News, Resources & Events:

**WOMEN AND HIV: DIFFERENCES AND DISPARITIES (WEBINAR) – SEPTEMBER 18, 2018, 11:00 AM -12:00 PM ET**
Source: Mountain West AETC
Presented by Kathy Brown, MD, FACP, AAHIVS, Medical Director, HIV/PrEP Program, Kaiser Permanente Washington (formerly Group Health), this talk will explore how HIV acquisition and treatment in women differ from men, and examine the disparities in research, the continuum of care and stigma. Register today.

**HCV+HIV BOOTCAMP, SEPTEMBER 22, 2018, SHREVEPORT, LA**
Source: South Central AETC, Tulane University
The purpose of this event is to increase providers' knowledge about the physiology and epidemiology of HCV/HIV co-infection, and promote competency in screening, treating and linking patients to care. CEUs are available. Register here.

**BACK TO SCHOOL: SUBSTANCE USE AND MENTAL HEALTH (WEBINAR) – SEPTEMBER 26, 2018, 12:00-1:00 PM ET**
Source: MidAtlantic AETC
The purpose of this webinar is to increase participants’ knowledge about mental health and substance use among college students. Learning objectives include discussing common mental health issues among college students, substance use patterns among college students, and identifying elements of an initial assessment for mental health issues and substance use issues. CEUs are available. Register here.

**21ST ANNUAL MIDWEST AIDS TRAINING AND EDUCATION PARTNERS HIV TREATMENT UPDATE: PROGRESS TOWARDS GETTING TO ZERO IN THE MIDWEST – SEPTEMBER 27, 2018, 5:00-9:00 PM, CHICAGO, IL**
Source: Midwest AIDS Training and Education Center (MATEC)
This program updates clinical healthcare professionals on the most recent advances in HIV treatment therapies, management, and clinical care. Register here.

**21ST ANNUAL CONTROVERSIES IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE HIV-INFECTED PATIENT (HALF-DAY TRAINING) – NOVEMBER 16, 2018, NEW YORK, NY, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM**
Source: Northeast/Caribbean AETC, Weill Cornell Medical College
This meeting consists of 5 state-of-the-art, half-hour lectures by experts in the field plus question and answer sessions. The purpose of this activity is to improve patient care through increasing providers’ knowledge, competence, and performance. The course is intended for physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses, pharmacists and other clinicians who may encounter HIV-infected patients in practice. Register here.

**HIV CLINICIAN SCHOLARS PROGRAM**
Source: MATEC
The MATEC Clinician Scholars Program is a 12-month training program specifically designed for minority or predominately minority serving, front line clinical care providers (physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, advanced practice nurses and pharmacists), who are interested in the diagnosis, treatment, medical management, and prevention of HIV. For the purposes of this program,
minorities are described as African Americans, Alaska Natives, Latinos, American Indians, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders in highly impacted communities. This year-long fellowship-like mentored experience has demonstrate positive practice improvements as well as impacts on participants’ values and competencies as well as professional identity and linkages to the care system. 

Updated: Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Healthcare Associates HIV Manual

Source: New England AETC

This updated manual provides guidance on how to approach HIV testing & counseling, patient evaluation, initiation of antiretroviral therapy, opportunistic infections and co-morbidities, STDs, HIV prevention, and more, for the management of HIV disease. Information included is based on updated guidelines for HIV-infected adults. Click here for resource manual.

2018 Clinical Conference at the National Ryan White Conference on HIV Care & Treatment, December 9-11, 2018, Oxon Hill, MD

Source: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services (HHS), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB), AETC National Coordinating Resource Center (NCRC)

Registration is still open for this annual event which provides state-of-the-science research, care, and treatment updates for clinical decision makers who are responsible for the day-to-day healthcare and treatment of persons living with HIV as well as those at greatest risk of new HIV infection. The goal is to have 600-800 physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants in Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (RWHAP)–funded clinics, health centers, or programs attend the Clinical Conference. Topics related to all aspects of the HIV care continuum will be addressed. RWHAP Part A, B, C, D, and F-funded clinical prescribers from all regions of the U.S. and its territories regardless of whether from a metropolitan academic medical center, an urban hospital, a state or local department of health, or a rural family practice health center are all welcome to attend, so please share this information with your colleagues, if appropriate. Get the word out to all RWHAP funded providers to attend! Register for the conference here.

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Visit the National Clinician Consultation Center to obtain timely and confidential clinician-to-clinician consultation related to treatment of people living with HIV infection (HIV Warmline, Perinatal HIV Hotline), occupational and non-occupational exposure to HIV (PEPline), prevention of HIV (PrEPline), hepatitis C virus infection (Hepatitis C Warmline), and substance use (Substance Use Warmline).

Practice Transformation

Advanced Primary Care: A Key Contributor to Successful Accountable Care Organizations (ACOs), 2018 Evidence Report

Source: Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative, Robert Graham Center, IBM Watson Health

This Report examines how the role of advanced primary care, such as the Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH), may contribute to the success or failure of ACOs. To answer this question, the researchers utilized qualitative methods which included two literature reviews and the input of an expert committee, and quantitative research which included analysis of the 2014 Medicare Shared Savings Program data set and National Committee for Quality Assurance PCMH data set. This Report is accompanied by an Executive Summary and Key Findings White Paper. Click here for report and supporting documents.
Interprofessional Education

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COLLABORATIVE CARE LEARNING NETWORK, SEPTEMBER 19-21, 2018, SAN ANTONIO, TX
Source: Collaborative Care Alliance, University Health System, University of Texas Health San Antonio

This conference allows attendees to explore the evolution of models of collaborative care across many settings: community, mental health, outpatient, inpatient, and education. Learn more about innovative approaches for enhancing interprofessional collaboration and actively engaging patients and families. Connect, learn, share insights, and reflect with others from across the U.S. and internationally. Click here to register. https://www.createbettercare.org/annual-meeting.

