

Member Briefs



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THE ASSOCIATION OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS



BOARD CORNER

As mentioned in the April Board Corner, these volunteer leaders have been elected by you to provide for the care and future direction of AMCHP. This information is meant to provide you with a resource for a new MCH connection, a better understanding of the board member roles, or simply to peak your interest in the work of your peers.

This month, we have the privilege of introducing you to two additional AMCHP leaders that currently serve on the AMCHP Board of Directors: Valerie Ricker and Michael Warren. For more information about Valerie and Michael, please visit AMCHP Board Member biographies [here](#).

Valerie has a rich 20-year history with AMCHP and has served the organization in a multitude of volunteer roles including Region I Director; Chair of the Workforce Development and Leadership Committee; Peer Mentor through the New Director Mentor Program (NDMP); Program Committee Member; Chair of the Governance Committee Policy Subcommittee; and Member of the Annual Conference Planning Committee.



She brings vast experience and background in MCH and nursing to her board role as secretary and member of the Executive Committee. She currently works as the assistant director, Division of Population Health and the Title V director for the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Her career highlights also include serving as the Maine CDC director of the Public Health Nursing program; leading the Maine CDC preparation for accreditation; and working as a pediatric and women's health nurse practitioner earlier in her career.

Valerie comments on her experiences with the organization that, "AMCHP is the trade association for state Title V programs and provides representation of Title V with our federal partners, Congress and other MCH related organizations. I grew up in a family that supported volunteerism and giving back to one's community; I felt I received so much support from AMCHP when I was new in my role and that I should give back to my peers in Region I and across the country. I also felt that AMCHP was a great resource for the state Title V staff and I needed to be engaged in order to link staff to the resources."

Although new to his role to the AMCHP board this year, Michael Warren is no stranger to working with AMCHP. A member since 2011, he has served as a member of the Workforce Development and Leadership Committee, a presenter on AMCHP webinars *Succession Planning* and *Building a Resilient Workforce*; a presenter at the AMCHP Annual Conference each year; a mentor in the NDMP; and serves on the National MCH Workforce Development Center Advisory Committee.



Michael grew up in rural Eastern North Carolina (in a town with a population ~600!) where he attended college and medical school. Prior to medical school, he worked as a lifeguard, bank teller, and pizza cook and was proudly the first in his family to attend college. Michael later moved to Tennessee for residency at Vanderbilt and has stayed in that area. He has served as the Title V director for Tennessee since 2010 and is a trained pediatrician. Michael also wants everyone to know that he is Uncle Mike to two nephews (with a third baby on the way).

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Michael reflects, "At my first AMCHP conference in 2009, I immediately felt 'at home' – I remember telling a colleague, 'these feel like my kind of people!' I am energized by the exchange of ideas and new knowledge that I glean from participation in AMCHP and I am grateful for the opportunity to contribute to that experience for other AMCHP members through service as an at-large board member. As a state Title V director, AMCHP has been an invaluable resource to me – I hope that my participation and service as a board member will allow me to give back and advance the mission of the organization."

Please take a moment to visit the AMCHP board page on the website for more details including how you can reach Valerie and Michael.

LEGISLATIVE & POLICY CORNER



AMCHP Policy Call Recording Available

In case you missed it, a recording of the May 5 AMCHP all member MCH policy update teleconference is posted [here](#).

Congress Passes Final Budget Resolution

In early May, Congress finalized a [concurrent resolution on the FY 2016 budget](#) that was worked out by a House-Senate conference committee. The resolution calls for repeal of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) as well as deep cuts in Medicaid, and "domestic discretionary" programs, including most health and education programs funded through the appropriations process.

Adoption of the resolution paves the way for Congress to use a procedural mechanism known as resolution, which means that budget-related legislation can be adopted by the Senate with only 51 votes instead of the 60 votes normally needed to proceed to legislation. This would enable Congress to pass legislation to repeal the ACA and possibly other things. Legislation to implement the budget resolution would, however, have to be agreed to by the president, who has vowed to veto any bills that would repeal the ACA or would make significant cuts in

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domestic discretionary spending. It is not expected that the House and Senate would have enough votes to override a veto. In essence, the resolution sets the stage for action in the months to come – stay tuned for updates.

