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September

NACCHO CEO Lori Tremmel Freeman on LHD Initiatives During Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

NACCHO offers our deepest gratitude to all local health department staff, community and government partners, advocates, and individuals who are working to prevent suicide. September 1, 2023, marks the start of Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. Throughout this month, NACCHO honors those lost from suicide, acknowledges the profound grief experienced by the families of those whose lives have been lost, and recognizes those working to prevent suicide in their communities. According to the CDC, an estimated 47,000 people are lost to suicide in the United States between 2011 and 2022. Rates of suicide deaths are on the rise, and tragically, they are projected to continue. Provisional data indicate that the trend is continuing with the release of 49,369 suicide deaths. These numbers do not account for non-fatal attempts, those who have experienced suicidal thoughts, those who have seriously considered suicide, or those who have made a plan—which further increases the risk of suffering of many Americans. This devastating increase has placed suicide among the leading causes of death for individuals aged 10-49. To read the complete statement, please click [here](#).

Abstracts Due This Week for the 2024 Preparedness Summit — Submit by September 15

As the challenges faced by our communities grow — with multiple emergencies occurring simultaneously and the impacts of climate change increasing. Now is the time to talk about how public health, emergency management, and healthcare can work to strengthen our communities in support of communities. The theme for the 2024 Preparedness Summit, "Building Resilient Communities," provides an opportunity for sectors to come together, align resources, and explore better ways to work as true partners to meet the challenges of today and tomorrow. Check out our tips on crafting a compelling abstract [here](#).

NACCHO is Excited to Announce a New Community of Practice for Tobacco Control and Prevention

NACCHO is excited to announce a new Community of Practice for Tobacco Control and Prevention. This space is intended for local health departments and other partners to share resources, discuss emerging issues, learn best practices, and virtually connect. Activities include webinars, newsletters, and virtual resource sharing.

If you are interested in being added to our listserv for upcoming events, please fill out the [interest form](#). In addition, the Community of Practice is run by a Steering Committee. If you are interested in serving on the Steering Committee, please send your interest to membership@naccho.org.

September is National Food Safety Education Month

September is National Food Safety Month — [Explore resources](#) from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on topics as improving outbreak investigations, preventing outbreaks, and using the FDA Food Code.

Our Free Toolbox Can Help Your Local Health Department: The Toolbox is a free online collection of public health departments and other stakeholders such as business owners, food operators, and managers to advance their practice or gain skills. [Click here to see which of the nearly 100 resources can help your health department advance its practice.](#)

More About NACCHO's New Membership Benefit, Behavioral Health 360

Local health leaders are at the frontlines of the mental health crisis, and NACCHO's new Behavioral Health 360 program is designed to support you. During last month's National Mental Health Conference, NACCHO was joined by Derek Van Bryunt, CEO of the Minnesota Department of Health, to demonstrate how the new program equips local health departments with essential tools and resources to actively engage in the mental health landscape and overall wellbeing in your community. Using innovative digital platforms, data insights, a community learning, and a shared vision, together we are forging a future where mental health and wellbeing are priorities, leading to healthier, more resilient communities for everyone.

Week to Complete a Brief Survey to Help Improve Newcomer Health Guidance

The Minnesota Center of Excellence in Newcomer Health is seeking input from health care providers and public health officials who care for and support refugee and other newcomer populations nationwide. To ensure quality and equitable care across the country, we need to know the kind of support and education that would be helpful to your practices. **The survey takes 10-15 minutes.** Please consider forwarding this survey to any providers within your network, including those who provide mental health services.

Please complete the survey by September 15, 2023. Please reach out to refugeehealth@state.mn.us with any questions about the survey.

NACCHO and Partner Funding Opportunities

NACCHO serves over 3,000 local health departments and is the leader in providing cutting-edge, skill-building, professional development programs, seeking health equity, and supporting effective local public health practice and systems. We are pleased to offer funding opportunities for local health departments to secure funding for various programmatic areas.

A NACCHO account (free) is required in order to apply to these opportunities. If you have any questions or would like more information about our funding opportunities, please email membership@naccho.org. The latest funding opportunities can be found [here](#).

for Applications: Continuity of Care in Breastfeeding Support

NACCHO and the U.S. Breastfeeding Committee's Continuity of Care Constellation launched the [Continuity of Care in Breastfeeding: A Blueprint for Communities](#). The goal of the CoC Blueprint is to support local-level organizations or individuals working with pregnant and postpartum families to ensure coordinated transitions of care and create supportive environments throughout their breastfeeding journey. With support from the CDC Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity, NACCHO is announcing a funding opportunity to support the implementation of the CoC Blueprint to strengthen community-level breastfeeding support. Applicants are required to apply with at least two key partners to implement strategies from at least three recommended activities in the CoC Blueprint. Applicants can also select additional activities to improve the community's child nutrition security and breastfeeding culture. NACCHO will select up to five local organizations that will each receive an award of up to \$50,000. Applications are due no later than October 1, 2023, at 11:59 PM PST. Selected grantees will be announced by October 13, 2023. All information regarding the project and application process may be found [here](#). For a direct link to an application, click [here](#) or read our latest blog [post](#) for more information.

Community Engagement to Strengthen Local Health Department Approaches to Decreasing Syphilis Co-

NACCHO is interested in working directly with your community members to create a community-informed and tailored plan to address syphilis. NACCHO has partnered with the CDC's Division of STD Prevention to provide a funding opportunity for local health departments to engage in community-based efforts to reduce syphilis rates.

ents that supports that type of approach. Through this funding opportunity, up to 5 health departments (not already receiving funding) will receive funding to implement a community engagement process that contributes to a plan aimed at addressing the burden in their communities. Prospective applicants can find the details of the RFA [here](#) and the deadline to submit applications is September 29, 2023. Applications should be submitted via email to sti@naccho.org. If applicants have any questions, feel free to reach out to Daisha Washington, STI Program Analyst, at dwashington@naccho.org.

