

# Member Briefs



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THE ASSOCIATION OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS



## LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY CORNER



### **Congress Recesses for Memorial Day Break Without Agreement on Zika Funds**

Last week Congress recessed for a week-long break before making any reported progress on finding agreement between the Senate-passed \$1.1 billion emergency supplemental appropriation and the House-passed \$622 million package to address Zika. AMCHP continues to work in a broad coalition urging Congress to immediately reconcile these different approaches and approve final passage of an agreement providing the Senate-level of funding as soon as the members return next week. A [set of slides](#) from a recent AMCHP conference call provide an overview of the different funding packages.

### **Healthy Start Reauthorization Introduced**

On May 26, Reps. Tim Ryan (D-OH), Evan Jenkins (R-WV), and John Yarmuth (D-KY) introduced the Healthy Start Reauthorization Act of 2016. This legislation would reauthorize the Healthy Start Program through fiscal 2022. AMCHP is proud to support this legislation and to be recognized in the [announcement](#) released by the sponsoring members of Congress.

### **Health Reform Implementation**

#### **HHS Finalizes Rule Banning Discrimination in the Health Care System**

On May 13, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued a final rule to advance health equity and reduce health care disparities. Under the rule, individuals are protected from discrimination in health care on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability and sex, including discrimination based on

pregnancy, gender identity and sex stereotyping. HHS Secretary Sylvia Burwell noted that the final rule is "a key step toward realizing equity within our health care system" and that it "reaffirms this Administration's commitment to giving every American access to the health care they deserve." The rule also includes important protections for individuals with disabilities and enhances language assistance for people with limited English proficiency. More information is available [here](#).

#### **KFF Study finds Most ACA Enrollees Unaware of Free Preventive Services Provision**

A new study from the [Kaiser Family Foundation](#) (KFF) examines the coverage rates and satisfaction of consumers enrolled in the non-group health insurance market, including both Affordable Care Act (ACA) and ACA-compliant plans (private plans sold outside of the marketplace that follow all ACA coverage guidelines). The study highlights that among all consumers with ACA-compliant coverage, fewer than half (47 percent) know that [preventive services](#) are covered completely by their plans without cost-sharing, while 33 percent think copays or deductibles apply to preventive services, and 20 percent are not sure. Among those in high-deductible plans, KFF finds that awareness of this coverage is even lower, with only 41 percent knowing that preventive services are covered with no cost-sharing. The full study and analysis is available [here](#).

#### **Health Affairs Reports State Variations in Uninsurance Rates More Prominent than Ever**

A new [analysis](#) from [Health Affairs](#) concludes that giving states the option to expand Medicaid has increased the already disparate variation in uninsurance rates among

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the states. From the third quarter of 2013 to the third quarter of 2015, the national uninsurance rate for adults ages 18–64 declined by almost 41 percent, according to the [Health Reform Monitoring Survey](#). States that adopted Medicaid expansion saw uninsurance rates for adults cut by more than half; states that did not expand Medicaid saw a decrease of only one-quarter.

### Health Coverage Rates Improving for Lower Income Children

A new [study](#) from the [Urban Institute](#) reports that during 2014, 91 percent of children who were eligible for [Medicaid](#) or the [Children's Health Insurance Program](#) (CHIP) were enrolled. That's up from 88.7 percent in 2013 and 81.7 percent in 2008. Medicaid and CHIP are both federal-state health coverage programs for lower-income residents, but CHIP provides coverage for kids whose families earn too much to qualify for Medicaid. Not surprisingly, the biggest coverage increases occurred in states that expanded Medicaid to adults with incomes up to 138 percent of the federal poverty level (about \$33,500 for a family of four) — likely a spillover effect as adults signed up and learned that their kids were eligible, too. So far, [31 states](#) and the District of Columbia have adopted the Medicaid expansion.

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### Evidence-Based or -Informed Strategy Measures (ESM) Learning Labs

In follow-up to the State Title V Technical Assistance Meeting that took place in Washington, DC, on April 5-6, the U.S. Maternal and Child Health Bureau is hosting several learning labs, each focusing on a population health domain. The labs will build on the work at the Technical Assistance Meeting to provide ongoing technical support in the development of Evidence-Based or -Informed Strategy Measures (ESMs) to address each of the National Performance Measures (NPM). The lab is scheduled from **3:30-5:00 p.m. ET**. To dial-in, **please call 800-619-3217 (toll-free)** and use **passcode 9245999**. Additional information about registration and scheduling is provided below:

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- The [Perinatal/Infant's Health Lab](#) is scheduled for **June 1** and will discuss NPM 3 (risk-appropriate perinatal care), NPM 4 (breastfeeding) and (safe sleep).

