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Today With Macrae: Health Center Program Updates

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

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Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People
Today with Macrae: Heath Center Program Updates

AGENDA

- National Nutrition Month
- Program Updates
- Funding
- Mark Your Calendar
- Q&A
March is National Nutrition Month
Encourage patients to...

- Share a mealtime with a family member or friend virtually
- Practice good food safety at home
- Limit food and beverages high in added sugars
- Vary your veggies
- Check out [MyPlate.gov](http://MyPlate.gov) to find ideas about a healthy diet that won’t break your budget

Check out the [National Nutrition Month](http://NationalNutritionMonth.com) campaign. Share USDA’s [Consumer Resources](http://ConsumerResources.gov).
Program Updates
Health Center COVID-19 Vaccine Program Overview

- HRSA and CDC partnership to directly allocate limited supply of COVID-19 vaccine
- Separate federal allocation will be deployed in coordination with jurisdictions
- Incrementally start at select HRSA-funded health centers that specialize in caring for particularly hard-to-reach and disproportionately affected populations
- Initial phase increased access to vaccines to up to 250 health centers nationwide
- Beginning Phase 2 rollout - 700 health centers invited
- List of participating health centers: https://www.hrsa.gov/coronavirus/health-center-program/participants

"...equity is our North Star here."
- Dr. Marcella Nunez-Smith, Chair of the COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force
Selection Criteria

**Initial 250 health centers** chosen for this Program include those that serve a large volume of one of the following disproportionately affected populations:

- Individuals experiencing homelessness
- Public housing residents
- Migrant/Seasonal agricultural workers
- Patients with limited English proficiency

The next group of **700 health centers** invited to participate include those that:

- Serve high proportions of low income and minority patients
- Provide services to rural/frontier populations
- Operate Tribal/Urban Indian Health Programs
- Utilize mobile vans to deliver services
Health Center COVID-19 Vaccine Program: Phase 1 & 2 Health Centers

To date, health centers have ordered **1,130,290 doses** for **1,069 sites**.
COVID-19 Vaccine Resources

• **Ensuring Equity in COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution**
  ✓ Background information on program

• FAQs on **Health Center COVID-19 Vaccine Program**
  ✓ Contains new FAQs about the program

• FAQs on **Vaccinations** (general category)
Future Directions: Advancing Health Equity and Health Center Excellence

Governance and Management
- Governance
- Leadership
- Management

Workforce
- Strategic Workforce Management
- Recruitment
- Employee Development
- Employee Engagement
- Retention

Financial Sustainability
- Liquidity
- Solvency
- Sufficient Profitability
- Financial Agility

Population Health and Social Determinants of Health
- Population Needs Assessment and Management
- Community Needs and Resource Mapping
- Resource Allocation
- Community Partnerships and Collaborations
- Track and Close Social Service Referral Loops

Access and Affordability
- Comprehensive and Timely Services
- Affordability
- Enabling Services
- Community Outreach

Patient Experience
- Patient Activation and Engagement
- Partnership with Families and Caregivers
- Building Trusting Relationships
- Patient-Centered Care Coordination

Quality, Patient Care, and Safety
- Clinical Effectiveness
- Continuity of Care
- Safety
- Equity
COVID-19 Performance: At a Glance

• **Total Percent Award Funds Drawn (as of 2/26/21)**
  - COVID-19 (H8C): 93%
  - CARES (H8D): 75%
  - ECT (H8E): 58%
  - ECT- LAL (L1C): 44%

• ≈ 800 COVID-19 (H8C) awards identified for closeout.

• **Staffing, Patient Safety, Capacity,** and **Testing** among highest percent of funded activities.

• **Staffing, Minor A/R Project Delays, Limited Availability of Supplies/Equipment (Testing, PPE, etc.),** and **Shipping Delays** are reported issues/barriers to project implementation.

• Over 600 health centers reported < 50% draw down of ECT (H8E) funds to support COVID-19 testing activities.
Progress Report Requirements and Timing

• Progress reports available April 1 and due on April 13 in EHBs
  ▪ FY 2020 Coronavirus Supplemental Funding for Health Centers (H8C)
  ▪ Health Center Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding (H8D)
  ▪ FY 2020 Expanding Capacity for Coronavirus Testing (ECT) (H8E)
  ▪ FY 2020 Health Center Program Look-Alikes: Expanding Capacity for Coronavirus Testing (LAL ECT) (L1C)
• FY 2019 Integrated Behavioral Health Services (IBHS) Staffing Impact Form due by May 3
• FY 2021 Supplemental Funding for Hypertension (NHCI-HC)
COVID-19 Progress Report Elements

**Project Status**
- Staff and Patient Safety
- Testing
- Maintaining or Increasing Health Center Capacity and Staffing
- Telehealth
- Minor A/R (when applicable)

**Changes to Plan**
- New/Updated Activities

**Issues/Barriers**
Will I Complete SAC or BPR for FY 2022?

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Period of performance with an end date on or after October 1, 2022 → **BPR**
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Funding Updates

Funding Opportunity
• School-Based Service Sites
  ▪ Extended Grants.gov Deadline: April 2

Coming Soon
• American Rescue Plan Act
• Optimizing Virtual Care
Fiscal Year 2021 Supplemental Funding Updates

