



CHCACT WEEKLY BULLETIN

NEWS FOR CONNECTICUT'S COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS

JUNE 29, 2009



H1N1 INFLUENZA UPDATES

- **8:30 a.m. Fridays** – The July 3 Conference Call is CANCELLED.
- **4:00 p.m. Fridays** – CHCACT will continue to survey all health centers once a week with regard to H1N1 flu cases and supplies needed. The Survey will be emailed to the identified staff member at each CHC.
- **H1N1 information on the CHCACT web site** is updated continuously. Go to:
http://www.chcact.org/Content/2009_H1N1_Flu_Information.asp

CHCACT UPCOMING MEETINGS

July NACHC Summer Webinars - CHCACT has registered for 3 webinars offered by NACHC on their summer schedule. These webinars will be hosted on-site at CHCACT, because there is a charge if you connect from your office. CHCACT has already paid for these webinars **Please RSVP** to Pat Moro if you plan to attend-
pmoro@chcact.org

July 2 – IDS Reporting Requirements 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

July 23 – Strategies to Maximize Reimbursement, Initial Medicaid PPS Rate Setting & Billing Medicare FQHC 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

July 30 – New Bureau Reporting Measures 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

MEETINGS ATTENDED

June 24 - CHCACT facilitated the monthly Webinar/Conference Call-based workgroup for Human Resource Directors and Personnel Directors. A representative from Coastal Health Train provided a guided tour of their professional development software. All participating health centers had an opportunity to ask questions during the presentation. A representative from Coastal Health Train will schedule a follow up presentation on additional features available through their software. If other members from your staff would like to participate in the monthly Webinar/Conference Call-based workgroup, please contact Rebecca Willis via email at rwillis@chcact.org.

June 25- Rebecca Willis, Program Manager for Workforce Development, attended the **Connecticut Multicultural Health Partnership** at the Department of Transportation. The focus of the meeting was to discuss, develop and implement a state plan to identify and address health disparities and multicultural health issues. It is their mission to enhance the preparation, opportunities and personal supports for individuals from diverse under-represented groups to advance in public and health care careers through collaborative interagency arrangements.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES – FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION ON THE OPPORTUNITIES LISTED BELOW

PLEASE CLICK ON <http://www.chcact.org/News/newsView.asp?NewsId=40968146&CategoryID=1>

CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS

- NACHC's schedule for regional meetings is updated through November 2009. To see the listings of meetings, go to the CHCACT web page at: [cms/storage/NACHC_Listing_of_Regional_Meetings.pdf](#).
- Interpreting in Health & Community Settings. A five-week course in Trumbull: **June 25, July 2, July 9, July 16, July 23. Hartford: Sept. 2, Sept. 9, Sept. 16, Sept. 23, Sept. 30.** Sponsored by Connecticut Area Health Education Center and EAHEC, Inc.
- **June 30 – CT Oral Health Initiative (COHI)** presents State Budget Options for a Stronger Connecticut, Hartford
- **July 8 – 10 - Information Technology Workshop:** EHR Implementation | Advanced Uses of HIT, New York City.
- **July 10** – NACHC's New Medical Director Orientation Training, Kansas City, MO
- **September 21** - CT DPH Diabetes Review and Update, Cromwell
- **September 30** - Forum on Innovations in Healthcare Delivery and Organization, Hartford

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RESOURCES

Jack Rustico and Petagaye Nembhard are available to assist health centers in completing reporting obligations to HRSA and other HIV/AIDS funding agencies under the new Ryan White Services Report (RSR) format. This is a helpful website for agencies to look at when preparing RSR submissions which are due July 15:
<http://hab.hrsa.gov/manage/CLD.htm>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Primary Care Case Management: The **Department of Social Services** has announced that HUSKY Primary Care which is the Primary Case Management Pilot (PCCM) is being expanded as an option for all HUSKY A clients living in Waterbury, Windham, and contiguous towns. The PCCM Pilot pays participating primary care providers \$7.50 per member per month (in addition to fees paid for direct service) to coordinate the care of patients who enroll with their primary care provider (PCP) directly, rather than with a Medicaid managed care health plan. For complete information click on [http://www.das.state.ct.us/rfpdoc/DSS01/bids/pccm_new_provider_invitation_app_contract - 06 19 09.pdf](http://www.das.state.ct.us/rfpdoc/DSS01/bids/pccm_new_provider_invitation_app_contract_-_06_19_09.pdf)

Volunteers: As part of the ongoing effort to help health centers implement the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), the [United Health Foundation](#), [Capital Link](#), and [VolunteerMatch](#) have partnered to create an exciting opportunity for health centers to access volunteers from UnitedHealth Group and other organizations to help facilitate and support the capital and IT investments underway as a result of the Recovery Act to bring added expertise to the capital and IT development process, resulting in better facilities and systems to serve your patients. For more information, click on <http://blogs.nachc.com/hcnews/?p=746>

President Obama called on all Americans to help in our nation's recovery by volunteering in United We Serve, a sustained effort to expand the size and impact of volunteer efforts in addressing tough challenges facing the nation. Please see NACHC's press release last week and visit the [Community HealthCorps website](#) for more information. **NACHC** is encouraging all health centers to participate in this initiative. We encourage everyone to upload their volunteer opportunities whether it is for one time projects or ongoing activities. This is also a great opportunity to promote your National Health Center Week events in August if you are using volunteers for any of your events.

Community Health Center Week-August 10 through 14: Remember to also list your Health Center Week events at www.healthcenterweek.org.