Health Reform Implementation

Marketplace Navigators

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recently announced the federal grant opportunity for Navigators for the third year of open enrollment. This grant is for Navigators in federally facilitated or state-partnership marketplaces. The funding announcement expands the project from one year to three years and a total of up to \$67 million. Applications are due by Jun. 15. More information can be found on the AMCHP [fact sheet](#).

Essential Health Benefits

Several organizations are monitoring the implementation of health reform provisions. Recently, we reported on the findings from an American Lung Association on the varying availability of tobacco cessation medications in marketplace plans. In addition, the [National Women's Law Center](#) (NWLC) has been monitoring and reporting on health plan violations in the ACA, especially as they pertain to women's health. Lastly, Community Catalyst has several [resources](#) on how to engage with the local Department of Insurance. Additionally, a set of [frequently asked questions](#) (FAQs) have been prepared jointly by the U.S. Departments of Labor (DOL), Health and Human Services (HHS), and the Treasury regarding preventive services including contraception. The FAQs seek to clarify that insurers must cover without cost-sharing at least one form of contraception in each of the methods (currently 18) that the Food and Drug Administration identified for women in its current [Birth Control Guide](#), including the ring, the patch and intrauterine devices, according to the guidance. The FAQs also cover issues such as BRCA-1 or BRCA-2 cancer susceptibility gene screening, preventive services and transgender people, benefits for children covered as dependents on their parent's insurance, and much more.

Montana Medicaid Expansion

Recently, Montana Governor Steve Bullock, signed a bill extending health care coverage to thousands of

individuals. This bill, known as the HELP Act, not only expands Medicaid but also assists Medicaid recipients in finding work and developing job skills. More information can be found [here](#).

Community Health Center Grant Opportunity

Earlier this month, HHS announced ACA funding for new community health centers. According to HHS Secretary Burwell, there is “approximately \$101 million in Affordable Care Act funding to 164 new health center sites in 33 states and two U.S. territories for the delivery of comprehensive primary health care services in communities that need them most. These new health centers are projected to increase access to health care services for nearly 650,000 patients.” More information is available [here](#).

Connecting Kids to Coverage

The Connecting Kids to Coverage campaign under the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services recently had a twitter storm reminding us all that Medicaid and CHIP are open year round. They have a wide variety of [resources](#) for partners and organizations to promote enrollment year-round. CMS is hosting a webinar, [Making Medicaid and CHIP Health Coverage Part of a Safe & Healthy Summer](#), on Thursday May 21, from 3 p.m.-4 p.m. EDT. This webinar is a part of the national campaign to get children covered.

Celebrating 50 Years of Medicaid

AMHP recognizes Medicaid as the foremost safety net program for maternal and child health populations. Medicaid has been instrumental in providing access to coverage and delivering health care to millions of vulnerable women, children, and families. Our state and territorial members have a long, working relationship with Medicaid – as partners, stakeholders, and colleagues. The complementary work of Medicaid and Title V highlights the benefit of joint public health – health delivery system approaches to improving outcomes for MCH populations. AMCHP and its members thank our dedicated colleagues in the Medicaid program, at both the state and federal levels. It has been an honor to work in partnership with Medicaid over the last 50 years and we look forward to achieving our shared goal of a nation of healthy children and families.



Are you a Next Generation MCH Professional (age 45 or <)? Are you interested in helping shape AMCHP membership efforts related to your peer group? Join us in the virtual world by participating in the AMCHP Next Generation MCH Professionals Open Calls!