### Applications Open for the 2016 MCH Epi Pre-Conference Trainings

AMCHP and CityMatCH will offer four two-day training options Sept. 12-13 for those wishing to build their skills in Medicaid claims analysis, data communication, spatial thinking and evidence-based public health. A detailed description of each, including learning objectives and MCH leadership competencies addressed, is available through the [AMCHP website](#). To apply, [click here](#). The deadline to submit an application for “early decision” is **June 1**. The training application will remain open as long as slots are available until **July 1**.

### Workforce Development Series Focuses on 'Bench Strength'

AMCHP is pleased to present a new MCH Workforce Development Solutions Series Domain (WSSDOM). This new series will provide a platform for AMCHP members to learn more about successful workforce development solutions to address issues such as staffing, organizational design, accreditation and work process re-design (e.g., due to health transformation), to share innovations and to identify best practices. The WSSDOM series consist of 45-minute live interactive webinars. The next topic is:

#### Building Bench Strength

One of the major changes affecting the Title V workforce is the growing number of the staff who are retiring. Because of the changing workforce, states have increasingly worked to build the bench strength of their staff. This webinar will take place on **June 14 from 3:00-4:00 p.m. ET** and will focus on rebranding succession planning on staff development, overcoming the challenge of engagement, and maintaining realistic goals. This webinar will feature guest speakers Steve Orton, senior investigator for the North Carolina Department of Health, and Regina Bryde, Division of Family Health Title V coordinator for the New York State Department of Health. To register, [click here](#).

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### 2017 Board Nominations

The AMCHP Board of Directors and Governance Committee announces that the following board vacancies will be open for nominations on **June 15**:

- Region II (New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands)
- Region III (Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia)
- Region V (Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin)
- Region VII (Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas)
- Family Delegate

The nomination period will officially close on **Sept. 15** unless further notice is provided. AMCHP member delegates are encouraged to consider applying. Your help is needed to fill these important positions! For more information, [click here](#).

### AMCHP Partners with the Campaign for Dental Health

AMCHP recently signed on as a supporting partner for the Campaign for Dental Health — a network of local and national organizations, scientists, children's and health advocates working to promote and defend community water fluoridation (CWF). Administered by the American Academy of Pediatrics, the campaign provides evidence based information to the public, health providers and decision-makers through its social media channels and [website](#). Working together to raise awareness, oral health advocates and public health departments can

broaden the impact of messages on the importance of good oral health and prevention measures like CWF, especially for pregnant women and children. For more information, contact Hollis Russinof, program manager, at [hrussinof@aap.org](mailto:hrussinof@aap.org) or (847)434-4983.

### Stay Informed About Adolescent and Young Adult Health

A new service is on the way to help you stay up-to-date on adolescent and young adult health topics and resources: The Adolescent and Young Adult Health National Resource Center (AYAH Center), funded by HRSA's Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), recently launched a newsletter -- and Member Briefs subscribers will automatically receive it. The AYAH Center created the newsletter to inform the field about trending adolescent and young adult health topics; provide resources from the AYAH Center, the Collaborative Improvement and Innovation Network (CoIIN) and the MCH community; and promote upcoming events related to adolescent and young adult health. Future issues will include information about AYAH Center activities. For more information about the AYAH Center and its partners -- AMCHP, the National Adolescent and Young Adult Health Information Center (NAHIC), the National Improvement Partnership Network (NIPN) and the State Adolescent Health Resource Center (SAHRC) - - [click here](#).

### Strengthen the Evidence Base: Communities of Practice (CoP)

Come and join AMCHP's Strengthen the Evidence Base: Communities of Practice (CoP)! The CoPs are grouped by population domain, including Child Health, Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN), Cross-cutting/Life Course, and Women's/Maternal Health. The purpose of the CoPs is to provide a space for peer sharing and learning, which could include topics ranging from Evidence Based Strategy Measures development to implementation of your plan. We encourage participants to actively contribute to the CoPs by responding to discussion questions, posting your own questions and resources, and engaging with other participants. To sign up, [click here](#). For questions or additional assistance, please contact Krista Granger at [kgranger@amchp.org](mailto:kgranger@amchp.org) or Sarah Beth McLellan at [smclellan@amchp.org](mailto:smclellan@amchp.org).

