

# Primary Health Care Digest

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## What's New

- The National Academy for State Health Policy (NASHP) has prepared a fact sheet on Essential Community Providers (ECPS and Qualified Health Plans (QHPs) [<http://www.nashp.org/sites/default/files/ecp.tips.connect.marketplace.plans.pdf>] describing tips for ECPS to engage with the Marketplace Plans. This one-pager provides time-sensitive and critical information to our HRSA grantees about elements of the Affordable Care Act.
- Online Training: Evidence based Continuing Education/Continuing Activities for Safety Net Providers—HRSA, with support from the Agency for Health Research and Quality (AHRQ), has identified training activities relevant to safety net providers and in medically underserved communities. This web library provides easy access to training activities that provide free, accredited continuing medical education and continuing education credits for healthcare providers. Learn more at <http://www.hrsa.gov/quality/portal/index.html> .
- On April 10, 2013, the White House announced three new resources in the fight against human trafficking:
  - The *Coordination, Collaboration, Capacity: Federal Strategic Action Plan on Services for Victims of Human Trafficking in the United States* is open for public comment until May 24, 2013. View the plan at <http://ideascale.com/userimages/accounts/91/912839/Victim-Services-SAP-2013-04-09-Public-Comment-B.pdf> and participate in public comment process through the Stronger Together online platform at <https://acfstrongertogether.ideascale.com/> .
  - The *President's Advisory Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships Report of Recommendations to Eradicate Modern-Day Slavery*, gives 10 recommendations on stopping human trafficking. View the full report at [http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/docs/advisory\\_council\\_humantrafficking\\_report.pdf](http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/docs/advisory_council_humantrafficking_report.pdf) .
  - The White House Office on Science and Technology announced a text messaging service of the National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC). Victims can now text **BeFree** (233733) to get help: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr/news/human-trafficking-victims-can-text-befree-to-get-help> Google also spotlighted the NHTRC during the launch of a new global initiative, watch <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ILQAYtpF5PM>

## Upcoming Training and TA Sessions

- **Medicare Advantage Plans Supplement Payments – Tuesday, April 23, 2013, 2:00pm-3:00pm ET.** National Government Services is offering a session on the basic requirements and billing instructions for FQHC supplemental payments under Medicare. To register, visit <http://www.ngsmedicare.com/> and determine your Medicare contract. On the Provider Specific Portal Home Page, select the Training Events Calendar option under the Education and Training category.
- Save the Date for the upcoming **Grantee Enrichment Session – The Summer Food Service Connection: Opportunities for Community Health Centers and Their Patients** [<https://www311.livemeeting.com/cc/usdafns/join?id=N58BGZ&role=attend>] – **Wednesday, April 24, 2013, 2:00pm-3:30pm ET.** The Summer Food Service Program is the nutritional meal gap for children when school is not in session. Learn how to connect kids in your community to fun summer activities and free nutritious meals. Advanced registration is required: <http://vovici.com/wsb.dll/s/17fb9g532aa> ; Meeting ID N58BGZ; audio information — 1-888-560-8501, passcode 3485984
- **Healthy People 2020 Spotlight on Health Webinar: Social Determinants of Health** [<http://www.healthypeople.gov/2020/default.aspx>] – **Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2013, 1:00pm-2:30pm ET.** Advanced registration is required.
- HRSA's Office of Special Health Affairs is hosting a webinar, **Using an EHR for Health Information Exchange and Interoperability** [<https://cc.readytalk.com/cc/s/registrations/new?cid=gzfquomuxk8>], on **Friday, April 26 at 2:00pm ET.** This webinar will focus on how safety net providers can exchange electronically health information and achieve interoperability using electronic health records. Advanced registration is required.

Go to <http://www.bphc.hrsa.gov/technicalassistance/trainings/index.html> for more information on upcoming trainings or replay information.

## Due Dates & Deadlines

- All **Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA) applications** [<http://www.bphc.hrsa.gov/ftca/healthcenters/hcappprocess.html>] must be completed and successfully submitted in EHB [<https://grants3.hrsa.gov/2010/WebEPSEExternal/Interface/common/accesscontrol/login.aspx?>] by **Friday, May 3, 2013**.

## Funding Opportunity

- The National Training and Technical Assistance Cooperative Agreement (NCA) [<http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/apply/assistance/NCA/index.html>] recipients are required to submit an annual Non-Competing Continuation (NCC) progress report in order to receive continued funding in fiscal year (FY) 2013. Submissions for FY 2013 funding must be submitted in the HRSA Electronic Handbook (EHB) [<https://grants3.hrsa.gov/2010/WebEPSEExternal/Interface/common/accesscontrol/login.aspx?>] by **5:00pm ET on Wednesday, April 24, 2013**.
- The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has announced a funding opportunity to support Navigators in Federally-facilitated and Stated Partnership Marketplaces. Learn more about Navigators at <http://cciio.cms.gov/programs/exchanges/assistance.html> and access the proposed rule [<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-04-05/pdf/2013-07951.pdf>], released April 3, 2013. Navigator applications [<http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=FG4DRkGVsWnSHmRnJ5LpcSN3P4Qq2pJtLL7bTJrdvHBw6NdQDmDh!-2128858829?oppld=229854&mode=VIEW>] must be submitted by **Friday, June 7, 2013**.

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