The next generation of MCH professionals can be characterized as a “force to be reckoned with” based on the numbers alone – by the end of 2014, half of the employees in the world will be those born after 1980. Understanding what motivates or drives the behavior of this segment of the MCH workforce, then, is of critical importance and AMCHP wants to know: more about how this group of professionals views association membership (why they join member associations, what member benefits they are looking for, and what roles are they willing to participate in if they join an association?); more about the leadership development preferences of this professional group; more about how we can better connect you with your peers; more about how we can better support you. AMCHP is hosting two open calls (**May 20 12-1 p.m. EST, Jun. 24 2-3 p.m. EST**) for Next Gen MCH professionals to share the work AMCHP accomplished thus far with guidance from our Advisory Workgroup and the AMCHP Workforce Development Committee and hear from you: what do you want/need from AMCHP to inspire innovation and positive growth for Next Gen leaders in MCH! [Click here](#) to register for the event.

Now Available: Application to Participate in the National MCH Workforce Development Center Training – Cohorts 3 and 4

The National MCH Workforce Development Center offers a range of trainings, tools and resources to strengthen MCH workforce capacity to lead through health transformation. The Center offers training in four key areas: access to care, quality improvement, systems integration and change management. State/territory Title V agencies/MCH programs and their partners will have the opportunity to gain knowledge, skills and tools in the four key areas and apply them to a current health transformation project of interest. The application for the final two cohorts is being released and is due simultaneously; states/territories are allowed to choose between Cohort 3 and Cohort 4 according to the timeline

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and training location that best fits their needs. Cohort 3 will run from July 2015-March 2016 and the training will be held in Denver or San Francisco. Cohort 4 will run from November 2015-June 2016 and training will be held in the Washington DC area. States and territories are strongly encouraged to apply to participate in Cohort 3 or 4, as current project funding ends in August 2016.

Applications are available via the [AMCHP Transformation Station website](#) and the [Center website](#). All applications must be received by Jun. 1 at 5 p.m. EST.

Attention MCH and CYSHCN Directors: Survey on Care Coordination Activities

Through a cooperative agreement with the Maternal and Child Health Bureau, the National Center for Medical Home Implementation – housed in the national American Academy of Pediatrics –recently partnered with Richard Antonelli, MD, FAAP and Boston Children’s Hospital (BCH) on an initiative focused on care coordination in pediatrics. As a result of this partnership, the National Center for Care Coordination Technical Assistance (NCCCTA) was established by BCH to support the promotion, implementation, and evaluation of care coordination activities and measures in child health across the United States.

We invite you to participate in this activity by completing a survey about care coordination activities in your chapter and its communities. Specifically, the survey aims to assess experiences with care coordination capacity building and measurement. Ultimately, the goal of this survey and assessment project is to develop a community of implementers and learners focused on child health-centered care coordination. The survey can be accessed [here](#). If possible, we ask that you please complete the survey by **Jun. 1**.

If you have questions, or would like to learn more about the NCCCTA, contact Hannah Rosenberg, manager, National Center for Care Coordination Technical Assistance, at hannah.rosenberg@childrens.harvard.edu or 617-919-3627.

RFA Released for AMCHP ROI Analytic ALC Second Cohort

On May 13, AMCHP released a request for applications (RFA) for the second cohort of the *Return on Investment Analytic Action Learning Collaborative (ROI Analytic ALC)*. This RFA, which is focused on the economic analysis of programs related to child and adolescent health, will support up to four state teams to calculate and communicate an economic analysis of an existing child and adolescent health program. AMCHP will provide technical assistance through monthly learning events, facilitated peer-to-peer interactions, in-person meetings, consultations with expert health economists, and funding to support ROI Analytic ALC activities that will lead to a completed ROI analysis of the selected programs and creation of communications products.

Applications are due by 11:59 p.m. EST Jun. 8, 2015. For questions about the ROI Analytic ALC RFA, please contact Krista Granger at kgranger@amchp.org; 202-266-3057. For more information and to access the RFA, [click here](#).



AMCHP is seeking submissions of emerging, promising and best practices in MCH from all states and territories on women’s health. Do you have a program that fits?