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### Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine Educational Presentation Submissions

The Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine (SAHM) 2017 Annual Meeting will take place in March 2017 in New Orleans, LA. SAHM will begin accepting educational and scientific research presentations.

- The application period to submit an educational proposal will begin on **June 1 and close on July 15 at 11:59 p.m. ET**. Presentations should highlight the significance of adolescent health and medicine. Other key selection criteria includes relevance of the conference theme, expertise of the proposed presenters, clarity of educational objectives, likelihood of proposed workshop methods to achieve educational objectives, and perceived relevance to our diverse, multidisciplinary, and international meeting attendees. For additional information, [click here](#).
- Scientific Research Presentations include platform, poster, and poster symposia presentations. The application period will begin on **June 13 and close on Aug. 22 at 11:59 p.m. ET**. For more information, [click here](#).

### Upcoming Webinar

Join BUILD Initiative and other partners of the National Center on Early Childhood Quality Assurance for the last installment in the webinar series focused on evaluating quality initiatives, especially those related to the Child Care and Development Fund. Topics include evaluation basics, data collection and analysis, as well as evaluation timing and reporting.

- Session 3 of the series, on **June 2, from 3:00-4:30 p.m. ET**, will focus on the timing of data analysis, dissemination strategies and the messaging of evaluating findings, as well as ways to examine the infrastructure needed to support evaluation findings over the long term. [Click here](#) to register.

### Summer Learning: Promising Practices and Innovation Strategies

The National Center on Afterschool and Summer Enrichment will host a webinar on **June 2, from 3:00-4:00 p.m. ET**. The webinar will bring awareness to the summer “opportunity gap,” which contributes to gaps in achievement that persist and widen over time,

particularly for low-income students. Participants will learn about the critical issues related to summer learning for the school-age care community. To register, [click here](#).

### Perinatal Quality Collaboratives

The Centers of Disease Control and Prevention will host a webinar on **June 2, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. ET** focusing on the Alliance for Innovation on Maternal Health — a National Collaborative to Reduce Maternal Mortality and Severe Morbidity. For more information, [click here](#).

### Investing in Children’s Health and the Pay for Success Approach

The National Institute for Health Care Management Foundation will host a webinar on **June 6, from 1:00-2:30 p.m. ET**, about the Pay for Success (PFS) approach, which invites investors and philanthropies to fund evidence-based social programs, such as home visits, with reimbursement from the government when the programs achieve their objectives. The webinar will cover how PFS works; which partners and programs might benefit from PFS, and the challenges they face; an update on federal efforts on PFS; results from feasibility studies on various state-level PFS proposals; and a \$30 million multi-sector PFS partnership to expand home visiting in South Carolina. To register, [click here](#).

### Local MCH Response to Zika

City MatCH will host a webinar on **June 6, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. CT**. The webinar will discuss how health departments are preventing and mitigating the effects of Zika, how they’re communicating about Zika, and how the departments are using data to have the most impact with their programming. To register, [click here](#).

### Changing Practice: How to Understand and Address Social Factors that Shape Child Health

The National Center for Medical Home Implementation will host a webinar on **June 8, from 11:00 am-12:00 p.m. CT**. The webinar will focus on the importance and prevalence of social factors in impacting a child’s health; describe the role of the pediatric medical home in identifying and addressing the social factors affecting child health outcomes; and discuss tools and strategies that can assist pediatric medical homes with identifying

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and addressing social needs that affect children's health and development. To register, [click here](#).

### Using Community Assessment to Advance Cultural Competence and Racially Equitable Outcomes for Young Children and Their Families

The National Center on Early Childhood Quality Assurance and the BUILD Initiative will host a webinar on **June 10, from 2:00-3:15 p.m. ET**. The webinar will focus on the components and development of community assessments and how state, territory, tribal leaders and early childhood program directors can use community assessment data to identify and assist underserved populations and those in the greatest need of early education services. The webinar will draw on the Office of Head Start's Five Steps to Community Assessment, which helps leaders make informed decisions about service area plans and delivery, develop strategic plans for the agency, respond to new federal regulations and initiatives, mobilize community resources and reach out to additional funders. Case studies will also be discussed to show how this assessment framework can be used in different situations. To register, [click here](#).

