

Primary Health Care Digest

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What's New

- Open letter to Essential Community Providers from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) [<http://cciio.cms.gov/resources/files/ecp-letter-20130513.pdf>] – The Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight (CCIIO) wants to ensure that Essential Community Providers (ECPs), like health centers, are informed about participating in qualified health plans in the new marketplaces in 2014 and beyond. View the ECP FAQs at <http://cciio.cms.gov/resources/files/ecp-faq-20130513.pdf>, and get more information on the CCIIO website: <http://cciio.cms.gov/>.
- May is Hepatitis Awareness Month [<http://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/HepAwarenessMonth.htm>] – National Hepatitis Testing Day is May 19, 2013. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) uses National Hepatitis Testing Day [<http://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/TestingDay/index.htm>] as an opportunity to remind health care providers and the public about chronic viral hepatitis testing [<http://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/hepatitisc/index.html>].

Due Dates & Deadlines

- **FY 2013 Health Center Outreach & Enrollment Assistance supplemental funding opportunity (HRSA-13-279)** [<http://bphc.hrsa.gov/outreachandrollment/hrsa-13-279.pdf>]. \$150 million is being made available to Health Center Program grantees to expand current outreach & enrollment assistance activities and facilitate enrollment of patients and service area residents into affordable health insurance options. Access additional details about this opportunity at <http://bphc.hrsa.gov/outreachandrollment>, including information about when and how to apply. Applications for HRSA-13-279 are due in HRSA's EHB [<https://grants3.hrsa.gov/2010/WebEPSEExternal/Interface/common/accesscontrol/login.aspx?>] on **Friday, May 31, 2013 at 5:00 pm ET**.
- **Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act (NHHCIA) Funding Opportunity (HRSA-13-238)** [<http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/apply/assistance/nhhcs/>]. A Congressional Special Initiative limited grant competition aimed at improving the provision of comprehensive disease prevention, health promotion, and primary care services to Native Hawaiians. Please visit the NHHCIA funding opportunity announcement at <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do;jsessionid=8hcGRH9G1wLBntqCpLT8JTLz11TKBcYCLG8mLGwQZTWm23v5mnlP!284756989?oppld=233333&mode=VIEW> on Grants.gov. Applications for HRSA-13-238 are due in Grants.gov [<http://apply07.grants.gov/apply/GetGrantFromFedgrants;jsessionid=xvQCRSLhN90TKw1F8j7vxjb2h7rr5fJXtGSLdjhkTkqJbkLQjyJH!651665179?opportunity=HRSA-13-238&agencycode=HHS-HRSA>] on **Wednesday, June 5, 2013 by 11:59 pm ET**.

Upcoming Training and TA Sessions

- **Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act (NHHCIA) Funding Opportunity Technical Assistance (TA) Call – Friday, May 17, 2013, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET**. This TA call will focus on the Grants.gov submission process. The presentation will be followed by a question & answer period. View the presentation and Technical Assistance Resources at <http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/apply/assistance/NHHCS>.
- **Women's Health in the United States and implications for the Affordable Care Act (ACA) – Friday, May 17, 2013, 2:00 pm-3:30 pm ET**. Learn more on current efforts to improve maternal/women's health in the United States through the ACA. Join the webcast: <http://learning.mchb.hrsa.gov/LiveWebcast.asp?id=330>
- **POSTPONED – Grantee Enrichment Session: Health Insurance Marketplace and Medicaid Expansion Outreach & Enrollment in Health Centers – Tuesday, May 21, 2013**. More information to follow at <http://www.bphc.hrsa.gov/technicalassistance/trainings/index.html>

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