You’ll have a chance to:

- Share successes with your peers
- Enhance the MCH field
- Contribute to program replication
- Get expert feedback from the Review Panel
- Receive national recognition

The online submission process is simple and applications are accepted on a rolling basis. For more information, contact [Ki’Yonna Jones](#) at (202) 266-3049 or visit amchp.org/bestpractices.

You can also [click here](#) to refer an innovative MCH program that we should know about!

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National MCH Workforce Development Center Coffee Talk Series

This series will be hosted by the National MCH Workforce Development Center Change Management core on three pertinent topics benefiting the Title V workforce.

The series will consist of three archived 20-minute videos for AMCHP members to access bi-monthly at their leisure. For the alternating months, AMCHP will host a Twitter chat on the content shared during the preceding month's archived video. The topics and identified speakers for each video/Twitter chat are outlined below. [Click here](#) to learn more about each talk and to register!



Coffee Talk 1: Title V Transformation

Presenter: Lacy Fehrenbach, MPH, CPH, Director, Programs, AMCHP

Video Release: Mar. 2 – [Click here](#) to view the video

Coffee Talk 2: Getting to the Table

Presenter: Sharron Corle, MS, Associate Director, MCH Leadership Development & Capacity Building, AMCHP

Video Release: Apr. 1 – [Click here](#) to view the video

Coffee Talk 3: Leading Change

Presenter: Karen Trierweiler, Director of Programs & Services, Prevention Services, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

Video Release: Jun. 1

Twitter Chat: Jul. 22 2-3 p.m. EST

Coffee Talk 4: Managing Change

Presenter: Brenda Jones, DHSc, RN, MSN, WHNP-BC, Deputy Director, Office of Women's Health, Illinois Department of Public Health

Video Release: Aug. 1

Twitter Chat: Sept. 9 1-2 p.m. EST

Beyond Implementation: Capturing the Value of Care Coordination

The National Center for Medical Home Implementation is hosting the third and final webinar of a free three-part series focusing on implementation and evaluation of pediatric care coordination. This webinar, to be held May 28 from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. CST, will describe the value of

measuring and evaluating care coordination activities within the context of improved patient experience, improved health of populations, and decreased cost of health care. Faculty will share information about tools and strategies to facilitate the measurement of pediatric care coordination activities and provide examples of how practices are utilizing care coordination performance metrics and methodologies to capture value for patients and families. For more information, [click here](#). To register, [click here](#).

Call for Nominations for the 2015 Bonnie Strickland Champion for Children's Vision Award

Prevent Blindness and the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health at Prevent Blindness (NCCVEH) are seeking nominations for the inaugural 2015 Bonnie Strickland Champion for Children's Vision Award. The award recognizes significant efforts by an individual or group of individuals to improve public health approaches for children's vision and eye health at the state or national level. The award was established in 2014 by the NCCVEH Advisory Committee to commemorate Bonnie Strickland and her groundbreaking work to establish a comprehensive system for children's vision in the United States. The deadline for nominations is Jun. 19. The award will be presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health, Aug. 7-8, 2015 in Alexandria, VA. For more information or to submit a nomination, [click here](#), or contact Kira Baldonado at (800) 331-2020 or kbaldonado@preventblindness.org.

Text4baby Kicks Off 2015 Enrollment Contest

The 2015 Text4baby State Enrollment Contest – launched in honor of Mother's Day and National Women's Health Week – has begun. The contest is open to all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The top states to enroll the highest percentage of mothers in Text4baby between May 10 and Oct. 17, 2015 will be recognized. Even if you are not one of the final winners, your state will still have the opportunity to win each week. You can monitor your state's progress at www.text4baby.org and through Text4baby Tuesday. Check out where your state currently ranks [here](#). For ideas on how to promote

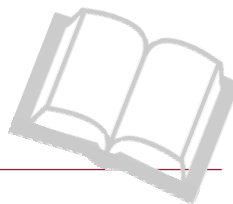
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Text4baby in your community, download the [Text4baby Outreach Toolkit](#) that provides outreach strategies and best practices for promoting Text4baby in your state or community. Check out the [2015 State Enrollment Contest page](#) for additional tools and information.

