

# RURAL **HEALTH** WORKSHOP

## Welcome Back!



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# 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



# 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  
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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  
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