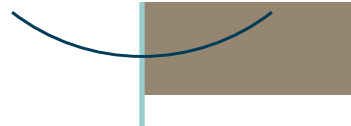




CHC Digest



News & Notices

(Updates courtesy of CHC Services Team)

Health Reform Implementation Timeline

With the recent health reform bill signed into law last week, the Kaiser Family Foundation has developed a timeline for the enactment of the law. This timeline identifies, per year, over the next ten years the phasing-in of the legislation. Highlights for 2010 include development of a high risk pool for people with pre-existing conditions and tax credits for small businesses that provide health insurance to their employees. The new law also addresses additional insurance reforms, Medicare, Medicaid, Prescription Drugs, Quality Improvement, Workforce and tax changes to the health care system.

Please [review the timeline](#) and additional health reform information provided here.

Indiana Collaborative Receives \$10.3 Million in Federal Stimulus Funds to Improve Healthcare through Information Technology

The State of Indiana was recently awarded a \$10.3 million (over four years) grant to further enhance the quality and reach of the state's existing health information technology delivery system. The grant will be made to the state through a new state-chartered non-profit entity created for this program, Indiana Health Information Technology, Inc. (IHIT).

IHIT will work with Indiana's robust private sector of health information organizations (HIOs), including: Indiana Health Information Exchange (IHIE), HealthLINC, MedWeb, Michiana Health Information Network (MHIN), and HealthBridge to advance statewide the effective use of health information technology for the delivery of better patient care.

IHIT, in collaboration with the HIOs, will prioritize and develop work plans for the following key areas of focus:

- Expanding the infrastructure statewide to add more connectivity and interoperability, especially in underserved areas
- Establishing standard formats for the delivery of clinical messages so that communication between two entities in the statewide system can be sent and received seamlessly
- Expanding electronic quality reporting, public health reporting, and other clinical summaries relevant to meaningful use guidelines
- Developing a system that will identify patient records and match them to the specific individual's health information across all healthcare providers
- Adopting nomenclature normalization based on national standards

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- Building a clinical repository with data from Medicaid patient records for better information on their patient populations
- Creating a statewide shared healthcare provider directory

More information can be found on the FSSA website at www.in.gov/fssa or the BioCrossroads website at www.biocrossroads.com.

Especially for FQHC's

(Updates courtesy of Carla Chance and Mark Vonderheit)

SBIRT codes added- (Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral for Treatment)

CPT codes 99408 and 99409 have been added to the encounter list for Indiana Medicaid effective January 1, 2010. These codes/services represent a comprehensive, integrated, public health approach to the delivery of early intervention and treatment service for persons with substance use disorders, as well as those who are at risk of developing these disorders.

OMPP will formally add this update to upcoming banners and bulletins in April which will be found at www.indianamedicaid.com. Please link to the banners or bulletin page for the information found under the publications heading.

Interim Medicare Certification Process

The Health Resources and Services Administration's Office of Regional Operations – Chicago Regional Division has provided an interim guidance for the Medicare Certification Process for FQHCs, Look-Alike and other Section 330 funded entities. It is highly recommended that the afore mentioned entities begin the application process the day it receives its Notice of Grant Award as it takes a minimum of 90 days to process a new application. This application must be approved prior to submitting an application to the state Medicaid Agency for approval to bill it for cost-based services delivered to Medicaid-covered patients.

Entities applying for an existing or new site/location as a Medicare provider must provide the CMS contractor with the following key forms:

- A copy of the entity's Notice of Grant Award from HRSA; or a copy of its FQHC Look-Alike Designation Memo from CMS; or confirmation that the entity is a qualifying tribal or urban Indian organization outpatient healthcare facility;
- A completed CMS-855A Form (enrollment application) along with supporting documentation as requested;
- **Two** completed and signed Exhibit 177 (self-attestation) that the facility meets relevant federal requirements;

as well as the forms required at the CMS Web site's "Enrollment Applications Information and Checklist" section. All of these forms and the checklist are available at: <http://www.ngsmedicare.com/content.aspx?CatID=5&DOCID=1599>. If these forms and the checklist do not appear, enter the words "Enrollment Applications Information and Checklist" into the search function and then hit Enter.

For more detailed information on the process (where to obtain the forms, how to submit the forms and the review and approval procedure) please click [here](#).