Special Issue Call for Papers: Postpartum Health and Wellness

The Maternal and Child Health Journal is soliciting manuscript submissions to be considered for an upcoming issue on the theme of postpartum health and wellness. This important period in the reproductive life continuum provides a critical link between prenatal care and women's preventive health care as well as an essential opportunity to guide and support maternal role attainment, breastfeeding, mental health and healthy parenting. The Journal solicits manuscripts on any aspect of postpartum health and wellness, including policy briefs, original research, commentaries, perspectives in practice (clinical or public health), program development or implementation, program evaluation, and literature reviews. The deadline for submission is Oct. 15. For more information, [click here](#).

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General Maternal & Child Health

CDC Releases New [CHSI](#) 2015 Web Application

The redesigned CDC [Community Health Status Indicators \(CHSI\)](#) 2015 online web application is live and ready to use! CHSI is an interactive online tool that produces health profiles for all 3,143 counties in the United States. Each profile includes key indicators of health outcomes, which describe the population health status of a county and factors that have the potential to influence health outcomes, such as health care access and quality, health behaviors, social factors and the physical environment. A key feature of CHSI 2015 is the ability for users to compare the value of each indicator with those of socially, economically, and demographically

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similar "peer counties," as well as to the United States as a whole, and to *HP 2020* targets. CHSI 2015 is primarily targeted to health departments, nonprofit hospitals, and other community organizations engaged in community health assessment and improvement. Like previous versions, CHSI 2015 was designed to complement existing community health indicators applications including the County Health Rankings & Roadmaps. To view the new CHSI Web application, [click here](#).

CDC Tips from Former Smokers Campaign Releases New Stories

Smoking remains the leading cause of preventable death and disease in the United States, killing more than 480,000 Americans each year. Smoking causes immediate damage to your body, which can lead to long-term health problems. For every smoking-related death, at least 30 Americans live with a smoking-related illness. The only proven strategy to protect yourself from harm is to never smoke, and if you do smoke or use tobacco products, to quit. Since its launch, the Tips campaign has featured compelling stories of former smokers living with smoking-related diseases and disabilities and the toll that smoking-related illnesses have taken on them. The campaign has also featured nonsmokers who have experienced life-threatening episodes as a result of exposure to secondhand smoke. The most recent, Amanda's story, relates to smoking during pregnancy and the impact on the newborn and can be accessed [here](#).

Women's & Infant Health

New AMCHP Maternal Health Guide Now Available

In 2013, AMCHP launched the Every Mother Initiative with generous funding support from Merck for Mothers. This new guide, *Health for Every Mother: A Maternal Health Resource and Planning Guide for States*, complements our existing Every Mother efforts by providing you and your partners with tools to develop a comprehensive maternal health initiative in your state. The new AMCHP guide is one part resource and one part planning tool. It is both a menu of options for improving women's and maternal health and a starting point for dialogue and innovation. In addition to planning templates and a menu of strategies mined from state and national consensus reports, more than 30 states have

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contributed implementation examples, and we have included more than 75 national partner resources to build state capacity throughout the assessment and planning process. To access the guide, [click here](#).

Child & Adolescent Health

CSN Releases 2014 Bullying Prevention Environmental Scan

Bullying is a major public health concern. According to the 2013 Youth Risk Behavior Survey, a biennial survey of students in grades 9-12 that is conducted by the CDC, 20 percent of students reported being bullied on school property and 15 percent reported being electronically bullied in the 12 months preceding the survey. State public health agencies can and do play an important role in bullying prevention. The new Maternal and Child Health National Performance Measure on reducing the percentage of adolescents, ages 12 through 17, who are bullied provides a critical opportunity for state public health agencies to expand their role in bullying prevention efforts and implement evidence-based anti-bullying practices and policies. In December 2014, the Children's Safety Network National Injury and Violence Prevention Resource Center (CSN) sent a bullying prevention environmental scan to the state MCH program director and the state Injury and Violence Prevention (IVP) program director in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. The scan was designed to inform CSN development of new technical assistance information and resources for bullying prevention, and it consisted of 13 to 26 questions on state public health agency involvement in bullying prevention efforts. To read the full report, [click here](#).

