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Patient Exam at

Upcoming Events

TACHC General Membership Meeting
8am-5pm Monday, August 13th -Austin
As President, Rachel Gonzales Hanson has requested this meeting to brief TACHC members on the Supreme Court decision on the Affordable Care Act and the Governor Rick Perry's recent announcement that Texas will not participate in the scheduled Medicaid expansion or health insurance

Martin Luther King, Jr. Family Clinic *Dallas, TX*	exchanges. The meeting will also provide a forum for TACHC members to better understand the impact of these positions on the state, FQHCs and our patients and to determine how health centers can effectively respond as a group to these environmental factors. **HILTON AUSTIN** 500 East 4th Street, Austin TX 78701 www.hilton.com TEL: 1-512-482-8000 **August CPI Webcast: Meaningful Use (MU) of the Health Center Electronic Health Record (EHR) Part 2 of 2** *August 17, 2012, 9:00am to 11:00am CST* Eligible healthcare professionals can receive as much as $63,750 over a six-year period through the MU incentive program. Established under the provisions of the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health (HITECH) Act, the Texas Medicaid EHR Incentive Program started in 2011. It offers incentive payments to eligible professionals at health centers as they adopt, implement, or upgrade (AIU) certified EHR technology in their first year of participation and demonstrate meaningful use for up to five remaining participation years. Learn more about the program background, eligibility, and how to participate over the next several years. Learn also how meaningfully using your EHR can help you achieve Patient Centered Medical Home recognition. **NOTE:** Registration for all CPI Webcast Trainings is for two webcasts, Parts 1 and 2, at once. Thus, please register for July and August 2012 CPI Webcasts by logging in on the TACHC website Events page, downloading the registration form, and paying for one registration covering both months. *If you missed the July CPI training, you will be able to access it via the TACHC Community Health Learning Network (CHLN) website. **TACHC Innovations in Leadership Conference** *August 24–25, 2012 -Galveston* During this advanced leadership training for community health center executive leadership staff, participants will gain the skills and competencies necessary to shift away from focusing on "individual experts" and departments to develop a culture in your health center that leverages cross-

boundary groups and teams and spans disciplines, levels, functions, generations and professions. Both an internal and external focus in this training will allow participants to better understand how to improve overall leadership team functioning, staff productivity and workforce retention as well as how to more effectively collaborate with other community providers and stakeholders. This session will also showcase best practices in health centers across the state to highlight successful community partnerships, innovations in service delivery, service excellence, workforce recruitment and retention, and performance management. This event will be held at the San Luis Resort, Spa and Conference Center in Galveston, TX. We have limited space available, so register today! Attached is an agenda, summary of showcased health centers and bios for all speakers. Click **HERE** to register for this event.

Information regarding all upcoming events hosted by TACHC can be found **HERE**.

Governance and Finance

1. Updated Health Center Fact Sheets: TACHC has updated our Texas FQHC Fact Sheets using the recently released 2011 UDS data. These updated materials are available for your use on the TACHC website **HERE** under the "Texas Health Centers" tab. Please contact Shelby Tracy with any questions.

2. National Health Center Week Photos: We want your best photos and flyers from your National Health Center Week events! The photos will be used for the TACHC website, social media sites, Membership Directory and other marketing materials. Please send your photos to Shelby Tracy.

3. Congress Reaches Deal On Six Month Budget Extension: With the end of the fiscal year fast approaching September 30th, Congressional leaders yesterday reached a deal to keep the federal government funded for six months. Funding levels in the continuing resolution (CR) would be consistent with the $1.047 trillion level set forth in the 2011 Budget Control Act, and reports are the CR would leave funding for virtually all discretionary programs level. In health centers' case, level discretionary funding would leave $300 million available for health center expansion from the Health Center Fund in ACA. However, at this juncture it is unlikely that HRSA would act to utilize those funds until there is final agreement for FY2013 funding for the year. Given that the CR would set funding levels for six months, a final funding agreement would not likely be reached until March at the earliest. Public text and votes on the CR are not expected until September. Questions? Contact Shelby Tracy at TACHC.

4. TACHC 29th Annual & Clinical Conference: **October 14-17, 2012**, TACHC will host its 29th Annual & Clinical Conference at The Worthington Renaissance Hotel, 200 Main Street in Fort Worth, TX. For reservations, call 1-800-433-5677 and reference the group name (TACHC) or click **HERE** to book rooms online.

Clinical Affairs

1. Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) Health Information Technology & Quality Webinar: *"Telehealth Resources for Safety Net Providers"* Telehealth technology can be a valuable addition to a wide variety of care settings -- from critical access hospitals and rural health clinics to ambulatory and primary care settings. Presented by HRSA's Office for the Advancement of Telehealth (OAT), this webinar will provide an overview of the HRSA activities and programs available to improve health care delivery, education and health information services to meet the needs of the underserved. Presenters, from both policy and safety net environments, will provide an overview of FCC and HRSA programs available to support the use of telehealth. Questions may be submitted prior to webinar and emailed to healthit@hrsa.gov. This event will take place **Friday, August 17, 1:00 PM CT.** To register, click **HERE**.

2. Small Business Administration (SBA) Free Webinar: "The 10 Steps to Prepare Any Organization for Disaster" What would you do if a fire, flood, server malfunction or health pandemic occurred at your center? If you had 15 minutes to evacuate, what would you take and where would you go? How would you continue servicing your clients? Think it can't happen to you? Statistics show that 94% of small business owners believe a disaster could seriously disrupt their business within the next two years. Are you prepared? Join the US Small Business Administration and co-sponsor of the Prepare My Business Campaign, Agility Recovery, as we learn from SBA Administrator Karen Mills and Agility president Bob Boyd the top 10 ways to prepare any organization for interruptions. These straightforward and simple-to-implement steps could mean the difference between your center surviving a disaster or becoming a victim of one. This webinar will be held on **Wednesday, September 5th, 2012 from 1:00pm to 2:00pm (Central)**, and is part of an ongoing effort by the SBA & Agility to promote preparedness among small businesses through the Prepare My Business Campaign. Learn more at www.PrepareMyBusiness.org. To register for the webinar click **HERE**.

3. TACHC Provider/Clinical Documentation Course Available on the Community Health Learning Network (CHLN): TACHC is pleased to make available to you for FREE, the Provider/Clinical Documentation sessions that were recently featured at the Clinical Directors Institute. The 2-part series "What You Need to Know and Plan for with Provider/Clinical Documentation in an Era of Change: ICD-10, ACO, Meaningful Use, Problem Lists and Audits" is available on the Community Health Learning Network. To register for the course go to www.CHLN.org.

- By the end of Session 1 you will: understand how to help transition your organization from ICD-9 to ICD-10, realize the importance of improved visit documentation in the transition to ICD-10, recognize the need for better utilization of the problem list, history of present illness and Review of System sections of a progress note, and be able to identify methods for auditing current provider documentation, and hear suggestions on how to work with providers for improvement, if needed.
- By the end of Session 2 you will: gain an understanding of the problematic findings in provider coding and documentation from professionally reviewed charts, understand simple audit processes that can be incorporated as part of a center's quality improvement processes, learn methods for auditing current provider coding, and hear suggestions on how to work with providers for improvement, if needed.

For more information, contact Davelyn Eaves Hood, MD at TACHC.

Other News

TACHC Member News: To learn what your fellow health centers are involved in or read news that may affect your health center, click **HERE** for news coverage. We also encourage you to post your news, questions and comments to each other on the TACHC members listserv (members@tachc.org), where only TACHC executives or their designees are recipients.

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