### Institute for Equity in Birth Outcomes

City MatCH is accepting applications for the Third Cohort of the Institute for Equity in Birth Outcomes. Seven Teams will gain the opportunity to be a part of this high-visibility, national movement of urban communities instilling a data-driven focus on public health strategies to reduce inequities in birth outcomes. A major focus for this cohort will be on authentic community engagement and engaging in racial healing activities. Approaches will be thoroughly evaluated, with results and impact of local initiatives broadly disseminated. Please submit all required application materials to Denise Pecha, City MatCH Director of Programs, at [denise.pecha@unmc.edu](mailto:denise.pecha@unmc.edu). Applications must be received by **June 10 at 11:59 p.m. ET** in order to be considered. For more information, [click here](#).

### Addressing Health Coverage Inequities among Children with Special Health Care Needs

On **June 20, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. ET** the Catalyst Center will host a webinar focusing on health care

coverage and financing for children and youth with special health care needs to address inequities (CYSHCN). This can help MCH leaders, family leaders, and other stakeholders to understand and address health care coverage inequalities that exist among vulnerable subgroups of CYSHCN based on race, ethnicity, language, immigration status and other level of functional difficulty. To register, [click here](#).

### The ACE Study: Implications for MCH Policy and Practice

*Maternal and Child Health Journal* is soliciting manuscript submissions based on the ACE (Adverse Childhood Experiences) Study, for an issue dedicated to enhancing knowledge of the study and its implications across the field. Topics of interest include: the aims and findings of the ACE Study; the implications of the study and use of its findings to shape MCH practice in clinical, program and policy settings; the importance of the study in relation to life course theory and social determinants of health; the strengths and limitations of the study as a basis for action to improve MCH outcomes; adoption of a trauma-informed approach on an agency or communitywide basis; and the strengths and limitations of the study in relation to efforts to eliminate inequality in MCH health outcomes. Submissions received by **July 1** will have a greater likelihood of acceptance. When submitting a manuscript, include a cover letter requesting that it be included in the thematic issue and select "ACE Special Issue" as manuscript type. For submissions and additional instructions, [click here](#).

### Free MCH Summer Skills Institute

The National MCH Workforce Development Center is offering a free MCH Summer Skills Institute in August. You can choose either a three-day or five-day schedule to enhance your skills and improve effectiveness. All activities will focus on advancing block grant strategies and outcomes in the health transformation environment. The institute will also include the rescheduled full-day session on Collective Impact in MCH. Hold the dates of **Aug. 22-26** and check out the National MCH Workforce Development Center's [website](#) or AMCHP's Member Briefs/Pulse for registration details. For additional information, [click here](#).



## **Zika Corner**

### **Impact of the Redirection of Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Funding**

The National Association of County and City Health Officials, the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists, and the Association of Public Health Laboratories partnered to conduct an impact assessment survey on recent cuts to Public Health and Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) grants. Congress has not passed emergency supplemental funding for Zika, and as a result the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will be redirecting PHEP funds away from local and state health departments. As a result, state and local health departments are losing the resources needed to effectively respond to Zika and other emergencies at the community level. To access this resource, [click here](#).

## **Workforce Development**

### **Engaging Senior Leadership in Your Quality Improvement (QI) Work**

The National Institute for Children's Health Quality (NICHQ) partnered with the Public Health Quality Improvement Exchange to conduct a free webinar about engaging senior level staff in quality improvement work. To access the archived webinar, [click here](#).

## **Child & Adolescent Health**

### **Experience Matters: A View into the Health and Wellbeing of US Children and Families with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)**

The Child and Adolescent Health Measurement Initiative (CAHMI), Autism Speaks, and Data Resource Center for Child & Adolescent Health recently published a chartbook that identifies the face of ASD, the role of parents and health care providers, and school and social wellbeing. To access the resource, [click here](#).

### **Proceedings for the 2015 Symposium: Designing Systems That Work for Children with Complex Health Care Needs**

The Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health released the session recordings from its national symposium that took place in December 2015. To access the archived webcasts, [click here](#).