**Recently Awarded**
- FY 2021 Supplemental Funding for Hypertension (NHCI-HC)

**Recently Closed**
- FY 2021 Ending the HIV Epidemic-Primary Care HIV Prevention Funding (PCHP)

**Recently Released**
- FY 2021 School-Based Service Sites (Grants.gov deadline: April 2)

**Coming Soon**
- FY 2021 COVID awards

**Future Opportunity**
- FY 2022 Optimizing Virtual Care

**Ongoing**
- FY 2019 Integrated Behavioral Health Services (IBHS) Supplemental Funding
- FY 2019 Oral Health Infrastructure
- FY 2020 Ending the HIV Epidemic-Primary Care HIV Prevention
- FY 2020 COVID awards – if approved for extension without funds
Awardee Expectations

• Achieve intended results/outcomes of award funding
• Meet stated award and reporting requirements within established timelines
• Ensure proposed/approved grant costs are allowable, allocable, and reasonable
• Timely draw down of grant funds, consistent with the implementation of proposed/approved grant activities
• Timely submission of complete and fully responsive reporting requirements and post-award submissions (i.e., Progress Reports, Expenditure Reports, Award-specific 30-day Conditions)
• Compliance with applicable requirements of all other federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing the Health Center Program
Health Center Program Monitoring Transition

• Health Center Model of Care
• Monitoring Approach
• Health Centers Segmentation
• Assessment, Support, Experience
Effective strategies to enhance patient safety and manage clinical risks:

- Focus on creating closed looped procedures for referral tracking, hospitalization tracking, and diagnostic tracking
- Create a RM training plan for all clinical staff
- Complete Quarterly Risk Assessments
- Involve Health Center Governing Board in risk management discussions, including sharing risk management data, trends analysis, and goals

CY 2022 FTCA Health Center Deeming
Application Opens: April 23, 2021  Deadline: June 25, 2021
Value-Based Care and PCMH

PCMH transformation is critical to advance value-based care systems

Submit your Notice of Intent (NOI) in EHB to seek participation in the HRSA Accreditation and PCMH Initiative

#PCMH Health Centers from **38% in 2013** to **77% in 2020**


Source: Journal of Primary Care and Community Health
2021 UDS Reporting Instruction Updates

TABLE 6A
- Revised with the latest testing and diagnostic codes for COVID-19
- Updated Table 6A with a line for COVID-19 vaccine (removed COVID-19 vaccine question from Appendix E)

TABLE 6B
- Cervical Cancer Screening Measure: Cervical cytology was removed for women age 30 years+ (co-testing requirement removed)
- Tobacco Screening & Cessation Measure: numerator changed from within 24 months to within 12 months
- Tables 6B and 7 were updated to align with the latest CMS electronic-specified clinical quality measures (eCQMs)

TABLE 9E
- Changed Line 1o from HEROES/HEALS COVID to American Rescue Plan

APPENDIX E: OTHER DATA ELEMENTS
- Specific language for the Drug Addiction Treatment Act of 2000 was removed
On My Mind

COVID-19 and Amazing Health Center Work
Advancing COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts in South Carolina

HCPSC patient Brenda McZeke was excited when she got a phone call inviting her to get her COVID-19 vaccination.

Patricia Grant (left), a HCPSC patient, drove her friend Joann Grainger (right) to the Marion office so they could get their vaccines together.
Advancing COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts in Montana

Partnership Health Center staff get ready for a drive-thru COVID-19 vaccination event on February 8. A high temperature of 20 degrees Fahrenheit didn’t stop this team from vaccinating over 200 patients.
Advancing COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts in Indiana

Medical staff at HealthLinc’s Southest location celebrate the arrival of the vaccine to their clinic.

Staff at HealthLinc’s Valparaiso location get ready to vaccinate their patients.
Advancing COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts in Tennessee

CCHS staff prepare to check in and store COVID-19 vaccine doses.
Coming Soon: Free COVID Testing Supplies

- HHS/HRSA is exploring a partnership with the Department of Defense (DoD) to distribute free COVID-19 point of care tests and analyzers to HRSA-funded health centers and Health Center Program look-alikes

- Active health centers and look-alikes, please respond to the on-screen poll to determine interest and demand
Coming Soon! Emergency Broadband Benefit Program

- First come, first served, highly competitive
- Equipment and internet service discounts for eligible low-income households
- Individuals may begin submitting online applications by the end of April
- You can provide outreach, online access, and application assistance to your patients
- Watch for more information in today’s BPHC Bulletin and future Primary Care Digest editions

$3.2 billion
Remember…

• When you visit bphc.hrsa.gov – take the survey that pops up
• February 15-May 15 – Federally-facilitated Marketplace Special Enrollment Period
Mark Your Calendar

• Today with Macrae: Health Center Program Updates
  ▪ Thursday, April 15, 2-3 p.m. ET
  ▪ Tuesday, May 4, 2-3 p.m. ET
  ▪ Thursday, May 27, 2-3 p.m. ET
  ▪ Thursday, June 17, 2-3 p.m. ET
  ▪ Thursday, July 8, 2-3 p.m. ET

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• See today’s Digest for guidance on updating contact information in HRSA’s Electronic Handbooks (EHBs).

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