Resources and Opportunities

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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.

Announcement

National Minority Health Month

Urban American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/ANs) face a wide variety of health disparities and barriers to care. Fewer than 68% of AI/ANs in the combined Urban Indian Health Organization (UIHO) service areas between 2005 and 2010 reported having a usual source of primary care, compared to 78% of all other races.¹

To raise awareness about health disparities and barriers to care, the Office of Minority Health (OMH) designates April as National Minority Health Month. This year’s theme is
"Advance Health Equity Now: Uniting our Communities to Bring Health Care Coverage to All." This theme builds on the implementation of the Affordable Care Act's (ACA's) goals to bring health care coverage to all Americans, and focuses on consumer enrollment in the Health Insurance Marketplace. Events, resources and information about National Minority Health Month can be found on OMH's National Minority Health Month webpage, including a community engagement toolkit and social media content. In addition, HealthCare.gov provides a variety of tools to prepare consumers for this enrollment period including a HealthCare Blog, Health Insurance basic information, and text and email updates.

The UIHI offers a variety of materials that profile health disparities among urban AI/ANs including:

- The Community Health Profile: National Aggregate of Urban Indian Health Organization Service Areas.
- The Healthcare access and utilization among urban American Indians and Alaska Natives fact sheet.
- The Affordability of health care for urban American Indians and Alaska Natives fact sheet.
- The UIHI Health Equity Project reports.

Use these resources to raise awareness and call attention to factors contributing to health disparities for urban AI/ANs and support advancing health equity during National Minority Health Month.


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**Funding Opportunities**

**Center for Research in Emotional and Social Health Small Grants Program**

The Center for Research in Emotional and Social Health (CRESH) small grants program is now accepting applications for the implementation of new social-emotional health interventions. These interventions must be evidence-based and target the social-emotional health for children and families.

Award Amount: $1,000
Application Deadline: **May 10, 2013**

More information about the [CRESH Small Grants Program](http://www.cdc.gov/brfss/) can be found online.

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**CMS Marketplace Navigator Grants**

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) are offering new funding to support Navigators in Federally-facilitated and State Partnership Marketplaces. Navigators are individuals and entities that will provide unbiased information to consumers about health insurance, the new Health Insurance Marketplace, qualified health plans and public programs including Medicaid and the Children’s Health Insurance Program.

Pre-Application Conference Call: **April 24, 2013** from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time)
Application Deadline: **June 7, 2013**

More information about the [CMS Marketplace Navigator Grants](http://www.cdc.gov/brfss/) and the [Pre-Application Conference Call](http://www.cdc.gov/brfss/) can be found online.
OMHRC Technical Assistance: Foundations of Grant Writing Webinar

Join the Office of Minority Health Resource Center (OMHRC) for a capacity building webinar on the foundations of grant writing. Organizations will learn how to write a strong federal grant proposal. The webinar objectives include indentifying key steps to apply for federal grants, reviewing the critical elements of proposals and providing guidance for internal evaluations of proposals.

Technical Assistance: Foundations of Grant Writing
April 25, 2013 from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. (Eastern Time)

More information about the Foundations of Grant Writing Webinar can be found online.

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