

Resources for Maryland Local Health Department STI and Family Planning Programs During COVID Bulletin

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CS Grant Opportunity – Deadline Extended!

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCOH) has extended its **Identifying Promising Practices for Congenital Syphilis Prevention RFA** deadline until **September 21, 2020**. NACCHO will award up to four health departments with up to \$25,000 to implement and evaluate a program strategy that will improve congenital syphilis in their area

Resources & Guidance

New USPSTF Recommendation on Behavioral Interventions to Prevent STIs

On Tuesday, August 18, the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) published a final recommendation statement on behavioral counseling interventions to prevent sexually transmitted infections (STIs). Based on its review of evidence, the USPSTF found that clinicians can help prevent STIs by providing behavioral counseling to all sexually active adolescents and to adults who are at increased risk for STIs. See Recommendation Statement [here](#).

COVID-19 Clinical Call Center, a CDC-IDSA Partnership.

To better serve national COVID-19 response needs, CDC has partnered with the Infectious Disease Society of America (IDSA) to provide direct support to clinicians who have questions about the clinical management of their patients with COVID-19. If you are a healthcare provider or health department with a question about the clinical management of COVID-19, please contact [CDC-INFO](#).

Information for Healthcare Professionals about Coronavirus - CDC's landing page [Information for Healthcare Professionals about Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#) has been updated to organize content for simplified navigation and includes a search function to allow users to more easily find information and resources.

Webinars

Systemic Racism, Disparities and Health: The Impact of COVID-19 on Latino Health

Wednesday, September 23, 2020, 1:00 - 2:00 PM ET
This webinar will highlight effective strategies to address the negative impact that systemic racism, the challenges of immigration, language barriers and other factors have on the health and well-being of Latinos. Experts will share actionable, solutions-based approaches that can make a difference at the state and community level. Presented by The National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM) Foundation.

CDC COCA Calls/Webinars Telehealth & Health Equity: Considerations for Addressing Health Disparities during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Tuesday, September 15, 2020, 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM ET
During this COCA (Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity) Call, presenters will identify long-standing systemic health and social inequities that contribute to COVID-19 health disparities, while highlighting opportunities and limitations of telehealth implementation as an actionable solution. Free Continuing Education.

Articles

Public Knowledge and Attitudes About Sexually Transmitted Infections: KFF Polling and Policy Insights

The Kaiser Family Foundation's poll, conducted in December 2019, provides new data on the public's knowledge and attitudes about STIs.

Previous editions of this bulletin and additional resources can be found [on the CSTIP website](#).

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