Minority AIDS Initiative/Secretary’s Minority AIDS Initiative Fund (SMAIF)

HIV/HCV COINFECTION: TREAT BOTH, TREAT NOW VIDEO
Source: AETC NCRC, AETC Program HIV/HCV Co-infection Community of Learning

To address the disparities in hepatitis C prevalence, treatment, and cure among people of color living with HIV, an AETC Program and Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) collaborative initiative was started in 2016. This video highlights some of the collaborating successes and challenges of this initiative, and will hopefully be helpful for other healthcare providers and public health organizations to address co-infection in their own communities across the country. Click here to view video.

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FOA: HALTING TB TRANSMISSION IN HIV-ENDEMIC AND OTHER HIGH-TRANSMISSION SETTINGS
Source: U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services (HHS), National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases

The objectives of this funding opportunity are to understand the critical drivers of TB transmission at the individual and population levels in high-burden settings, particularly where high incidence of HIV co-infection contributes to TB rates, develop potential interventions to prevent TB transmission in these settings, and measure the rate of transmission supported by the biomedical basis of transmission and related risk factors. Some key dates to remember are:

- Open Date & Letter of Intent Due Date: November 5, 2018
- Application Due Date: December 5, 2018, 5 pm ET

Click here for application & requirements/guidelines.

6TH ANNUAL RURAL HIV RESEARCH AND TRAINING CONFERENCE, SEPTEMBER 21-22, 2018, SAVANNAH, GA
Source: Rising Sun Productions, The AIDS Institute, SERO Project, AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Georgia Dept. of Health, Morehouse School of Medicine, Georgia AETC and partners

This meeting provides a space to exchange the latest information and learn the newest tools to address the challenges of the HIV epidemic in rural communities. Health professionals will share innovative strategies, discuss unique challenges and foster advocacy and community partnerships to address HIV prevention, intervention and care, working with children, youth and families in rural communities. AETC Program members will be in attendance to exhibit and present during the poster session. Click here to register.

ADVANCING EXCELLENCE IN TRANSGENDER HEALTH: A CORE COURSE FOR THE WHOLE CARE TEAM, SEPTEMBER 21-23, 2018, BOSTON, MA
Source: National LGBT Health Education Center, Fenway Health

This conference was developed in response to the high volume of queries from clinicians and healthcare staff seeking to learn about providing high-quality care for adults, adolescents, and children who are questioning their gender identity or who identify as transgender or gender non-binary. It is designed to train the whole
healthcare team in providing competent and confident gender-affirmative health care, grounded in research evidence and best clinical practices. Sessions are led by expert faculty specialized in transgender-focused research and patient care. The conference is appropriate for all members of health care teams, including physicians, behavioral health care providers, physician assistants, nurses, and other staff. CEUs are available.

Click here to register.

THE INTERSECTION OF HEPATITIS, HIV, AND THE OPIOID CRISIS: THE NEED FOR A COMPREHENSIVE RESPONSE (ISSUE BRIEF)

Source: National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors (NASTAD)

This brief provides an overview of the relationship between viral hepatitis, HIV and the opioid crisis in the U.S., and calls for health departments and public health programs to respond to these intersecting epidemics with compassionate, scientifically grounded approaches. Suggested action steps like supporting harm reduction efforts, an increased focus on prevention, care and treatment for hepatitis C and HIV, and ensuring access to health care and coordinated care services are outlined.

Click here for the issue brief.

PLANNING AHEAD FOR OPEN ENROLLMENT: WHAT’S NEW FOR 2019 (ARCHIVED TRAINING)

Source: HHS, HRSA, Access, Care and Engagement (ACE) Technical Assistance (TA) Center

The purpose of this training is to prepare program managers, case managers and supporting staff for Open Enrollment 2019 (beginning Nov 1, 2018), to help streamline workflows, educate staff and build enrollment capacity, develop enrollment partnerships, and effectively communicate with clients and share key health coverage messages. Presenters share updates on upcoming changes to enrollment and Marketplace health coverage for 2019 and relevant ACE TA Center resources to support Open Enrollment. Click here for webinar recording and materials.

ANAC 2018 – NOVEMBER 8-10, 2018, DENVER, CO

Source: Association of Nurses in AIDS Care

ANAC2018 is the leading conference for nurse practitioners and nurses working in HIV and its associated conditions, co-infections and co-morbidities. This annual meeting includes expert speakers, symposia, roundtable discussions and abstract-driven presentations. Conference objectives aim to discuss innovative biomedical, psychosocial and behavioral research in HIV, strategize about how to advocate for advancements in HIV care and prevention within the existing policy environment, and demonstrate an enhanced ability to care for key populations at risk for, living with or affected by HIV while increasing the capacity to identify, treat and care for individuals at risk for and/or living with viral hepatitis. Click here for conference site.

BIOMEDICAL HIV PREVENTION SUMMIT, DECEMBER 3-4, 2018, LOS ANGELES, CA

Source: National Minority AIDS Council

The conference brings together HIV leaders from community-based organizations, health departments, and national organizations to discuss, learn, and share biomedical HIV prevention interventions such as pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP), Treatment as Prevention (TasP), and Undetectable=Untransmittable (U=U), among communities of color. Registration deadline: November 2, 2018. Click here to register.