Reminder for Capital Link Survey

Capital Link is in the process of updating the nationwide capital needs for health centers. If you have not already taken the survey, you can access it by [clicking here](#) or copying this link into your browser:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=hpifBL4xwwpykXgP0vUT2BosdiU%2bqJtyfK%2fu2J6%2fumE%3d&>

CHC Program Updates

CHC Services

(Updates courtesy of Carla Chance)

CDC Health Alert – Temporarily Suspend Usage of Rotavirus Vaccine

Many of you should already be aware that on March 22, 2010 the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued an Official Health Alert over the Health Alert Network. The advisory recommended that clinicians temporarily suspend the use of GlaxoSmithKline's Rotarix (Rotavirus) vaccine. For details regarding this alert please access the following link:

[Recommendation to Temporarily Suspend Usage of GlaxoSmithKline Rotarix \(Rotavirus\) Vaccine](#)

NHSC Update

(Updates courtesy of Natalie Brown)

NHSC Sites can begin requesting Part-time vacancies

The National Health Service Corps Recruitment, Training and Support Center has sent an email notice to all NHSC sites letting them know they can begin requesting Part-Time vacancies in preparation for the Part-Time Loan Repayment Demonstration Project that will be open for application submission in April. Included are [Frequently Asked Questions](#) about the Part-Time Loan Repayment Demonstration Project.

For additional assistance or questions about processing part-time vacancies, please contact the National Health Service Corps Recruitment, Training and Support Center at 1-877-313-1823 to speak with your Site Advisor.

Finance & Operations

(Updates courtesy of Mark Vonderheit)

Indiana Health Coverage Programs—Revised EPSDT Provider Manual

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP-Indiana Medicaid) have revised the EPSDT provider manual and posted it to the website listed below. Section revisions to the manual include Hoosier Healthwise, Vaccines for Children (VFC) billing, Prenatal Care Coordination, Prenatal Substance Use Prevention Program, Healthy Families Program, Northwest Indiana Healthy Start and Fee for Service Claims Submitted with Place of Service 20-26.

As a suggestion for any presumptive eligible applicant, please distribute this notice to them as part of the application process and post strategically for viewing within the health center.

<http://www.indianamedicaid.com/ihcp/Publications/manuals.htm>

Dental Workshops for IHCP

The Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP) website has posted banner number, BR201011 that provides an important update on the recently adopted ADA designations for Supernumerary Tooth Ranges. This change eliminates the CDT D7999 code. Please read the banner, BR201011, dated March 16, 2010 which is found at http://www.indianamedicaid.com/ihcp/Publications/banner_results.asp for more details.

You will also find information regarding provider workshops for home health, hospice and [dental providers](#). The dental provider portion of the workshop is scheduled for 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. (for dates and places please see the table below).

Providers may enroll in the workshop on www.indianamedicaid.com under Provider Services > Education Opportunities > Workshop Registration. If you have questions, please call Provider Relations at (317) 488-5072.

Date	Location
April 7, 2010	Deaconess Hospital, Bernard Schnacke Auditorium: 600 Mary St., Evansville, IN 47747
April 15, 2010	East Chicago—Regional WS, St. Catherine's Hospital Professional Office Building Confer-
April 21, 2010	Parkview Hospital Corporate Office: 10501 Corporate Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46845

Emergency Preparedness

(Updates courtesy of Jenifer Nelson)

NIMS/ICS Regional Training

In the month of April the Indiana Primary Health Care Association and the Indiana Rural Health Association will jointly present regional NIMS/ICS training in a classroom environment. The training is available to all at no cost. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided to all registered participants. The trainings will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. EST. **Please register** by email at jnelson@indianapca.org or call 317-630-0845 x119 **today!**

<p><u>Southern: April 14th</u> Daviess Community Hospital Classrooms 1 & 2 1314 East Walnut Street Washington, IN 47501</p>	<p><u>Central: April 21st</u> Real Life Church 971 W. US Hwy 40 Greenfield, IN 46140</p>	<p><u>Northern: April 28th</u> Community Hospital of Bremen Board Room 1020 High Road Bremen, IN 46506</p>
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Medical Reserve Corp

IPHCA recently interviewed the Indiana Statewide MRC Coordinator, Rachel Fuhr, Indiana State Department of Health, to learn more about the Medical Reserve Corps. Ms. Fuhr explained that the MRC is a local, volunteer organization regularly engaged in the public health of the community they serve. She stated that the local MRC units are usually started by someone in the community, often a retired professional, who wants to volunteer for his or her locality. The local MRC units, she indicated, are not just comprised of medical and public health professionals, but also include community members filling key support positions.

