

# Primary Health Care Digest

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## Program Funding

- **HRSA's 340b Drug Pricing Program Recertification** – HRSA requires all 340b covered entities to annually recertify their program information in order to continue participation in the 340b Program. Recertification is open through **March 11, 2015**.

It is critical that health centers recertify before the deadline in order to continue participating in the 340b Program.

[Recertify your health center's 340b information.](#)

[View 340b Program resources.](#)

[Contact the 340b Prime Vendor Program](#) with any questions on the recertification process.

[View all HRSA open grant opportunities.](#)

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## What's New

- **Accreditation and Patient Centered Medical Home Recognition Initiative Program Assistance Letter (PAL) 2015-02** – BPHC released [PAL 2015-02](#) which describes the Accreditation and Patient Centered Medical Home Recognition Initiative, and outlines the process and requirements for applying for ambulatory health care accreditation and/or patient centered medical home (PCMH) recognition in 2015.

[View more information on PAL 2015-02.](#)

- **Million Hearts Recognizes 2014 Hypertension Control Champions** – HHS' [Million Hearts Initiative](#) recognized 30 health care practices and systems, including eight Federally Qualified Health Centers, as Hypertension Control Champions in 2014 for their success in helping patients control high blood pressure. These Champion health care systems achieved blood pressure control for at least 70% of their patients with hypertension.

[View information about the Hypertension Control Challenge and the 2014 Champions.](#)

- **The Fight against Measles Starts with Vaccination** – The elimination of measles in the United States in 2000 is one of public health's most celebrated success stories. But as recent outbreaks have revealed, there is still reason to be concerned about measles. While most people in this country

## Upcoming TA and Training Sessions

- **Reminder: Practical Steps to Address Interprofessional Education and Collaborative Practice Implementation (IPECP) Webinar - Thursday, February 26, 2015, 10:00am – 11:00am, CT.** HRSA and the National Center for Interprofessional Practice and Education are hosting this webinar to showcase how resources can be used to support IPECP transformation. The webinar will present the challenges and rewards of a HRSA-funded project to transform clinical practice into an interprofessional model at Loyola University Chicago.

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[View the webinar the day of the session.](#) Connect to the audio line using 1-888-469-2151; Participant Code: 4463737.

- **Integrating Behavioral Health in Rural Primary Care Webinar – Thursday, February 26, 2015, 2:00pm – 3:30pm, ET.** This webinar will provide an overview of integration models used in rural settings, planning best practices, financing considerations, and implementation strategies for primary care and behavioral health providers.

[View more information and register for the webinar.](#)

- **Head Start Partnership Models Webinar – Tuesday, March 3, 2015, 2:00pm – 3:00pm, ET.** BPHC is hosting this webinar, the first in a four-part Migrant Health Program series, to highlight successful partnerships with Migrant Head Start Programs and their impact on improving access and quality health care.

[View the webinar the day of the session.](#) Connect to the audio line using 1-888-989-3416; Participant Code:

are protected against measles through vaccination, the current outbreak highlights the [importance of vaccination](#).

[View information about measles and vaccination.](#)

- **National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center** – The purpose of the [National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center \(OHRC\)](#) is to respond to the needs of states and communities in addressing current and emerging public oral health issues. OHRC collaborates with stakeholders to gather, develop, and share high-quality and valued information and materials to improve oral health services for infants, children, adolescents, and their families.  
  
[Use OHRC's resources to promote maternal and child oral health in your community.](#)
- **Medical-Legal Partnership and Health Centers Issue Brief** – The [National Center for Medical-Legal Partnership](#) has developed an issue brief to help health centers understand the benefits of partnerships with civil legal aid agencies, and to introduce resources that can help health centers implement medical-legal partnerships.

[View the medical-legal issue brief.](#)

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- **Accreditation and PCMH Recognition Initiative Webinar - Thursday, March 5, 2015, 10:30am – 12:00pm, ET and 1:30pm – 3:00pm, ET.** BPHC is hosting this webinar to discuss [PAL 2015-02 "Accreditation and PCMH Recognition Initiative"](#) (outlined in the "What's New" section of the Digest) and the new notice of intent process. This is an important session for health centers interested in receiving HRSA support in pursuit of national quality recognition.

[View the webcast the day of the session.](#) Connect to the audio line using 1-888-790-3418; Participant passcode: 9569850.

- **Save the Date: Aligning Forces for Quality Webinar – Wednesday, March 25, 2015, 1:00pm – 2:00pm, ET.** The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is hosting this webinar to highlight the [Aligning Forces for Quality Patient Engagement Toolkit](#) for health care organizations interested in establishing provider-patient partnerships to improve care.

[View more information and register for the webinar.](#)

[View all BPHC technical assistance resources.](#)

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