Welcome Back!

RURAL HEALTH WORKSHOP

WELL-AHEAD

LOUISIANA RURAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION
State Office of Rural Health Updates
Moving Forward Together

• Growth of Key Partnerships
• Development of new Rural Health Clinics
• National Rural Health Day is November 19, 2020!
• 2020 Census
• Thank You! We appreciate your service to our communities and support when asked to share information!
COVID-19 Response and Impact

• Technical Assistance and Online Resources

• Funding Distribution Support
  • $4 million to 47 rural hospitals statewide
  • $50,000 to RHCs for laboratory testing purposes

• Funding Reporting Requirements and Support
  • NARHC will be collecting information from RHCs on how grant funds are being expended
  • We will be working with NOSORH to provide technical assistance to RHCs on reporting on funds. **Reminder! COVID-19 Funds must be expended by April 2022**
  • Online Reporting Portal from NOSORH: **Coming soon!**

• Telehealth Integration and Survey Results

[Learn More!](#) Telehealth Learning Day
October 16, 2020
Hospital Support Programs

• Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility Program (FLEX)
  • Critical Access Hospital Quality Initiative Meetings continue
  • Financial assessments and educational opportunities have been identified as concerns

• Small Rural Hospital Improvement Grant Program (SHIP)
  • careLearning subscriptions are continuing
  • Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) designation funding continuing
  • New! LEAN Training healthcare leaders
Emergency Preparedness

• Virtual Training Series continuing
  • Tabletop Exercise and Completing an AAR
    • Tuesday, November 17, 2020
    • 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

• Emergency Supplies
  • 160 Hurricane Emergency Preparedness Kits provided to 160 RHCs
  • 1,000 N95 masks and hundreds of sewn masks to rural providers early in the COVID-19 pandemic

• Emergency Operations Center Activations

Register on www.walpen.org.
Innovative Approaches for Diabetes Care

New! Offer Diabetes Self-Management Education and Support Services and Telehealth

• Partnership opportunity with Lallie Kemp Regional Medical Center for up to five clinics
• Receive hands-on technical assistance for establishing a referral and program delivery process
• Receive financial support to purchase telemedicine equipment

Connect with Denae Hebert to learn more.

Launching January 2021! Project ECHO

• Diabetes ECHO
  • Any provider who cares for patients living with diabetes can join
• Lifestyle ECHO Coach
  • Designed for National Diabetes Prevention Program Lifestyle Coaches

Learn more on walpen.org/project-echo
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