Indiana currently has 22 MRC units throughout the state. More information about them can be found here: <http://www.medicalreservecorps.gov/FindMRC.php>.

When asked what she thought the best feature of the Medical Reserve Corp was, Ms. Fuhr said, "It would be support at the local level. The MRC is not only active in times of emergency, but support the health and well-being of their community all the time."

According to the Office of Civilian Volunteer Medical Reserve Corps (OCVMRC), "The mission of the Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) is to improve the health and safety of communities across the country by organizing and utilizing public health, medical and other volunteers." The OCVMRC indicates that volunteers in 2004 helped in response to the hurricanes by "filling in at local hospitals, assisting their neighbors at local shelters, and providing first aid to those injured by the storms." Additionally, in the 2005 hurricane response, MRC units helped, "by staffing special needs shelters, Community Health Centers and health clinics, and assisting health assessment teams in the Gulf Coast region."



Learn more about the Medical Reserve Corp here: www.medicalreservecorps.gov.

Decontamination: Please check the IPHCA website [here](#) for templates on Decontamination for your facilities.

Upcoming IPHCA Emergency Management Events

April 1, 2010	Red Cross Online Continuity of Operations Tool	12:30—1:00 EST Webinar
May 11, 2010	Alternate Care Sites	1:00—2:00 EST Conference Call
June 9, 2010	Redundant Communications Equipment and Tools	12:00— 1:00 EST Webinar
July 7, 2010	Community and Partnerships	11:30— 12:30 EST Conference Call



For questions regarding IPHCA's training activities or registration, please contact **Stephanie Suddeth**, Member Services Specialist, at 317-630-0845 or ssuddeth@indianapca.org.

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****Save the Date****

IPHCA's Annual Conference is scheduled for October 11—12, 2010!
Contact **Stephanie Suddeth** for more information!

Upcoming IPHCA Events

For updated information please view IPHCA's Event Calendar at: <http://www.indianapca.org/eventscalender/index.html>

April

- * *April 1, 2010: Red Cross Continuation of Operations Plan Webinar, 12:30—1:00 EST*
- * *April 8, 2010: Online Coding Seminar "ICD-9-CM Diagnosis Coding I"*
- * *April 13, 2010: Online Coding Seminar "Behavioral Health"*
- * *April 22, 2010: Online Coding Seminar "ICD-9-CM Diagnosis Coding II"*

Other Training Opportunities

- * Indiana Joint National Public Health Week Conference, "A Healthier America: One Community at a Time" will be held at the IUPUI Campus Center on **April 6-7, 2010**. The abstract submission system for the 2010 meeting is internet-based. To find the instructions and forms necessary for submitting your abstract, please click [here](#). You can also download the registration brochure here: [registration brochure 20101.pdf](#)
- * The Indiana Minority Health Coalition cordially invites you to attend the 2010 Minority Health Initiative Annual Luncheon. Theme: Healthy Babies, A Healthy Future: Preventing Infant Mortality. **Wednesday, April 21, 2010 from 10:30am to 1:30pm at the Indianapolis Marriot Downtown**. To register by phone call (31) 926-4011, or register online at www.imhc.org.
- * Third Annual Recruitment and Retention Webinar Series, Presented by OACHC and the National Rural Recruitment and Retention Network (3RNet). Scheduled topic on **April 22, 2010**: The Why, Who, When and What of Background Investigations, Credentialing and Privileging.
- * **May** is American Stroke Month and the American Heart Association and The American Stroke Association have available the **2010 Stroke Month Kit and Resources**. You'll find that both of these friendly URL's will take you directly to the 2010 Stroke Month Kit: www.heart.org/americanstrokemonth or www.heart.org/strokekit
- * *The Future of the Medical Home*: 2010 National Farmworker Health Conference has been scheduled for **May 5-7, 2010 in San Diego, CA**. Learn how the new Health Care Reform law will affect you, your health center, your staff, your patients and your communities. [Save Money and Register on or before April 14!](#)
- * The "Maximizing Revenue and Third Party Reimbursement Seminar", designed by NACHC, will be held **May 5-6, 2010 in San Francisco, CA**. This seminar will provide FQHCs and health centers with the training to reduce costs, enhance quality and increase reimbursements. [Find more information](#) or [Register Now](#).
- * Indiana Stroke Prevention Task Force Conference: Stroke in Indiana—2010 and Beyond. **June 4, 2010** in the Lilly Conference Center at the Marten House Hotel.