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- On Apr. 28, AMCHP staff Krista Granger led a roundtable discussion at the National Oral Health Conference to describe AMCHP interest and involvement in improving perinatal oral health. Roundtable participants learned about the current work with three states, New York, Connecticut and West Virginia, within the Perinatal & Infant Oral Health National Initiative to improve access to and

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utilization of quality oral health care for pregnant women and infants in order to reduce health disparities. Another major topic of discussion included the importance of oral health education within home visiting programs.

- On Apr. 29 - May 1, AMCHP staff Andria Cornell presented the AMCHP Every Mother Initiative at the 2015 Safe States Alliance Annual Meeting, "Creating a Culture of Safety: It Takes All of Us" in Atlanta, GA. During the meeting, Andria raised awareness of maternal deaths from injury-related causes within broader maternal mortality reduction efforts, shared specific activities by Every Mother-participating states related to preventing death from substance abuse, intimate partner violence, and suicide, and met new partners doing exciting and complementary work, including through participation in the National Violent Death Reporting System.
- On May 3, AMCHP staff Erin Bonzon and Andria Cornell participated in the ACOG-CDC Maternal Safety/Maternal Mortality Meeting in San Francisco, CA. The daylong program featured updates from numerous partners on implementing activities to address obstetric emergencies, injury-related deaths, and severe maternal morbidity, as well as discussion panels on patient interaction, racial disparities, and special considerations for rural and frontier facilities. AMCHP staff presented on key considerations in forming multidisciplinary teams for statewide efforts to improve maternal health.

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

AMCHP Recruiting for Grants & Contracts Administrator

The grants & contracts administrator joins the AMCHP finance team and reports to the senior accountant. This position will perform the full range of duties associated with all aspects of internal reporting associated with grants and programs; serve as the primary financial liaison with program staff and will assist program staff and development efforts with financial information and calculation needs. Other primary areas are award/grant management, contract management and assistance with financial and accounting procedures. While a member of the finance team, the grants & contracts administrator also liaisons closely with leadership from the AMCHP program team in an ongoing manner. To learn more, [click here](#).

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Aetna Foundation GoLocal: Cultivating Healthy Communities Grants Program

In recent years, the Aetna Foundation has placed increased emphasis on supporting local programs that improve access to locally grown fresh fruits and vegetables in underserved communities. Beyond bringing a richer array of nutritious foods to people, these programs by nature bring communities closer together — people of all ages come together to plan and nurture gardens, take part in farming activities and visit markets where a full array of fruits and vegetables is available. [Local Roots: Supporting Community Gardens, Urban Farms and Farmers Markets](#) will fund the creation and expansion of community gardens, urban farms and farmers markets in underserved neighborhoods so that fresh fruits and vegetables are locally available, accessible and affordable. To learn more, [click here](#).

AMCHP CAREER CENTER

The Career Center is the premiere online job board for individuals seeking employment in MCH programs. Whether you are looking for an entry-level position or are a more seasoned professional looking for new opportunities, AMCHP's Career Center has great openings for great people! Searching our database is free and open to all job-seekers. AMCHP members receive a discount on job-postings - so [sign up](#) today!

