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This e-mail is provided by the Urban Indian Health Institute, a division of the Seattle Indian Health Board. It contains opportunities for staff development, grant announcements and other relevant public health information. We hope you find these resources useful. If you have any questions about the information below, or you are unable to open any of the links, please contact info@uihi.org. If this e-mail was forwarded to you, you may sign up here.

Grants

Request for Applications: HHS/Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration - Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Mental Health Services, is accepting applications for Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration (PBHCI) grants. The purpose of this program is to establish projects for the provision of coordinated and integrated services through the co-location of primary and specialty care medical services in community-based mental and behavioral health settings. The goal is to improve the physical health status of adults with serious mental illnesses (SMI) who have or are at risk for co-occurring primary care conditions and chronic diseases, with the objective of supporting the triple aim of improving the health of those with SMI; enhancing
the consumer's experience of care (including quality, access, and reliability); and reducing/controlling the per capita cost of care.

Applications are due June 9, 2012.

To view the full announcement, click here.

Request for Proposals: Spirit of EAGLES Community Project Funding

In recognition of disparities in cancer occurrence in minority peoples, the National Cancer Institute (NCI) has funded Special Populations Networks, including the Spirit of EAGLES based at the Mayo Clinic Comprehensive Cancer Center. Spirit of EAGLES strives to increase community awareness and understanding of cancer by providing competitive grant funding for community based cancer projects. This funding opportunity is intended to build AI/AN community capacity while adhering to the principles of community-based participatory research (CBPR). Urban programs and other non-profit organizations are encouraged to apply.

Applications are due August 15, 2012.

For more information, click here.

Conferences

2012 Tribal Best Practices Conference
July 22-26, 2012 - Salt Lake City, Utah

The 2012 Tribal Best Practices Conference is a national gathering of Indian health care providers and professionals, community health advocates, Clinical Application Coordinators, and leadership in the IHS, Tribal, and Urban (I/T/U) health care systems. The conference will provide plenary sessions, workshops and hands-on computer instruction for RPMS/EHR, GPRA/CRS, MU, ICD-10, and iCare applications.

Early bird registration deadline is June 12, 2012.

For more information, click here.

Announcements

May 19th is the First National Observance of Hepatitis Testing Day

The HHS Strategic Plan for Viral Hepatitis declared May 19th as the first ever national Hepatitis Testing Day. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Division of Viral Hepatitis is developing resources to support testing for chronic viral hepatitis, including the creation of a Hepatitis Testing Event page. To learn more about Hepatitis Testing Day, testing events in your community, or to register your own testing event, please click here.

In addition, we encourage you to visit the UIHI's Viral Hepatitis and STI Prevention Project materials page where you can access new health promotion materials addressing HIV, sexually transmitted infections (STI) and viral hepatitis prevention. We hope these materials will be helpful resources for your agency and your community, and will support
your Hepatitis Testing Day events.

Please contact Jessie Folkman, Project Coordinator, with any questions about the UIHI resources.

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National Women’s Health Week - May 13-19, 2012
National Women’s Check-up Day - May 14, 2012

National Women's Health Week is a week-long health observance that brings together communities, businesses, government, health organizations, and other groups in an effort to promote women's health. The theme for 2012 National Women's Health Week is "It's Your Time." National Women’s Health Week empowers women to make their health a top priority. It also encourages women to take the following steps to improve their physical and mental health and lower their risks of certain diseases:

- Visit a health care professional to receive regular checkups and preventive screenings.
- Get active.
- Eat healthy.
- Pay attention to mental health, including getting enough sleep and managing stress.
- Avoid unhealthy behaviors, such as smoking and not wearing a seatbelt or bicycle helmet.

Fact sheets and related resources are available online, click here.

More reports, resources and other information can be found on the UIHI website, www.uihi.org

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