### **Friends of MANSEF Transition Toolkit**

The Maryland Association of Nonpublic Special Education Facilities (MANSEF) strives to promote quality services for children and youth with disabilities throughout the state of Maryland. The Friends of MANSEF (FOM) is a group of parents who serve as an advisory capacity to the MANSEF board of directors. FOM recently published a toolkit that includes information on state agencies, benefits, transportation options, postsecondary education for children with special needs throughout the state of Maryland. To access the toolkit, [click here](#).

## **Women's & Infant Health**

### **Maternal and Family Interview Module: Keys to Success for the Interview Process**

The National Fetal and Infant Mortality Review Program (NFIMR) recently launched a one-hour, online module to provide basic information on maternal interviews and to expand the skill set of FIMR coordinators and interviewers. The program includes an overview of the FIMR process, strategies to locate and interview mothers, grief support and self-care for the interviewer. These online materials use an interactive format with tips for success from maternal interviewers. To access the resource, [click here](#).

### **Preventing Preterm Birth Through Progesterone: How Medicaid Can Help Increase Access**

The National Institute for Children's Health Quality (NICHQ) and the National Academy for State Health Policy developed a report that details the effectiveness of progesterone in preventing preterm births for at-risk

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women, the current barriers to progesterone access and how certain state Medicaid agencies are creating new reimbursement models to make it more readily available. To access the resource, [click here](#).

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- On May 15, AMCHP staff members Andria Cornell and Jeanette Kowalik participated in the ACOG-CDC Maternal Safety and Mortality Meeting in Washington, DC. As a panel presenter, Andria shared the successes of the 12 states that participated in the AMCHP *Every Mother Initiative* and joined Dave Goodman from CDC's Division of Reproductive Health to describe a [newly announced](#) collaboration with the division, the CDC Foundation and Merck for Mothers. The collaboration will facilitate standard data collection and analysis, as well as sharing of evidence-based practices and strategies for maternal mortality reviews.
- On May 17, AMCHP staff members Megan Phillippi, Jeanette Kowalik and Andria Cornell attended a Capitol Hill briefing hosted by the National Coalition for Maternal Mental Health. The briefing featured presentations from health professionals as well as consumers directly impacted by mood disorders, and coincided with a fly-in event to support the passage of [HR 3235, "Bringing Postpartum Depression Out of the Shadows Act."](#) AMCHP staff strengthened relationships with the participating organizations and looks forward to further supporting maternal mental health efforts that are moving forward in multiple sectors.
- On May 17-19, AMCHP staffers Atyya Chaudhry and Brent Ewig exhibited at the National Network of Public Health Institutes annual conference. The theme of the conference was *Meaningful Collaboration, Lasting Change: Bridging Sectors to Advance Population Health*.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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### **Association of Public Health Laboratories Seeking Director of Environmental Health Programs**

The Director of Environmental Health Programs provides strategic direction for the Environmental Health Program. The Director envisions ways to improve the environmental health system through public health and environmental laboratories. This individual will work with the Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL) members, funders, staff, and partners to develop and implement goals and objectives for achieving a healthier world through environmental health testing. This position is located in Silver Spring, MD. To apply, [click here](#).

### **Child Trends Searching for Early Childhood Senior Research Scientist**

The Early Childhood Senior Research Scientist is responsible for planning and executing major social science research projects in consultations with other colleagues and/or other organizations. Other duties include designing research approach and selecting appropriate quantitative or other tools of analysis. This individual will lead others to perform analysis, write and present reports, draw policy inferences, and develop proposals. The Senior Research Scientist will function as the principal investigator/project director for research projects. This position is located in Bethesda, MD. To apply, [click here](#).

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### **Preventing Youth and Teen Dating Violence by Addressing Shared Risk and Protective Factors**

Deadline: *June 6, 2016*

The purpose of this funding opportunity from the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration is to assist in funding local health departments in communities with demonstrated high rates of violence to implement the best available strategies to prevent youth violence and teen dating violence. As a result of the program, communities will decrease the burden of youth violence and teen dating violence, and address shared risk and protective factors for multiple forms of violence. For more information, [click here](#).