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SUID Case Registry

Deadline: *May 31*

The Sudden Unexpected Infant Death Case Registry (SUID-CR) is a surveillance system that compiles information on unexpected infant deaths from various data sources. States use the SUID-CR for surveillance, program planning, modifying public health practice and policy for state maternal and child health programs, public health and medicolegal evaluation, and reporting on Title V Performance Objectives for federally-funded Maternal Child Health programs. Module A will continue to support the work of the nine states that have successfully implemented the SUID-CR pilot program through an existing announcement that ends Sept 30, 2015 (FOA DP12-1202). Module B will fund new states to implement the necessary components of a state-based SUID Case Registry and surveillance system including timely and complete review, data entry, quality control procedures, and reporting. To learn more, [click here](#).

Surveillance of Congenital Heart Defects Across the Lifespan

Deadline: *Jun. 1*

This will expand the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities programs conducting birth defects surveillance with a focus on congenital heart defects (CHDs) among individuals of all ages. The National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, Division of Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities seeks to fund collaborative projects to build on existing infrastructure for population-based CHDs surveillance and develop and implement approaches for conducting surveillance of CHDs by linking data sources. To learn more, [click here](#).

HHS New Pathways for Fathers and Families

Deadline: *Jul. 7*

HHS, Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Family Assistance (OFA) is announcing its intent to competitively award demonstration projects that support activities promoting responsible fatherhood as enacted by the *Claims Resolution Act of 2010*. The Responsible Fatherhood initiative is designed to help fathers establish or strengthen positive parental interaction by providing activities that develop and improve relationship, communication and parenting skills, and contribute to the financial well-being of their children by providing job training and other employment services.

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Responsible Fatherhood activities also help fathers improve relationships with their spouses, significant others, and/or the mothers of their children. For more information, [click here](#).

Initiative to Maximize Research Education in Genomics Diversity Action Plan

Deadline: *Sept. 6, 2016*

NIH present this funding opportunity to facilitate the training of individuals at all careers levels (the undergraduate, graduate, post baccalaureate, postdoctoral and faculty levels) from diverse backgrounds underrepresented in scientific disciplines relevant to genomics to enable them to pursue genomics research that spans all areas of interest to National Human Genome Research Institute later in their careers. To learn more, [click here](#).

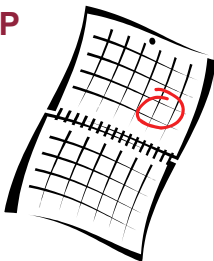
Exploratory and Developmental Grant to Improve Health Care Quality through HIT

Deadline: *Nov. 16, 2016*

The purpose of this grant is to fund exploratory and developmental research grants that will contribute to the evidence base of how health information technology (HIT) improves health care quality. This funding opportunity supports the use of a wide variety of research designs in order to generate information regarding the design and development, implementation, use, or impact of health IT on quality. For more information on grant PA-14-001 and more, [click here](#).

List Your Event on the AMCHP MCH Events Calendar

Do you want to include your listing on the AMCHP MCH Events Calendar? It's easy! Just complete our easy [online submission form](#). You are welcome to submit MCH conferences, webinars, trainings, webcasts and meetings. Thanks for helping us to build our MCH Events Calendar! If you have any questions, please contact [Julio Arguello Jr.](#), Online Media & Information Technology Manager. Please note: All event listings are



CALENDAR



AMCHP Events

2016 AMCHP Annual Conference

Jan. 23-26, 2016
Washington, DC

MCH Events

[CSTE Annual Conference](#)

Jun. 14-18
Boston, MA

[8th Biennial Childhood Obesity Conference](#)

Jun. 29-Jul. 2
San Diego, CA

[NACCHO Annual 2015](#)

Jul. 7-9
Kansas City, MO

[2015 CityMatCH Annual Urban MCH Leadership Conference](#)

Sept. 27-30
Salt Lake City, UT

[2015 ASTHO Annual Meeting](#)

Sept. 29-Oct. 1
Salt Lake City, UT

[28th Annual State Health Policy Conference](#)

Oct. 19-21
Dallas, TX

[AAP National Conference and Exhibition](#)

Oct. 24-27
Washington, DC

[2015 APHA Annual Meeting & Exposition](#)

Oct. 31-Nov. 4
Chicago, IL

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