The Farmworker Health Network (FHN) is comprised of six National Cooperative Agreements in migrant health funded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to provide training and technical assistance to current and potential Migrant Health Center Programs. The FHN is committed to supporting the development of leadership within community and migrant health centers and increasing access to care for the farmworker population. We function as a trusted resource to health center staff and boards, helping them to fulfill their capacity building needs, and to incorporate service delivery options that are designed to enhance care to farmworkers and their families. Collaboration among FHN members includes a team approach to addressing health center needs and bringing multiple areas of expertise to bear in problem solving. The FHN works to assure the visibility of the Migrant Health Program within HHS, and other governmental and private organizations through the articulation of issues, analysis and comment on proposed policy and procedural documents, dissemination of population specific information and provision of technical assistance services to address the need for information, training, and education. Attached are key resources from each of the FHN members which highlight best practices and field-tested models in migrant health.
Resources for Migrant Health Centers

Farmworker Justice develops numerous resources for health center staff on topics related to occupational safety and health and access to healthcare for farmworkers. These resources include fact sheets on Medicaid and the Affordable Care Act, clinician guides on occupational health standards, a risk management and emergency preparedness series for health centers, and migrant health center brochures for farmworker patients. It also includes links to trainings and materials on pesticide safety, leadership, the Affordable Care Act, and medical-legal partnerships.

Affordable Care Act Fact Sheets


Eye on Farmworker Health

This e-newsletter covers important recent developments in research and policy affecting the health and safety of farmworkers and their families. Each issue includes summaries of peer-reviewed research articles in occupational health and recent federal policies affecting farmworker health and access to healthcare.

Medical-Legal Partnership Resource Guide (A partnership between Health Outreach Partners and Farmworker Justice)

Our nation’s farmworkers endure unsafe living and working conditions. Yet they are often reluctant to seek out help due to fear of employer retaliation, lack of health insurance, or documentation status. To improve health and well-being, farmworker-serving organizations need tools to address the social, economic, and political context in which people live. A medical-legal partnership is a healthcare delivery model that integrates legal care into the healthcare setting. This resource was created to encourage health and legal services organizations to work together to better meet the needs of the farmworkers they serve.

Outreach Business Value Toolkit

Community health outreach programs play a critical role in facilitating access to primary care and establishing a medical home for individuals from underserved populations. However, the impact of outreach on health center revenues is not well documented or understood, making these programs susceptible to limited funding and budget cuts. Health Outreach Partners has developed a strategic framework and corresponding toolkit aimed at helping health center decision makers to assess the potential financial impact of sustained investments in outreach.
Performance Management & Governance Tool Kit

The Performance Management and Governance Tool Kit provides Health Centers with a large collection of example policies & procedures, forms, templates and other supportive documents designed to help Health Centers reach program expectations. The tool kit includes topics such as sliding fee scales, assessing patient satisfaction, verifying patient agricultural worker status, community needs assessments and emergency preparedness. Tools for recruiting and training consumer board members are also included. New items are added regularly, and Health Centers can suggest new resource ideas.

Health Tips

Health Tips is a bilingual newspaper that provides low-literacy information about health issues that affect underserved Hispanic and farmworker populations, such as adolescent health, diabetes, food safety, and the Affordable Care Act. Health Tips is published quarterly and includes information about disease prevention, guidance for interacting with health care providers, and contact information for those seeking further information. You can download electronic copies of Health Tips or subscribe to receive print copies.

Farmworker Fact Sheets

NCFH has developed a series of fact sheets with the most current research and authoritative information about a range of topics affecting farmworkers. These 2-4 page facts sheets cover topics such as current farmworker demographic information, mental health issues, tuberculosis, child labor, and profiles of indigenous farmworkers and those working in animal production industries. Health Centers can use this information to provide farmworker-specific data in grant applications, educate staff about the farmworker population, and gain insight into current farmworker health issues.
Promotor(a) Program Implementation Guide

The Promotor(a) Program Implementation Guide is a resource for migrant and community health centers that have an interest in creating a program based on the Promotor(a) de Salud model. Each part of this Guide is an informational tool designed to aid in the implementation of the program. The Guide both describes the steps involved in developing each component of a program and offers tools that assist with implementing that component.

Promotor(a) Supervision Manual

The Supervision Manual was developed to provide basic guidelines to supervisors of Promotor(a) de Salud programs. The Manual is organized into four sections: (1) Overall Information, (2) Hiring and Supervision, (3) Training and Motivation and (4) Challenges and How to Handle Them. At the end, you will find an appendix with additional information, sample forms and templates.

Evaluation Toolkit for Promotor(a) Programs

The Evaluation Toolkit is intended for use by those who run Promotor(a) de Salud programs serving migrant and seasonal farmworkers. The Toolkit is designed for those who have little or no evaluation experience and those with limited evaluation resources, but it also includes tips for improving existing evaluation efforts. It is community focused, bilingual and tailored to address issues relating to farmworkers, such as short timeframes for administering evaluation activities and collecting data, or low literacy audiences facing multiple barriers to health care access.

MCN Best Practices in Clinical Systems Toolbox

MCN Clinical Systems Toolbox, your online connection to resources for best clinical documentation practices in migrant and community health centers. MCN’s staff has been collecting forms, policies, tools and protocols from health centers across the United States in an effort to make them available to others working to provide quality health care to the underserved. We have reviewed hundreds of documents and selected these samples for you to use and adapt to your own clinic needs.

Clinical Education in Migrant Health

MCN is committed to providing high quality continuing education to health care providers serving migrants and other underserved populations. MCN’s comprehensive clinical education program helps to develop excellence in practice, clinical leadership, and the dissemination of best models and practices. To best serve individual needs, MCN has devised an array of educational services that can be tailored to clinicians’ unique requirements. Come explore what we have to offer.

Continuity of Care for Mobile Patients

MCN’s Health Network addresses the unique challenge of mobility by creating a system that not only allows clinicians to follow up with their patients, but ensures that patients can have appropriate continuity of care. Health Network provides critical patient navigation, bridge case management, medical records transfer, resource identification and evaluation, referral, and education for mobile patients requiring care for ANY health care issue.