

Weekly Medical Directors Briefing March 9-13, 2020

The Coronavirus is Here. Is Your Pediatric Team Ready?

As a leader in primary care innovation, Weitzman Institute is taking measures to support safety net practices and their patients prepare for the coronavirus. Last week, Weitzman Institute offered a free ECHO session, a webinar on health center preparedness, and more.

This week, Weitzman Institute is offering a special free session on the coronavirus on Wednesday, March 11, 2020, at 9 a.m., for pediatric health care professionals nationally, including those in school-based health centers. We will discuss how to speak with children and about the coronavirus, the external anxiety factors that you may be encountering with your pediatric patients and their families, and self-care for clinicians.

[Sign-Up Now](#)

You can access video recordings, slides, and other resources about the coronavirus on the [Weitzman Institute](#) page.

PHC Educational Opportunities and Events:

Regional Medical Directors Meetings: Registration Now Open (Please Note Time Change!)

Biannually, PHC hosts four regional, in-person, meetings with clinical leaders of primary care organizations.

In response to suggestions from prior meetings, we are testing a new modular meeting format. This will allow you to have appropriate members of your team come to one or more portions of the meeting, depending on their interest. Our goal is to make the level of discussion, for all topics, to be of interest for all clinical leaders.

Schedule:

Time	Topic
9 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Health Policy and Public Health Updates and Discussion
11:45 a.m. – Noon	Lunch
Noon – 1 p.m.	Clinical Updates (Topics also helpful for practicing clinicians)
1:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.	Quality Improvement updates, discussion and sharing of best practices.

Dates & Locations:

April 17, 2020 - Redding (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

[Click here to sign-up](#)

April 24, 2020 – Eureka (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

[Click here to sign-up](#)

May 1, 2020 – Ukiah (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

[Click here to sign-up](#)

May 8, 2020 – Novato (9 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

[Click here to sign-up](#)

Addressing the Methamphetamine: What are the Options?

PHC's Behavioral Health Clinical Director, Dr. Jeff DeVido is hosting a webinar titled: "Treatment Options? What Treatment Options? Making Sense of Methamphetamine."

After an overview of the psychopharmacology of methamphetamine, Dr. DeVido will review the evidence base around different therapeutic options for addressing methamphetamine use disorder.

Date: Thursday, March 12, 2020

Time: Noon to 1 p.m.

Registration: [Click here](#)

ABCs of Quality Improvement

At this free, all-day training, participants will be introduced to the Model for Improvement, learn how to develop aim statements, measures and PDSA cycles, and will learn how to use data for quality improvement.

Who should attend? QI clinical champions (providers and nurses), clinic managers, QI staff or project leads, and front and back office staff are encouraged to attend.

Date: April 16, 2020

Time: 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Location: The McConnel Foundation Lema Ranch – Redding, CA

Registration: [click here](#)

Recommended Educational Opportunities Outside of PHC:

COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Emergency Preparedness Video. Is Your Health Center Ready?

As a leader in primary care innovation, the Weitzman Institute is supporting safety net practices and their patients in response to the spread of COVID-19. We are sharing best practices with health centers nationally.

Please view this video on COVID-19 Emergency Preparedness Planning from CHC's Weitzman Institute focusing on the role of FQHC leadership, staff support, and key strategies for preparedness and easing anxiety.

View [presentation slides](#)

View [video](#)

Introduction to the Mother and Baby Substance Exposure Toolkit

Objectives: At the completion of this webinar, participants will be able to:

1. Understand best practice for universal verbal screening versus toxicology testing.
2. Identify the types of Medication Assisted Treatment and understand why it is the standard of care for OUD in pregnancy.
3. Describe best practices for nonpharmacologic treatment for newborns with NAS.
4. Understand the importance of preserving the mother/baby dyad for women with OUD and supporting practices.
5. Identify how hospitals can support the safe discharge of mothers with OUD and their newborns.

****A live demonstration of the toolkit features will also be presented.****

CEUs will be offered for this webinar. Real-time attendance is required for the entire webinar to receive CEUs. Provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, provider #3104 for one (1) contact hour.

Date: March 13, 2020

Time: 12 p.m.

Registration: [click here](#)

Buprenorphine Waiver Training (CME's Available)

Who should attend? Pediatric Providers and Child-Adolescent Psychiatrist who perform addiction work. Non-Pediatric Providers (MD's, DO's, NP's, and PA's) are encouraged to attend but it is encouraged that you are practicing in pediatrics.

Date: May 8, 2020

Time: 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Location: UCSF Dept. of Pediatric Medicine, San Francisco, CA

Cost: Free

Sing-Up Now: Contact Jeff DeVido, MD, PHC's Substance Use Medical Director at: jdevido@partnershiphp.org.

Region IX Clinical Excellence Conference

The California Primary Care Association (CPCA) and the Western Clinicians Network (WCN) have partnered to host the Region IX Clinical Excellence Conference. This three-day conference brings together healthcare leadership from across the region to focus on health center clinical and management teams with the goal of improving overall efficiency and effectiveness in care delivery.

Clinicians, Executive Directors, State and Regional Primary Care partners and board members from community and migrant health centers from Arizona, California, Nevada, Hawaii, and the Pacific Islands will be in attendance. These

executive directors, medical directors, dental directors, chief financial officers and other management positions use this annual event to network and discover new opportunities in all areas of primary healthcare.

Date: June 14 – 16, 2020

Location: Las Vegas, Nevada

Cost: \$80 per registrant

Registration: [click here](#)

Nuka System of Care Conference

Health care is undergoing a dramatic change from volume- to value-based care, with an emphasis on quality, population health outcomes and whole person care. Southcentral Foundation's Nuka system of Care (Nuka) is an award-winning system in Anchorage, Alaska, that has been providing value-based care for more than 30 years.

SCF's Nuka conference features detailed insights from more than 50 subject matter experts on topics such as integrated care, data and information management, behavioral health integration, leadership best practices, strategic planning, and more.

Using tools and methodologies unique to Nuka, conference participants walk away inspired by the future of health care and equipped with answers to issues facing their organizations.

Date: June 15 – 19, 2020

Location: Anchorage, Alaska

Cost: \$2,150 for Core Concepts

\$1,250 for General Conference

Register by May 8, 2020 and save \$600

Registration: [click here](#)