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What's New

HHS Expands Telehealth Access to Combat COVID-19. On Tuesday, the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) announced new measures to allow patients and health care providers greater access to telehealth technologies. See the **Events section below for a webinar from the National Consortium of Telehealth Resource Centers.**

DEA Telehealth Guidance. The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) issued new guidance to allow DEA-registered telehealth practitioners to issue prescriptions for controlled substances to patients for whom they have not conducted an in-person medical evaluation, for the duration of the public health emergency. All of the following conditions must be met: (1) The prescription is issued for a legitimate medical purpose by a practitioner acting in the usual course of his/her professional practice (2) The telemedicine communication is conducted using an audio-visual, real-time, two-way interactive communication system and (3) The practitioner is acting in accordance with applicable Federal and State law.

Rural Response to Coronavirus Disease 2019. The Rural Health Information Hub has created a guide to help you learn about activities underway to address COVID-19.

CDC Updates on the Coronavirus. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides daily updates on the Coronavirus with guidance for health providers and local public health officials. **See the Events section below for a CDC webinar on Coronavirus response in rural communities.**

FAQs for Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Implementation Funding. The deadline for applications for the Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Implementation is April 24. The Health Resources and Services Administration has provided answers to frequently asked questions (FAQs) on eligibility and application requirements (under the tab "Related Documents"). Additionally, you can view a recording of the technical assistance webinar for applicants. For questions beyond those in the link above, email ruralopioidresponse@hrsa.gov.

Funding and Opportunities

Innovations in Accessible Mobility – April 8. The National Aging and Disability Transportation Center invites applications for "ready-to-launch" program innovations that increase accessible transportation options for older adults and people living with disabilities. Grants of up to $30,000 each will be awarded to as many as ten communities for a six-month period.

ACL Grants for Alzheimer's Disease Programs – April 22. The Administration for Community Living (ACL) will make 24 awards with a total investment of more than $19 million. Grants to states and communities will support development and expansion of dementia-capable home and community-based service systems.

Nurse Corps Scholarship Program – April 30. Students accepted or enrolled in nursing degree programs may qualify to receive funding through the Health Resources and Services Administration's Nurse Corps Scholarship Program. In exchange for tuition, fees, and other educational costs,

Department of Treasury Support for Native Community Development – April 21

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ACL Grants for Alzheimer's Disease Programs – April 22

National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Programs – April 23

National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program – April 23

CDC National Center of Excellence for Prevention of Childhood Agricultural Injury – April 24

Rural Communities Opioid Response Program-Implementation – April 24

Comments Requested: DEA Proposes Registration Changes for Mobile Narcotic Treatment Programs – April 27

DOJ Reentry, Education and Employment for Incarcerated Adults – April 27

DOJ Improving Reentry for Adults with Substance Use Disorders – April 27

DOJ Strategies to Support Children Exposed to Violence – April 27

Application Filing Window for FCC Rural Telecommunications and Healthcare Connect Programs – April 30

CDC Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention – April 30

Nurse Corps Scholarship Program – April 30

USDA Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training Grants – April 30

HRSA Telehealth-Focused Rural Health Research Center Program – May 1

Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health Scholarship – May 1

DOJ Support for Children of Addiction-Related Crime – May 4

DOT Helping Obtain Prosperity for Everyone Program – May 4

SAMHSA Tribal Opioid Response Grants – May 4

CDC Research to Prevent Firearm-Related Violence and Injuries – May 5

PCORI Grants for Research Addressing Disparities – May 5

AmeriCorps Grants for Indian Tribes – May 6

NIH: Research for Disparities Among Minority/Underserved Children – May 7

Nominations: HRSA Tribal Advisory Council – May 7

Bureau of Indian Affairs National Tribal Broadband Grant – May 8

USDA Local Food Promotion Program – May 11

USDA Rural Community Development Initiative – May 13

DOJ Adult Drug Court and Veterans Treatment Court Program – May 14

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