

A Message from Farmworker Health Network (FHN)

The **Farmworker Health Network (FHN)** stands with everyone impacted by the Coronavirus (COVID-19), especially health providers and patients from special and vulnerable populations. In a consolidated effort to bring to you the latest updates, the FHN will be sending out this biweekly email with resources and information to keep you informed and assist you in continuing to serve your patient population. Information related to this pandemic changes daily, so we also encourage you to visit the CDC's website for additional updates that may impact your specific service areas.

Resources





We at Migrant Clinicians Network have a dual priority to support clinicians and the vulnerable patients that they serve. MCN is presently developing strategies and resources to support clinicians as they reach out to communities that are often overlooked and give care to patients who might otherwise have nowhere to go. We

remain highly concerned for the vulnerable populations that already encounter numerous barriers to health and to care.

Recommendations are changing every day. As new data are gathered and research is carried out, our understanding of COVID-19, how it works, and how it spreads is refined. Necessarily, our recommendations must adjust. Please continue to review recommendations from the CDC and adjust strategies accordingly.

Always presume that the virus is present. Our understanding of its spread remains limited. Asymptomatic individuals may be unwittingly spreading the virus. In the absence of extensive testing and given our early understanding of the disease, take full precautions as if COVID-19 is present.

To keep up to date, please subscribe to MCN's blog:

https://www.migrantclinician.org/community/blog.html You can also follow MCN on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/migrantclinician) or Twitter (https://twitter.com/tweetmcn).

Explore additional COVID-19 and mobile population specific resources:

(https://www.migrantclinician.org/COVID-19-and-mobile-patients)



Community Health Workers and COVID-19 Bilingual Resource by MHP Salud

Community Health Workers (CHWs) have a unique understanding and trusting relationship with the community they serve. They are a bridge between health and social services and the community by facilitating the access to services and improving the quality and cultural competence of service delivery (APHA, 2020). Therefore, they are uniquely equipped to help the community cope with the challenges faced due to COVID-19. This bilingual resource provides an insight of CHWs and their unique response to COVID-19. To download please visit here.

Upcoming Events



COVID-19 Webinar Series:

Resource Sharing & Discussion with the Frontline

April 8th Part 1: Outreach Strategies during a pandemic to Increase 1:30-2:30 CT Access to Care for Ag Workers April 15th Part 2: Developing Relationships in Agricultural Industry for 1:30-2:30 CT **Enhanced Education, Communication, and Increase Access** April 22nd Part 3: Addressing Social Determinants of Health and 1:30-2:30 CT linkages to available resources Part 4: Effective Diabetes Prevention & Management during April 29th 1:30-2:30 CT **Emergency Situations**

NCFH is excited to launch this webinar series for resource sharing and discussions with healthcare providers and staff. Webinar participants will have an opportunity to share ideas and strategies with peers on the front line and identify promising practices to help them stay safe and continue providing effective patient care.

Click Here to Register

The State of Farmworkers in the COVID-19 Era



Farmworker Justice is hosting a series of conversations focused on farmworkers and COVID-19 with farmworker advocates and leaders. The conversations, which take place during the weeks of April 20th and 27th, will be posted daily on Farmworker Justice's Facebook page.





Manejo del Estrés Durante Tiempos Inciertos: La "Esperanza Razonable" Como Herramienta Para Proveedores de Salud y Trabajadores Esenciales en Puerto Rico Durante Emergencias De Salud Pública

Stress Management During Uncertain Times: "Reasonable Hope" as a Tool for Health Providers and Essential Workers in Puerto Rico During Public Health Emergencies

This webinar is presented in Spanish only. Este seminario web se presentará solo en Español.

Este seminario virtual busca proporcionar un entendimiento general del estrés empático, daño o lesiones morales, así como estrategias para enfrentarles. En base al modelo de Kaethe Weingarten, PhD, se analizará la situación actual y el impacto que tiene en la salud emocional de las personas. Para luego describir y analizar las fuentes de resiliencia y la llamada "esperanza razonable" como una herramienta para los trabajadores esenciales en Puerto Rico.

* Este seminario web está programado para 1.5 horas.

Miércoles, 29 de Abril de 2020 12:00 pm PST | 3:00 pm EST y AST

Registrese aqui para el seminario

Policy Updates



Under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, employers are required to provide up to two weeks of paid sick leave to employees if they are quarantined or become ill due to COVID-19. All employees who work for eligible employers, including farmworkers are covered under this Act. An eligible employer is any employer with less than 500 employees. Small employers with under 50 employees may also qualify for an exemption. The sick leave provision is currently in effect and will be available until December 31, 2020. More information about the paid sick leave provisions can be found on the U.S. Department of Labor's Wage and Hour Division website.

Update courtesy of Farmworker Justice



Several states issued guidance through their state agencies regarding COVID-19 and agricultural workers. This guidance provides employers information about procedures for housing, working conditions, training of workers, and sanitation. Some of the states that issued guidance include North Carolina, Washington, and California. Consult your state's department of agriculture, department of health, or department of labor for any published guidance for agricultural employers.

Update courtesy of Farmworker Justice

The FHN is committed to continuously serving our constituents, health providers, and patients across the country. We stand with you in solidarity during this difficult time!













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