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### **Resiliency in Communities After Trauma and Stress**

Deadline: *June 7, 2016*

The U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's Center for Mental Health Services is accepting applications for fiscal 2016 Resiliency in Communities After Trauma and Stress (ReCAST Program) grants. This program is designed to assist high-risk youth and families and to promote resilience and equity in communities that have recently faced civil unrest, through implementation of evidence-based, violence prevention and community youth engagement programs, as well as links to trauma-informed behavioral health services. The goal of the ReCAST program is for local community entities to work together in ways that lead to improved behavioral health, empowered community residents, reductions in trauma and sustained community change. For more information, [click here](#).

### **Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Building Care and Prevention Capacity: Addressing the HIV Care Continuum in Southern Metropolitan Areas**

Deadline: *June 12, 2016*

The U.S. Health and Human Resources Administration solicits applications for fiscal 2016 to support a single organization that will serve as the Coordination and Technical Assistance Center (CTAC) for a new Secretary's Minority AIDS Initiative Fund (SMAIF) program entitled Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP) Building Care and Prevention Capacity: Addressing the HIV Care Continuum in Southern Metropolitan Areas. The purpose of this program is to implement innovative models of service delivery that result in improvements in RWHAP Part A jurisdictions' HIV care continuum for minority populations. The CTAC will provide technical assistance and service delivery funding to one sub-recipient in each of four different RWHAP Part A jurisdictions located in the southern United States. For more information, [click here](#).

### **Public Health Preparedness and Response (PHPR) Cooperative Agreement for All-Hazards Public Health Emergencies: Zika 2016**

Deadline: *June 13, 2016*

This funding opportunity announcement outlines Centers for Disease Control guidance, technical, and financial assistance in response to a potential outbreak of Zika virus disease (ZVD) in the continental United States, Hawaii, and U.S. territories and freely associated states. CDC is providing \$25 million in funding to 53 state, territorial and local health departments based on current Zika virus transmission at the time of this announcement, jurisdictions likely to become affected, and evidence of historical arboviral patterns, to support accelerated public health preparedness planning and operational readiness for responding to Zika. The funding is intended to address planning and operational response gaps for ZVD and to assure state, local, and territorial operational readiness for ZVD. For more information, [click here](#).

### **New Access Points**

Deadline: *June 17, 2016*

The U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration is soliciting applications for New Access Points (NAP) grants under the Health Center Program. The purpose of the Health Center Program grant is to support NAPs for the delivery of comprehensive primary health care services to underserved and vulnerable populations. NAPS will increase access to comprehensive, culturally competent, high-quality primary health care services and improve the health status of underserved and vulnerable populations. Health Center Program grants support a variety of community-based and patient-directed public and private nonprofit organizations that serve an increasing number of the nation's underserved. For more information, [click here](#).

### **Pediatric Anesthesia Safety Initiative**

Deadline: *June 17, 2016*

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is accepting applicants for the Pediatric Anesthesia Safety Initiative (PASI). PASI aims to bridge scientific and clinical gaps in the field of pediatrics to ensure the safe use of anesthetic and sedative agents in children. Specific funding activities include implementation of the Public-Private Partnership's Program (PPP), as well as developing, implementing, and managing a scientific and



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and administrative infrastructure of the PPP to support the creation and execution of a series of projects aligned with the PASI. For more information, [click here](#).

### **OJJDP FY 2016 Studies Program on Trauma and Justice-Involved Youth**

Deadline: *June 23, 2016*

The Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) is seeking funding under its fiscal year (FY) 2016 Studies Program on Trauma and Justice-Involved Youth. The program will support original research; design expansions to current research; and/or secondary analysis of existing data to provide objective, independent knowledge about (1) the developmental pathways of youth from violence exposure and trauma to justice involvement; (2) the implications of justice involvement on possible retraumatization; and (3) the development of culturally appropriate, evidence-based trauma-informed practices. OJJDP is particularly interested in proposals that seek to investigate the experiences of youth whose justice system involvement is often understudied, specifically youth who are Hispanic/Latino, American Indian/Alaska Native, LGBTQI, and girls. For more information, [click here](#).

### **Enhanced State Surveillance of Opioid-Involved Morbidity and Mortality**

Deadline: *June 27, 2016*

This funding opportunity is intended to equip states to improve the timeliness of surveillance of opioid-involved morbidity and mortality. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Injury Center intends to support up to 11 state health departments over a three-year project period, with an average award amount \$335,000 each year. A desired outcome of the enhanced surveillance is to provide key stakeholders with more timely data on fatal and nonfatal opioid overdose and more detailed information on risk factors, which can inform prevention and response efforts. Improved quality and timeliness of surveillance data will support and inform ongoing activities to prevent and address prescription drug misuse, abuse and overdose, funded through CDC's existing state programs. For additional information, [click here](#).

