

Integrated Clinical Peer Group News

The latest information for CHC Behavioral Health, Dental, Medical, and Pharmacy Leaders



Nov. 4, 2020

We hope this newsletter helps clinical leadership teams stay up to date on key resources, opportunities, and funding for shared strategies to optimize integrated, whole-person care. The information below is color coded using the following rubric:

Behavioral Health Leaders

Dental Leaders

Medical Leaders

Pharmacy Leaders

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Please contact [Ariel](#) or [Irma](#) with any questions or feedback.

Need to Know

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[Sign up for the BPHC Bulletin](#): Did you know that HRSA sends out an electronic newsletter to keep health centers informed on the latest information from the Bureau of Primary Health Care? [Sign up today](#) to stay in the know about key issues and opportunities that affect your health center.

Funding Opportunities

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New Virtual Care Funding and TA Opportunity: The [Virtual Care Innovation Network](#) aims to bring together safety net organizations across nine states to redesign care so that virtual care models continue after the pandemic abates and beyond. This program will enable safety net provider organizations to learn from peers and experts, test new approaches, accelerate the work they have started, and develop approaches to sustain virtual care as an essential component for how care is delivered into the future through shared learning and small grants. [Join an informational webinar on Nov.10](#) to learn more.

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COVID-19 Health Equity Mini Grants: Cambia Health Foundation is providing OPCA with the ability to support you with COVID-19 crisis funds and/or health equity funds for your clinic. These grants of at least \$3,000 are meant to fund a project at your health clinic that will help your community, including your staff and/or patients. Small, short-term projects could focus on buying COVID-19 test kits or implementing a health equity plan, among other options—it's up to you. [Learn more about this grant opportunity here](#) and [fill out the application here](#). Contact [Maya Roe-Bauer](#) for questions and to submit applications.

Training & Learning Opportunities

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Learn About Changes to PCPCH: 2020 has brought many changes, including Oregon's PCPCH standards. OHA has new webinars and tools available to help you stay up-to-date with the latest

standards. [Learn more here.](#)

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Leading With Empathy – Organizational Strategies for Effective Leadership and Patient Care

Nov. 5, noon-1pm PT

The Empathic Inquiry approach, designed for conducting patient-centered social needs screenings, can also help professionals reframe organizational engagement with staff by focusing on respect, relationship building, and power sharing. This discussion considers the critical role of leadership in creating patient-centered systems, including reflecting on how leaders can support (or undermine) staff well-being, address the dynamics of power within an organization, and lead with vision through times of crisis. Join the California Health Care Foundation for this CIN discussion with Ariel Singer, CHC transformation director at OPCA, and Laurie Francis, executive director at Partnership Health Center, as they share how the Empathic Inquiry approach applies to leaders and how leaders can embody and demonstrate the values of Empathic Inquiry to promote employee engagement in challenging times. [Learn more or register here.](#)

Dental Leaders

OPCA Hosts Open Space Call

Nov. 18 from 8:30-9:15am PT

The purpose of this open space is to connect with your Oregon FQHC dental leaders to talk about whatever (clinical) issues you need/want to discuss related to recent public health emergencies and providing much needed care to the patients in your community while taking care of your own staff and family. For more information, or if it's not on your calendar, please contact [Irma](#).

Best Practices and Resources

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NNOHA Response to Racism: The [NNOHA \(National Network for Oral Health Access\) Response to Racism](#) was shared at the Dental Directors Peer Group Gathering in October as an outstanding and inspiring example of an organizational statement on committing to fight racism.

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Telemedicine for Health Equity: With the rapid expansion of telemedicine in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, ensuring that remote care reaches diverse, low-income patients and promotes health equity, rather than exacerbating health disparities, is critical. A partnership between the Center for Care Innovations, UCSF's Center for Vulnerable Populations (CVP), and the Commonwealth Fund has developed [this toolkit](#) to provide background information as well as concrete guidance relevant to safety-net healthcare systems looking to initiate, expand, or improve their telemedicine programs.