Year 2 of the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program

The Department of Homeland Security has announced the availability of \$374.9 million in grant funding for the Fiscal Year 2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP). Now in its second year, the SLCGP is a first-of-its-kind cybersecurity grant program specifically for state, local, and territorial (SLT) governments across the country to help them strengthen their cybersecurity. SLCGP provides \$1 billion in funding over four years to support SLT governments as they develop capabilities to detect, prevent, and respond to cyber threats. [Learn more and apply here.](#)

Infectious Disease Outbreaks: Enhancing LHD Forecasting and Analytics Capabilities

NACCHO has announced an [RFA](#) for funding to strengthen LHDs' capacity to integrate forecasting and analytical tools into outbreak planning and response at the local level. The project will involve implementing tools and methodologies to proactively predict and analyze disease outbreaks, thereby improving public health response and mitigating the impact of these diseases. Applications are due September 8, 2023, 11:59 PM ET. [Learn more.](#)

NACCHO Members Receive Exclusive Access to Various Grants to Finance Participation in Behavioral Health Initiatives

[Click here to learn more and begin the application process.](#)

Upcoming Webinars for NACCHO Members

Webinar Spotlight:

National Preparedness Month — Disability and Access and Functional Needs Webinar Series

September 19 | 2:00 PM ET

NACCHO is partnering with World Institute on Disability as we celebrate National Preparedness Month with a focus on supporting people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs. This two-part webinar series provides toolkits and recommendations for local health departments to offer disability inclusive emergency and disaster preparedness and response.

[Click here to learn more and register here.](#)

Preparing for the Upcoming Respiratory Virus Season: Recommendations for Influenza, COVID-19, and RSV Vaccines for Older Adults

September 19 | 2:00 PM ET

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Culturally Driven Strategies:

Tailoring Health Communications to Build Understanding

September 21 | 1:00 PM ET

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Pain in the Nation 2023: The Epidemics of Alcohol, Drug, and Suicide Deaths

September 26 | 2:00 PM ET

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Career Opportunities

NACCHO is pleased to share the following career opportunities for public health professionals.

Visit the [NACCHO Career Center](#), where job seekers can browse hundreds of vacant positions and employers can recruit.

also offers [Fellowship Programs](#) for students to gain experience in public health and [Mentorship Programs](#) with the chance to learn and share resources across local health departments.

NACCHO is Recruiting Two Graduate Students to Join the 2023-2024 Health and Disability Fellowship Program
The program offers an invaluable workforce development opportunity for graduate students seeking hands-on experience in the disability field. The fellows will work with and receive guidance from NACCHO's Health and Disability team. Fellows will be involved in promoting the health of people with disabilities through inclusive programming, products, and services. This paid position (\$25/hour) is slated to start in October 2023 and run through July 31, 2024. Applications will be reviewed through November 15, 2023. Please contact [Uyen Tran](#) with any questions. [Learn more and apply here.](#)

NACCHO is Hiring a Director of Immunization
The Director of Immunization Program aims to strengthen local health departments' immunization infrastructure and capacity to implement evidence-based public health programs, policies, and services to meet national standards in preventing and controlling vaccine-preventable diseases. Specific program efforts include strengthening local health department capacity, infrastructure, and resources; developing strategies for addressing vaccine hesitancy, improving vaccine confidence, and increasing vaccine uptake. The Director will be responsible for organizing and managing significant functions or programs of NACCHO, including the supervision of professional and support staff. The Director is responsible for the effective day-to-day operations and outcomes of the unit, developing and implementing initiatives to support the unit's strategic direction, and overseeing unit resources (fiscal and human), in collaboration with the President or Director or Senior Advisor. [Learn more and apply here.](#)

NACCHO is Hiring a Senior Director for Our Infectious Disease and Informatics Team
The Senior Director is expected to integrate complex activities within their portfolio and across the organization. He/she will oversee the design and implementation of programs to achieve the unit's strategic goals and is accountable for overall management of the unit, including financials, and unit deliverables; generates revenue and relationships with key stakeholders; and making recommendations for improving operational effectiveness of unit and program(s). As a leader and manager of employees, the Senior Director will be responsible for planning, organizing and managing a unit or functional area, typically comprised of professional and support staff. [Learn more and apply here.](#)

ED-Based Substance Use Navigation- Advancing the Evidence
NACCHO is seeking a consultant(s) to evaluate an Emergency Department based program(s) to provide linkages, services, and supports to patients. Applicants must propose to evaluate a clearly defined program(s) with established protocols, workflows, and roles related to the program. Applicants must have ownership or confirmed access to program level data and the experience/capacity to conduct a robust evaluation. The consultant(s) will work with NACCHO to:
- Design, implement, and analyze an evaluation of an ED-based program(s).
- Develop and submit an academic journal article on the evaluation results.
- Develop a summary communication document of evaluation results.
For application requirements and full details of the project in the [Request for Proposals](#). Proposals should be submitted as a PDF to the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) by email to IVP@naccho.org with the subject line 2023 ED Evaluation Application by November 20, 2023, at 11:59 PM EST. Please share the RFP with your colleagues and networks who may be interested in the opportunity. Contact membership@naccho.org with any questions.

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