CHARITABLE HEALTHCARE NETWORK

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CHN Weekly Update

Week of February 22nd, 2021



Heart Health Month February Fun Fact no.4:

In 1958 Arne Larsson (pictured **above)** was the first person to receive a pacemaker. He actually lived longer than the surgeon who implanted it. Larsson died at 86 of a disease that was unrelated to his heart!



Black History Month February Fun Fact no.4:

In 1988, Toni Morrison from Lorain, Ohio, won the Pulitzer **Prize** in fiction for her fifth novel Beloved. Click here to view learn more about Toni Morrison!

MEMBER REMINDERS

Medication Access Survey:

DUE: February 24th by 5PM

MEMBER LINKS

ODH COVID Vaccine Weekly Update

Ohio COVID-Vaccine Locator Tool

FREE COVID Testing <u>Sites</u>

COVID-19 Resource Page

Member Resource Page

Grant Opportunities:

COVID-19 Response and Recovery: Telehealth Support for Free and Charitable Clinics

Due: March 4th, 2021

Americares U.S. Program has a new grant funding opportunity available to free and charitable clinics (FCCs) - the COVID-19 Response and Recovery: Telehealth Support for Free and Charitable Clinics (FCC State Associations) seeks to build FCCs' capacity to provide patient care via telehealth to monitor patients and the use of telehealth as a viable means of service delivery beyond the COVID-19 pandemic.

Six (6) FCCs will receive \$15,000-50,000 to support efforts with telehealth implementation, optimal sustainment, or expansion of telehealth services.

The following links are provided to ease your application process:

- <u>Application</u>
- Informational webinar about the grant
- Webinar slide deck
- · Grant overview/proposals for document

Please submit your questions or comments via elee@americares.org or 203-658-9534 or contact the US Program team atusprogram@americares.org or 203.658.9690.

2021 Continuity in Care Grant Provided by BD, Direct Relief, and NAFC

Due: March 4th, 2021.

The main objective of this initiative is to fund new or existing programs that are focused on helping patients with, or at-risk for, diabetes and hypertension through patient education and prevention efforts, medication compliance, and patient engagement.

This initiative is made possible through the generosity of Direct Relief and BD and administered by the National Association of Free and Charitable Clinics (NAFC). This year, free or charitable clinics, charitable pharmacies or state associations who are members in good standing of the NAFC will receive \$25,000 to create or expand innovative programs addressing Diabetes and Hypertension among patient populations.

<u>Click here</u> to apply for this grant program.

Click here to view a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ).

Workforce Development:

Beacon Charitable Pharmacy (Canton), Executive Assistant:

This position is with a dynamic and growing non-profit organization focused on providing access to pharmaceutical services to the underserved. The successful candidate will support Beacon's mission and growth by providing a broad range of professional support services. It requires advanced knowledge of administrative duties and proficiency in computer skills. This individual will work closely with the executive director in supporting grant writing activities and overall office oversight. The individual will also help with coordinating and assisting with the annual fundraiser.

Click here for the full job description.

Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio (Columbus), Pharmacy Techinician:

CPCO is looking for a team player to be part of a mission driven team working to provide excellent care to our patients. The ideal candidate is reliable, hard-working, a good communicator, and desiring to give back to the community. Our Pharmacy Technician must perform all technical functions with efficiency and accuracy. This position is a fulltime position, 32-40 hours per week with benefits including paid holidays and personal time off. Starting pay range is \$12.50 to \$16.00 per hour depending on experience.

Click here for the full job description.

Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio (Columbus), Patient Services **Coordinator:**

This position is a full-time position with both macro and micro level activities. The clinical activities will encompass approximately 60% of the position while 40% of the position involves representing and promoting the pharmacy and its mission collaboratively within the community. This person is a selfstarter, with desire to connect central Ohio residents to resources that improve their health, with an emphasis on access to medications used to manage chronic diseases. This person understands that health is not limited to healthcare alone and desires to connect patients with resources and agencies to meet their other needs (eg. food, transportation, utility assistance, etc.)

Click here for the full job description.

Member Resources:

The Franklin County Office on Aging (FCOA) Caregiver Support Program

The program can assist with a variety of free short-term services that include adult day services,

caregiver counseling, durable medical equipment, health maintenance supplies and in-home respite.

They provide support to:

- Non-paid caregivers (18 years or older) of adults age 60 and older who have a demonstrated need for home care assistance.
- Non-paid parents or relatives 55 years or older caring for an adult child who has disabilities and a demonstrated need for home care assistance.
- Kinship caregivers 55 years and older who are caring full-time for a minor child(ren) and are not the biological parents

To enroll in the Caregiver Support Program and/or to learn more about FCOA's additional older adult services, please call Senior Options at 614-525-6200 Monday-Friday from 9:00am to 4:00pm.

Educational Opportunities:

ODH's COVID Vaccine Virtual Town Halls for At-Risk Populations

As part of Ohio's continuing efforts to ensure equity in Ohio's vaccination program, ODH is holding virtual town hall meetings focused on specific minority communities. These virtual meetings will involve local medical professionals and community leaders who will guide these conversations to discuss the safety and efficacy of the COVID-19 vaccine.

The meetings are intended to jumpstart conversations and give local leaders and attendees the tools they need to better inform members of their communities about vaccine facts, enhance access to trusted resources, and drive conversations in their own communities about why vaccinations are important.

The remaining Town Hall schedule is:

- Monday, March 1, 6:30 p.m. Asian American and Pacific Islander Ohioans
- Tuesday, March 2, 6:30 p.m. Rural Ohioans

Click here for more information and to find the link to watch.

Click here to watch the previous Town Halls that focused on the Africian American and Hispanic/Latino communities.

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

When? Thursday, February 25th, 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. Come ready to discuss these pressing public health issues and connect with other clinics just like you!

Our next meeting will be: Wednesday, March 17th, at 11AM EST

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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