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FARMWORKER HEALTH NETWORK

Key Resources for Agricultural Worker Health

The Farmworker Health Network (FHN) is comprised of six National Cooperative Agreements in agricultural worker health funded through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to provide training and technical assistance to current and potential Health Centers. The FHN is committed to supporting the development of leadership within the community and health centers and increasing access to care for the agricultural worker population. We function as a trusted resource to health center staff and boards, helping them to fulfill their capacity building needs, and to incorporate services delivery options that are designed to enhance care to agricultural workers 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 agricultural worker health within HRSA, 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.



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Becoming a Leader in Migrant Health: Preparing for Health Center Board Membership

This training toolkit was developed by NCFH to increase the recruitment, orientation and successful integration of agricultural workers and other health center consumers into health center boards. It is designed to help health centers build capacity among patients and community members for board membership. This unique resource also includes a leadership development component based on the needs of agricultural workers and other special populations. The toolkit includes all content, instructions and materials needed to be able to conduct this training in your community.

Digital Stories

NCFH has developed a collection of bilingual digital stories narrated in Spanish with English subtitles. These digital stories were created by NCFH staff, community health workers, and volunteers. They address various health topics and information on accessing health care services at Community/Migrant Health Centers. These great health education resources are available free-of-charge and can be used by outreach staff, health educators, or for viewing at health centers.

Ag Worker Identification

This digital story is designed to help Health Centers in their registration process to improve their identification of agricultural worker patients. The story, designed to be viewed by current or potential patients, provides information on agricultural industries, tasks and classification of agricultural workers. The information provided guides patients in answering the registration questions related to agricultural worker status. It is perfect for playing in waiting rooms and is a great educational resource for community outreach and other health care professionals. This digital story is also an excellent staff training tool.



Health Policy Bulletin

Farmworker Justice's Health Policy Bulletin provides summaries of recent developments in policy and research related to agricultural worker health. Each issue explores a theme that is important for agricultural worker health from both a national and local perspective with contributions from national and local organizations. Recent issues focused on health information technology and childhood obesity. The 2019 Health Policy Bulletin focuses on the issue of green tobacco sickness in agricultural worker communities.

Health Center Brochure for Agricultural Workers

Farmworker Justice's Health Center Brochure, "Good Health is for You, Too" answers common questions about health centers in a format that is colorful and accessible for low-literacy audiences. The illustrated brochure includes a blank panel for health centers to provide their contact information. It is available in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole.

Diabetes Materials

Farmworker Justice's diabetes materials are for health center staff and agricultural worker patients. An issue brief details agricultural worker perceptions of diabetes and highlights successful strategies to promote education and treatment among patients. An illustrated brochure to be published in May 2019, provides agricultural workers living with diabetes information on how to maintain a healthy diet. The brochure is in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole.

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Addressing Diabetes Through Outreach: Innovative Outreach Practices from the Field

Multi-tiered efforts to prevent, treat and manage diabetes are critical in reducing the burden of diabetes, particularly for medically underserved communities. Outreach can play a critical role in facilitating patient access to health care and social services that support pre-diabetic and diabetic patients in understanding and managing their chronic illness. HOP developed this resource to help organizations use outreach to address diabetes among their patient populations. The profiles included in this resource offer background information about the featured organization, a description of the innovative outreach practice, and key lessons learned, as shared by the featured health center.

Outreach Reference Manual

HOP's Outreach Reference Manual is a comprehensive reference designed to improve program effectiveness and sustainability of health outreach programs. Tackling such topics as cultural competency, health education, recruitment and retention, needs assessment, planning and evaluation, the information included is not just relevant for outreach, but for everyone working to improve health care access in the community. HOP has recently released updated charters on Care Coordination, Outreach Program Planning and Evaluation, and Clinical Outreach.

Transportation and Health Access: A Quality Improvement Toolkit

The toolkit is an easy-to-use, practical guide that assists health centers with assessing the scope of the problem and finding solutions to missed medical appointments due to transportation barriers. The toolkit guides the user through the two key phases of the quality improvement process: Needs Assessment and the Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA) cycle, a continuous quality improvement process. Each section contains an overview of the concepts and sample tools. The tools are designed to be a starting point and can be customized as needed to align with the specific context and resources of each health center.





A Guide to Developing Easy to Understand Materials for Any Audience

A new resource on developing easy to understand written materials for any audience is now available from MHP Salud. This publication provides an overview of practical tools used to create and/or improve the quality of written materials and increases the understanding for a broader and diverse audience of readers. In this resource you will find information, tips, and resources on readability, writing style, layout and design, and how to adapt writing documents to different audiences. This resource can be found in MHP Salud's Resource Portfolio.

Community Health Workers and Social Determinants of Health

A new resource on community health workers (CHWs) and social determinants of health (SDOH) is now available from MHP Salud. This publication provides general information on SDOH, available tools for data collection on SDOH, and the role that CHWs play in implementing SDOH programs. This resource can be found in MHP Salud's Resource Portfolio.

Understanding and Addressing Hypertension and Heart Health in Your Community: A Quick Guide for Community Health Workers

A resource that educates readers about hypertension and heart health and provides tools that Community Health Workers can use to guide patients with hypertension towards a healthier future. The guide also provides a blood pressure tracker, which can be shared with patients as they track their progress towards their blood pressure goals. This resource can be found in MHP Salud's Resource Portfolio.



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 condition.

Clinical Education in Migrant Health

MCN is committed to providing high-quality continuing education to health care providers serving migratory and seasonal agricultural workers and other underserved populations. MCN's comprehensive clinical education program helps to develop excellence in practice, clinical leadership, and the dissemination of best practice models. 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.

Streamline Quarterly Clinical Publication

Streamline is MCN's quarterly clinical publication providing information and resources to frontline clinicians working with mobile underserved populations. We have past issues going back to 2001 available for you to download free of charge.