### **Personal Responsibility Education Program Innovative Strategies**

Deadline: *June 27, 2016*

The Youth Services Bureau of the U.S. Administration for Children and Families will accept applications from

### **Dissemination and Implementation of Child Health Quality Measures Cooperative Research Grants**

Deadline: *June 28, 2016*

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality invite cooperative agreement applications to support the dissemination and implementation of a subset of new child health quality measures developed by the Pediatric Quality Measures Program-Centers of Excellence in key pediatric measurement and quality improvement (QI) gap areas through the work of multi-disciplinary partnership teams. These teams include pediatric measure developers, QI and systems experts, state Medicaid/Children's Health insurance Programs, health plans, provider level organizations and key stakeholders. For more information, [click here](#).

### **Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Implementation and Evaluation Planning Grants**

Deadline: *July 8, 2016*

The U.S. Administration for Children and Families (ACF) plans to solicit applications for Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Implementation Research and Evaluation Planning Grants. These cooperative agreements would support CCDF Lead Agencies by developing rigorous high-quality research and evaluation plans of the implementation of policies in response to the goals of the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014. These planning grants may be followed by a second competitive funding opportunity that would provide funding to carry out the planned research evaluations. Projects should be led by CCDF lead agencies, but grantees are expected to work with researchers either within their organization or through a partnership with an outside research organization such as a university or research firm. External research partnerships do not have to be formalized at the time of application. Under these cooperative agreements, CCDF lead agencies will choose key provisions of the law and develop a rigorous, high-quality research plan, which includes the use of innovative methods to evaluate implementation of these changes. Provisions of interest include, but are not limited to, expanding the supply and access to family child care, infant/toddler care, and care during non-traditional hours; establishing a state system of support for career pathways and professional development for child care and family child care providers;

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and establishing policies and procedures that fully implement 12-month eligibility to support continuity of care. For more information, [click here](#).

### **Children's Hospitals Graduate Medical Education (CHGME) Payment Program**

Deadline: *July 15, 2016*

The U.S. Health and Human Services Administration solicits applications for the Children's Hospitals Graduate (CHGME) Payment Program. Federal funding for graduate medical education (GME) is primarily provided by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). Prior to the enactment of the CHGME Payment Program, children's teaching hospitals received a disproportionately low amount of federal GME funding when compared to teaching hospitals that serve adult patients. The purpose of the CHGME Payment Program is to compensate for the disparity in the level of federal GME funding for freestanding children's teaching hospitals versus other types of teaching hospitals. For more information, [click here](#).

### **Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program (HTPCP)**

Deadline: *Aug. 2, 2016*

The U.S. Health and Human Services Administration solicits applications for Healthy Tomorrows Partnership with Children Program (HTPCP). The purpose of this grant program is to increase the number of innovative community-initiated programs that promote access to health care for children, youth, and their families nationwide, and employ preventive health strategies. This program most closely supports the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) goals to improve access to quality health care and services, to build healthy communities, and to improve health equity. Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program (HTPCP) funding supports projects that provide clinical or public health services, not research projects. Applications must represent either a new initiative (i.e., project that was not previously in existence) within the community or an innovative new component that builds upon an existing community-based program or initiative. For more information, [click here](#).

### **NIH Initiative to Maximize Research Education in Genomics Diversity Action Plan**

Deadline: *Sept. 6, 2016*

The National Institutes of Health presents this funding opportunity to facilitate the training of individuals at all career levels (undergraduate, graduate, post baccalaureate, postdoctoral and faculty) 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](#).

### **Developing Goals and Strategies to Improve the Care of Children with Chronic and Complex Health Conditions**

Deadline: *Sept. 15, 2016*

The Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health seeks applications for grants to develop single-topic issue briefs that describe goals and processes to improve aspects of the systems of care for children with chronic and complex health conditions in the United States. The briefs will provide specific, scalable recommendations for action related to practice, research, programs and policy. For more information [click here](#).

