

March 1, 2023

Need to Know

In-person Operation Directors Peer Group Gathering March 3 in Salem Join your FQHC Operational counterparts from across the state to connect, support and learn from each other. This 9:00 am – 2:00 pm meeting will have lots of opportunities for networking and discussion about operational priorities and emerging issues. Coffee and lunch included. \$25 per person, [Register](#) here.

HRSA Tidbits

National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Opening Application Cycles for three loan repayment programs soon! To receive updates on NHSC programs subscribe at the following link: <https://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loan-repayment>

- [NHSC Loan Repayment Program](#)
- [NHSC Substance Use Disorder \(SUD\) Workforce Loan Repayment Program](#)
- [NHSC Rural Community Loan Repayment Program](#)

Early Childhood Development Funding Opportunity Now Available HRSA released the 2023 Early Childhood Development (ECD) NOFO, HRSA-23-028. Health Center Program (H80) award recipients are eligible to apply. Visit the [ECD technical assistance \(TA\) page](#) to access details. Applications due 11:59 p.m. ET on Friday, March 17. Submit questions via the [BPHC Contact Form](#): Under “Funding,” select “Applications for Notice of Funding Opportunities.” Then, select “Early Childhood Development (ECD).”

Unmet Need Score Map Tool A newly developed [UNS map tool](#) assists applicants in identifying service area needs. This tool is for planning purposes only; HRSA does not have an open New Access Point (NAP) competition. Details about data sources & calculation methodology are at [UNS Resource Guide](#) (PDF).

Service Line Expansion and Geographic Expansion Guides NACHC produced guides for Health Center Board Members. Each presents an overview on the topic, suggests the board’s role and questions to consider. [Service Line Expansion](#) & [Geographic Expansion](#).

HHS Fact Sheet: COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Transition Roadmap HHS plans to implement an orderly transition away from the emergency phase of the COVID-19 response with the end of the Public Health Emergency on May 11. This [fact sheet](#) can help you understand what will be affected.

Integrated SUD Training Program HRSA’s Integrated SUD Training Program application cycle is open for training programs that increase workforce caring for individuals in mental health and addiction prevention, treatment, & recovery services in underserved, community-based settings. Visit HRSA’s [NOFO webpage](#) to apply by Tuesday, March 21.

Training & Learning Opportunities

Sustaining Statewide Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) Programs Webinar Explore how states can lay the groundwork for CCBHC sustainability, including what can be learned from prior Medicaid programs with temporary funding. March 6, 12:00 pm PT – [Learn more and register.](#)

Special & Vulnerable Populations Diabetes Task Force To Host Learning Collaboratives on [Diabetes and Special and Vulnerable Populations](#). Each collaborative will have four sessions beginning March 7, 2023 at 10:00 am PT (multiple dates offered) [Click here to register.](#)

National Nurse-Led Care Consortium & Florida Association of Community Health Centers examine the role of community health workers (CHWs) as enabling service staff in community health settings at the [Efficacy of CHWs in Enabling Services for Special and Vulnerable Populations](#) March 9, 10:00 am PT [Click here to register.](#)

2023 NWRPCA Spring Summit This annual conference is an amazing opportunity to network with other Oregon, Washington, Idaho & Alaska primary care colleagues, attend powerful educational & roundtable sessions. Seattle, WA from May 7–9 [Learn more and register.](#)

Spring ECHO Programs Free Continuing Education Credits [Oregon ECHO Network](#) offers provider educational programs, including Substance Use Disorder in Pre/Perinatal Care & Gender-Affirming Care. Online spring cohort sessions are Thursdays from noon -1 p.m.PT, April 6 - June 22. [Register now.](#)

NACHC's 2023 Cultivating Health Center Operations (CHCO) intermediate to advanced level training for health center operations leaders. Virtual seminar is April 11 – 12 & approved for up to 14 CPE credits. Prerequisites: A minimum of five years working in the health care sector in an operations and/or management role [Learn more](#) & [register](#) by March 28.

Oregon Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Program application cycle closes at Noon on April 6, 2023. This program offers licensed health care providers an opportunity to receive tax free funds to repay qualifying educational loan debt. For more information, FAQs, & applications [visit the program's webpage.](#)

COVID-19 PHE Unwinding: Review NACHC's latest [blog](#) & [fact sheet](#) highlighting federal and state COVID-19 flexibilities ending with the expiration of the public health emergency May 11th.

Core Competencies for CHC Managers & Supervisors at All Levels A virtual, highly interactive management skills training for health center managers to develop skills to navigate an increasingly challenging CHC environment. Tuesdays May 23 - June 27. [Learn more and register.](#)

Emergency Preparedness Resources

Mass Casualty Impact & Recovery Seminar Series The Public/Private Partnership (P3) Program is offering a Private Sector Preparedness Response and Recovery (PSPR2) series examining how businesses can prepare, respond, & recover from mass casualty events. First seminar is March 16, 9:00AM PST. [More information and registration.](#)

ARCHER Report on Supply Chain Resilience Healthcare Ready published [Leading Practices for Disaster-Related Supply Chain Resilience in Community Health Centers](#). Click [here](#) for more resources from Healthcare Ready's Advancing Resilience for Community Health in Emergency Response (ARCHER) initiative.

Reporting Emergency Operational Status Please remember that if there is a *declared emergency*, we ask that you report your clinic status as soon as you can. You can do so here: <https://forms.office.com/r/1VNmN2eKCT>, or at the QR code attached (open the file, point your phone camera at the graphic and a link should pop up to the form). **Questions?** Please feel free to contact showk@orpca.org.



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