



### CHN Weekly Update

Week of February 8th, 2021

#### MEMBER REMINDERS

NAFC Members:

[Annual Data Survey](#)

**DUE:** February 21st by 5PM

#### MEMBER LINKS

[Ohio COVID-Vaccine](#)

[Locator Tool](#)

[\\*FREE\\* COVID Testing Sites](#)

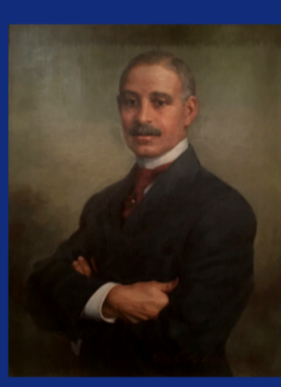
[COVID-19 Resource Page](#)

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#### February Fun Fact no.2:

The first open-heart surgery occurred in 1893. It was performed by Dr. Daniel Hale Williams, who was one of the few Black cardiologists in the United States at the time. Williams graduated from Northwestern Medical School and worked in Chicago, click here for more details!



### Member Resources:

#### \*FREE\* Medical Supplies from Helping Hands

Available items include:

- A rolling magazine rack that measures 4' width x 5' height x 2' length. It is in good shape with two drawers at the bottom.
- 15 boxes of 30 Normal Saline Flush Syringes
- We have 8 boxes of 100 3ml Syringe
- A box of crutches (about 6 sets of adjustable metal crutches)

Please contact [Sarah Gray](#) from Helping Hands Health and Wellness Center for further information.

#### Dentist Loan Repayment Program Applications Open

The Ohio Free Clinic Dentist Loan Repayment Program is accepting applications from volunteer and part-time dentists in Ohio's Free Clinics through July 23, 2021. Volunteer dentists providing at least 40 hours of direct patient care over a 12-month period in Free Clinics and part-time staff dentists working between 8 and 19 hours per week over a 12-week period in Free Clinics are eligible to apply.

More information can be found on the [program's website](#).

Please direct any questions to [Star Sawicki](#) by email or phone at (614) 644-8496.

#### Central Ohio Diabetes Association is Now Accepting Supply Donations

The Central Ohio Diabetes Association (CODA) at LifeCare Alliance is excited to announce the launch of our new Diabetes Supply Donation and Distribution Service.

CODA has compiled a list of eligible products that we can receive and distribute which has been set based on government guidelines (national, state, and local) along with consultation of medical professionals. CODA has worked hard to ensure the process and products of this new service are safe and in line with guidelines provided by the state of Ohio and LifeCare's medical team.

Those interested can donate unopened, unused, sealed, and unexpired diabetic supplies to our organization which will then be provided to community members in need. **We are unfortunately unable to take anything that has a prescription attached to it.** This includes any insulin, any insulin needles, and test strips with prescriptions on them.

To learn more about our program including donation guidelines and processes or for any questions please contact CODA's Outreach Manager Michelle Cecil at [Mcecil@lifecarealliance.org](mailto:Mcecil@lifecarealliance.org) or at (614)-437-2917.

### Important News

#### State Says COVID-19 Deaths Underreported By Thousands

The Department of Health announced Wednesday that state data has missed as many as 4,000 deaths resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic due to "process issues."

These deaths will be added to the state's count during the coming week, the agency reported. As of Wednesday, there were 11,856 virus-related deaths listed on Ohio's [COVID-19 website](#), so the apparent glitch will add to that total considerably.

[Click here](#) to view more.

### Educational Opportunities:

#### From Ethics to Logistics: What Ohio's Leaders Need to Know About COVID-19 Vaccines

**When?** Thursday, February 25th from 11AM-12:30PM EST.

COVID-19 vaccines have the potential to save lives and change the course of the pandemic. State policymakers are confronting a wide range of decisions to ensure the vaccines are effectively deployed in Ohio.

This forum will provide an overview of the national vaccine policy landscape, ethical issues and the current status of vaccine development and distribution.

Discussion topics also include:

- Vaccine tracking data systems
- Distribution logistics
- Equitable access for disadvantaged communities and prioritization of at-risk groups including older adults
- Communications and public education

[Click here](#) to register.

### Monthly COVID-19 Discussion Group:



The Charitable Healthcare Network is hosting a **monthly** virtual discussion group for Ohio's charitable health care organizations. Here we will check-in with one another and share resources/strategies on our approach to handling the pandemic. Meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of each month from 11am-12pm.

**If you wish to participate, please re-register by [clicking here](#).** Registration from last year has not rolled over into the new year.

**11AM, Wednesday February 17th**

CHN staff will be sitting down with COVID-Call participants to field questions about the vaccine, the future of COVID-19 and what clinics can do to help their communities! Come ready to discuss these pressing public health issues and connect with other clinics just like you!

**Would you or someone you know be interested in hosting a discussion?** [Click Here.](#)

[Download, view, or watch meeting recordings here](#)

[Register for our Discussion Group](#)

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