### **Improving the Coordination and Documentation of Enrollment into Early Intervention for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children through Parent Engagement**

Deadline: *Sept. 30, 2016*

The Disability Research and Dissemination Center is presenting a funding opportunity to help increase parental/public awareness about the importance and benefits of signing a release to share early intervention information (information release) with the state Early Hearing Detection and Intervention programs, as well as engaging and supporting families in the intervention process. For more information, [click here](#).

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### **Using Existing Early Intervention Data to Assess Outcomes among Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children**

Deadline: *Sept. 30, 2016*

The Disability Research and Dissemination Center is presenting a funding opportunity to assess the outcomes of deaf or hard of hearing children identified through state early intervention programs by using existing intervention and educational data sets. For more information, [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 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, [click here](#).

### **Reducing Health Disparities among Minority and Underserved Children**

Deadline: *Jan. 7, 2017*

This initiative encourages research that targets the reduction of health disparities among children. Specific targeted areas of research include bio behavioral studies that incorporate multiple factors that influence child health disparities such as biological (e.g., genetics, cellular, organ systems), lifestyle, environmental (e.g., physical and family environments), social (e.g., peers), economic, institutional, and cultural and family influences; studies that target the specific health promotion needs of children with a known health condition and/or disability; and studies that test and evaluate the comparative effectiveness of health promotion interventions conducted in traditional and nontraditional settings. For more information, [click here](#) (R01) or [here](#) (R21).

### **Chronic Illness Self-Management in Children and Adolescents**

Deadline: *Jan. 7, 2017*

The purpose of this announcement is to encourage research to improve self-management and quality of life in children and adolescents with chronic conditions. Children with a chronic condition and their families have a long-term responsibility for self-management. For more information, [click here](#) (R01) or [here](#) (R21).

### **Understanding Factors in Infancy and Early Childhood That Influence Obesity Development**

Deadline: *Feb. 5, 2017*

This funding announcement invites Research Project Grant (R01) applications from institutions/organizations which propose to characterize or identify factors in early childhood (birth-24 months) that might increase or mitigate risk for obesity and/or excessive weight gain and/or to fill methodological research gaps relevant to the understanding of risk for development of obesity in children. For more information, [click here](#).

### **Maternal Nutrition and Pre-pregnancy Obesity: Effects on Mothers, Infants and Children**

Deadline: *Varies*

This announcement encourages applications to improve health outcomes for women, infants and children, by stimulating interdisciplinary research focused on maternal nutrition and pre-pregnancy obesity. Maternal health significantly impacts not only the mother but also the intrauterine environment, and subsequently fetal development and the health of the newborn. The announcement expires May 7, 2018. For more information, [click here](#).

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## AMCHP EVENTS

### [AMCHP 2017 Annual Conference](#)

Mar. 4-7, 2017  
Kansas City, MO

## MCH EVENTS

### [Quality and Safety for Leaders in Women's Health Care](#)

Jun. 9-11, 2016  
Chicago, IL

### [AWHONN 2016 Convention](#)

Jun. 11-15, 2016  
Grapevine, TX

### [CSTE Annual Conference](#)

Jun. 19-23, 2016  
Anchorage, AK

### [Quality Rating and Improvement Systems \(QRIS\) National Meeting](#)

Jul. 12-14, 2016  
New Orleans, LA

### [NACCHO Annual Conference](#)

Jul. 19-21, 2016  
Phoenix, AZ

### [ROSE 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Breastfeeding Summit](#)

Jul. 28-29, 2016  
New Orleans, LA

### [Public Health Informatics Conference](#)

Aug. 21-24, 2016  
Atlanta, GA

### [20<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect](#)

Aug. 31-Sept. 2, 2016  
Washington, DC

### [CityMatCH Leadership and MCH Epidemiology Conference](#)

Sept. 14-16, 2016  
Philadelphia, PA

### [Congenital Cytomegalovirus Public Health and Policy Conference](#)

Sept. 25-27, 2016  
Austin, TX

### [Society for Longitudinal and Life Course Studies 2016 Conference](#)

Oct. 5-8, 2016  
Bamberg, Germany

### [Healthy Teen Network 2016 Conference](#)

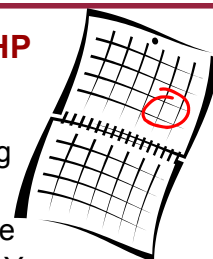
Nov. 16-18, 2016  
Las Vegas, NV

### [AUCD Conference](#)

Dec. 4-7, 2016  
Washington, DC

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