

June 2017 News & Information

New Health Workforce Projections

The National Center for Health Workforce Analysis (NCHWA) released a new report and four fact sheets on the national supply of and demand for:

- Geriatricians
- General Pediatricians
- Neurology Physicians and Physician Assistants
- Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Physicians and Physician Assistants
- Physicians and Physician Assistants in Emergency Medicine

Please visit NCHWA's [website](#) to learn more.

New Webinar Series Workforce Grand Rounds



Learn from Leaders in the Field

The Workforce Grand Rounds webinar series allows you to hear from thought leaders and innovators who will share evidence-based practices, innovative models, and promising approaches to enhance training for the future healthcare workforce.

Opportunities to Connect with other BHW grantees and provider organizations to share experiences and learn from each other

The kick-off will take place on June 13:

Successful Models and Resources to Support Opioid Abuse Prevention and Treatment

June 13, 2017
2-3:30pm ET

[Click here to register for this webinar.](#)

Get notified when new webinars are scheduled:
[Click here to receive updates](#) about Workforce Grand Rounds webinars.

BHWET Applications Accepted through June 12

The [2017 Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training \(BHWET\) for Paraprofessionals and Professionals Program \(HRSA-17-070\)](#) is [accepting applications](#) through June 12. The BHWET Program aims to develop and expand the behavioral health workforce serving populations across the lifespan, including rural and medically underserved areas.

The BHWET Program places special emphasis on establishing or expanding meaningful, longitudinal internships or field placement programs in behavioral health that include interprofessional training for students/interns, faculty, and field supervisors to provide quality behavioral health services.

Pop Health Curriculum Webinar

An exciting webinar on how to incorporate population health tools and concepts into practice, from the Robert Graham Center, American Board of Family Medicine, Health Landscape, and Community Health Center, Inc.

June 29, 2017
1:30-2:30 p.m. EST

[Click here to register for this webinar.](#)

Faculty Loan Repayment



New HRSA Administrator



George Sigounas, MS, Ph.D., became Administrator for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) on May 1, 2017.

[Learn more about the experience Dr. Sigounas brings to HRSA...](#)



Workforce Calendar

NOTE: All times listed are Eastern Time (ET).

June 8, 1-2:30 p.m. – Town Hall webinar: Training for Health Equity in the Context of Public Health 3.0. For information, contact Michael L. Jenkins, Jr., Social Scientist / Project Officer at mjenkins@hrsa.gov

June 8 – NHSC Loan Repayment Program Continuation Contract application cycle closes.

June 12 – Deadline to submit applications for the [2017 BHWET for Paraprofessionals and Professionals Program](#) funding opportunity.

June 13, 2-3:30 p.m. – BHW Workforce Grand Rounds Webinar Series: Successful Models and Resources to Support Opioid Abuse Prevention and Treatment. [Click here to Register](#)

June 15, 2-4 p.m. – [Faculty Loan Repayment Program](#) technical assistance conference call; dial 888-790-3359, passcode 4694412.

June 16, 2-3:30 p.m. – HRSA Preventive Medicine Residency Awardee Technical Assistance: Many Paths to Preventive Medicine. Contact isandvold@hrsa.gov or hohara@mmc.edu to volunteer to provide a brief presentation on your career path.

June 19 – Deadline for schools to submit [2017-2018 tuition and fee information](#) for NURSE Corps and NHSC scholarship applicants.

June 29, 1:30-2:30 p.m. – Pop Health Curriculum Webinar. [Register here.](#)

July 5 – Virtual Job Fair registration begins for NHSC scholars and S2S awardees.

July 18 – NHSC Virtual Job Fair for NHSC scholars and S2S awardees.

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FLRP Cycle Opened June 1

The Faculty Loan Repayment Program (FLRP) began accepting applications on June 1 for the 2017 application cycle. Deadline for applications is June 29. The program provides loan repayment to health professions educators from disadvantaged backgrounds who serve as faculty members in accredited and eligible health professions schools.

Visit the [Faculty Loan Repayment Program website](#) for more information and to apply. A fact sheet is also available.

Technical Assistance

A FLRP technical assistance conference call is scheduled for June 15 from 2-3:30 p.m. (ET).

Dial-in: 888-790-3359, and enter Passcode: 4694412.

[Read the 2017 Application and Program Guidance](#) carefully before you start your 2017 Faculty Loan Repayment Program application.

Virtual Job Fairs

The Virtual Job Fair held in March 2017 included 47 sites from 12 states with more than 688 total job vacancies in primary care medical, dental, and mental and behavioral health disciplines.

Next up:

- July 18 for NHSC Scholars and S2S Awardees
- August 1 for NURSE Corps Scholars



[Download this calendar of future Virtual Jobs Fairs.](#)

COGME News

The Council on Graduate Medical Education (COGME) recently released its 23rd report: [Towards the Development of a National Strategic Plan for Graduate Medical Education](#). The Council calls for the development of a national strategic plan for GME. The Council "envisions a strategic plan that would work to develop a broad, coherent, and coordinated GME system, better equipped to produce a physician workforce that meets the nation's healthcare needs and provides greater value for the taxpayer."

Health Professions at the VA Webinar Recording Now Available



[Use this link to access the recorded webinar.](#)

The Division of Medicine and Dentistry (DMD) and the Division of Health Careers and Financial Support (DHCFS) Health Professions at the Veterans Affairs (VA) April 11th webinar recording is now available. Increase your understanding of the VA's investments in mental health, Graduate Medical Education expansion, open funding announcements for trainees and recruitment information for VA training sites of care.

Grant Opportunity

Empowered Communities for a Healthier Nation

The program will serve residents in counties disproportionately impacted by the opioid epidemic; reduce the impact of serious mental illness and improve screening for serious mental illness at the primary care level for children, adolescents and/or adults; and reduce obesity prevalence and disparities in weight status among disadvantaged children and adolescents.

[Find out more about this expected FOA.](#)

Guidance for Areas with Local Zika Virus Transmission in the US

CDC has issued [guidance for travel, prevention, testing, and preconception counseling](#) related to risks for pregnant women and couples considering conception in areas of active Zika virus transmission in the continental United States and Hawaii. CDC has identified two types of geographic areas to describe where Zika virus-related domestic guidance applies: Zika active transmission areas (designated as red areas) and Zika cautionary areas (designated as yellow areas). Recommendations are based on the [CDC Zika Interim Response Plan, May 2017](#).



Understanding the Opioid Epidemic

Drug overdose deaths and opioid-involved deaths continue to increase in the United States. The majority of drug overdose deaths (more than six out of ten) involve an opioid. Since 1999, the number of overdose deaths involving opioids (including [prescription opioids](#) and [heroin](#)) quadrupled. From 1999 to 2015 more than half a million people died from drug overdoses.

[Learn more about drug overdose deaths...](#)

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