and includes free translation services and unlimited calls. If you would like additional information, please contact [Corinne Medina](#) or [Nancy Gilliam](#).

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CLINICAL



Centering®

Centering Group Medical Visit Trainings

[Basic Facilitation Workshop](#) October 28-29, 2017

The Basic Facilitation Workshop will be held at CommuniCare Health Centers in San Antonio prior to the start of the Annual Conference.

How to Participate:

- **Health centers interested in implementing Centering groups must complete the [Readiness Assessment from the CHI website](#).**
- **Space for the Basic Facilitation Training is limited, therefore health centers will need to [complete the BFT registration form](#).** Applications will be taken on a first come, first served basis and approval will be determined based on the results of the readiness assessment and whether the health center is registered/attends all three parts of the Virtual Information Seminar.
- **For any questions, please contact [Ana Sierra](#).**

Centering Implementation Grants

The Centering Healthcare Institute is offering Implementation Grants to 130 eligible sites, primarily FQHCs and community health centers. The Note of Intent is due October 31, 2017. For more information, please refer to their [site announcement](#) for the grant opportunity.

HRSA Unveils Bullying Prevention Resource

A HRSA-led team of bullying and violence prevention experts has created [Assessing Prevention Capacity and Implementing Change](#). This resource helps state health departments and others assess the current capacity to address bullying and determine any gaps and needs. It contains two main tools: the Bullying Prevention Capacity Assessment, and the Bullying Prevention Change Package of evidence-based and evidence-informed strategies. Schools, summer camp programs, and other venues where youth convene can also use this resource to find meaningful strategies to promote empathy, civility and inclusion.

Mobilizing Against Domestic Violence

Approximately one in every four women in the U.S. - and one in seven men - experiences "intimate partner violence," according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Included are physical and sexual violence, stalking, and verbal and mental abuse.

HRSA's office of Women's Health recently released the [HRSA Strategy to Address Intimate Partner Violence \(2017-2020\)](#) - billed as a "practical and actionable" guide. The strategy includes a [step-by-step toolkit](#) tailored for HRSA grantees and other providers by the nonprofit [Futures Without Violence](#) as part of a previous project

funded by HHS, HRSA and the Administration for Children and Families.

[Click Here](#) to learn more about this project.

Hurricane Harvey Information for Providers

Texas Health and Human Services has shared and updated the [Hurricane Harvey Information for Providers FAQ](#). Additional resources can also be found [here](#).

RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

Assessment of Health Professionals

With the support of HRSA's Bureau of Primary Health Care, the Association of Clinicians for the Underserved is fielding a short assessment to gather information on health centers' current experiences with health professions training activities in order to identify potential areas for resources, training, and technical assistance. This assessment takes approximately 15 minutes to complete and should be completed by all health centers regardless of whether or not they are currently training health professions students or residents. Please preview the questions and complete the [assessment online](#). Contact [Allison Abayasekara](#) VP, Training & Programs. Phone: 703-562-8820

Would You Like Us to Help You Recruit?

Does your center have openings for clinical providers or executive management that you would like us to help recruit for? [Complete the TACHC online position profile](#). Contact [Danielle Ramos, TACHC Recruitment Dept. Program Assistant](#) for more information.

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 Wrap Editor [Brom Hoban](#).

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