Need to Know
OPCA Fall All Peer Group Gathering

OPCA is excited to host our Fall All Peer Groups Gathering in-person on September 28th in Portland. A Save The Date has already been sent to reserve the day for you. Registration is required and you can register now.

As we continue to firm up the final agenda, here is an idea of what the day will hold:

- 8:30am Registration & Breakfast
- 9:00am Welcome & Framing of the Day
- 9:30am Plenary Speaker: Leading with Optimism in Challenging Times
- 11:15am Peer Tabletop Discussions
- 1:00pm Joy in Work Activity
- 2:30pm Peer Group Break-Out Discussions
- 4:00pm Close

If you have questions or comments regarding the agenda, please contact OPCA’s Programs Senior Director, Brooke Linn. Questions regarding event logistics can be directed to Malia Turina or Terese Cook.

HRSA Tidbits
Health Center Workforce Well-being Initiative

Workforce burnout can negatively affect quality of care and workforce retention. COVID-19 along with other recent public health crises have made understanding health center workplace factors that affect workforce well-being, satisfaction, and prevent burnout increasingly important. BPHC’s Workforce Well-being Initiative will examine the factors that affect workforce well-being through the guidance of the Health Center Workforce Survey, distribution of evidence-based practices promoting workforce well-being, and targeted technical assistance.

The Health Center Workforce Well-being Initiative includes the following workforce well-being strategies to promote quality of care and facilitate leadership in workforce recruitment and retention.

Health Center Workforce Well-being Initiative – Phase I (2019-2021):

- Creation of the Health Center Workforce Survey
• Cognitive and pilot testing of the Health Center Workforce Survey
• Workforce Well-being Learning Collaborative

Health Center Workforce Well-being Initiative – Phase II (2021 and beyond):

• Administration of the Health Center Workforce Survey to all health center staff across all HRSA supported health centers
• Survey data analysis and reporting
• Dissemination of evidence-based practices to promote workforce well-being
• Targeted technical assistance to health centers based on survey data

If you have questions about the initiative or the survey, please contact the Oregon Health Center Liaison, Shane McBride.

Training & Learning Opportunities

Learning Collaborative: Staff Satisfaction Surveys

In this five-part learning collaborative taking place in September-November, participants will explore best practices for conducting staff satisfaction surveys and responding to survey findings. Addressing any issues or feedback raised in staff satisfaction surveys is one way for health center leadership, human resources, and managers to improve employee engagement and health center operations. Apply by September 8.

Health Care Workforce Committee Seeks Members

The Health Care Workforce Committee (HCWF) is currently recruiting new members who will make a contribution to Oregon’s efforts to expand and diversify the health care workforce in our state. Members are appointed by the Oregon Health Policy Board. We are recruiting for several members who will serve a three year term, plus two members to fill vacancies where the balance of a term will be served. All positions will be eligible for reappointment. The HCWF meets approximately every other month to hear reports, consider current events in the health care sector regarding workforce, and to help establish recommendation to the Oregon Health Policy Board, the Oregon Health Authority, and the Legislature.

The Primary Care Office is accepting nominations to the Committee through the close of business Friday, September 30, 2022. Apply now!