MONTHLY UPDATE August, 2022

**Dear All**

1. **Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan grants**

Congratulations to the 47 clinics that received a grant this year! Nice work!

1. **Updated Region Meetings Calenda**r

I have sent out the region meetings date calendar and times to 4 of the 5 regions

 **The Southwest and Southeast Regions** **meet every second Tuesday. Southwest 10:30-11:30, Southeast 1-2pm**

**The North and Mideast meet every third Tuesday.**

**Mideast 10:30-11:30, North 1-2pm**

The Midwest Region as I have said before, meet about quarterly and have done so for quite a few years.

If you have not gotten the Calendar email, please let me know, I will send it.

1. **Member Clinics Notice**

The following 8 clinics have not sent their 2021 clinic data to FCOM:

U of M Student Run Free Clinic, MAPI Clinic, Genessee County, Presbyterian Health Clinic, The 2 Luke Clinics, C-Asist, Shiawassee Free Clinic.

 The **Clinic Data Survey form** is available from Jeff Compagner. It is in a Constant Contact survey form format. IF YOU DID NOT RECEIVE THAT EMAIL or indeed did sent it, CONTACT JEFF AT JCOMPAGNER@HFHCLINIC.ORG.

1. **JEDI document**

This is a comprehensive report/checklist making diversity, inclusiveness, cultural awareness very easy to understand with not unreasonable strategies easy to adapt to your clinic. The Colorado group put this together. Since grantors and foundations are now looking specifically for the update/work you are doing around these issues, this document may be quite helpful. The document is available on FCOM’s website: [www.fcomi.org](http://www.fcomi.org). I have also attached it to this email.

1. **Legislative Issues**

**House Bill 4346** – **Insulin Co-Pay Cap**

**House bill 5966** – **Establishment of a universal and unified health care system to reform the current payment system for healthcare coverage**

 **House bill 6112** – **Legislature to form a committee to review going from a federally based health insurance exchange to a state based insurance exchange**

 There are very few committee meetings until after the Nov. 8th election. No current report.

If you see any or hear of any legislation introduced in Michigan you feel impacts our patients or out clinics, please let me know. I will certainly investigate the bill’s language and talk to the representatives and senators that introduced this bill.

1. **Monkey Pox Vaccines**

The virus is real as you know and known cases are still increasing. Contact your local or county health department for updated information for vaccine and current infection information.

1. **Fall Conferences**

**Blue Cross Blue Shield Safety Net Conference in person**  **October 13 at the Crown Plaza in Lansing.** The registration is not yet open for this yet.

The FCOM Board will hold their Fall meeting immediately at the conference. It will be in person and virtual.

**NAFC Symposium Oct. 24/25 both virtual and in person**. Indianapolis, Indiana. Go to their website for registration/hotel information.

**We are hosting a cocktail hour in Indianapolis on Monday, Oct**. **24** for all Michigan attendees! I will have reminder signs up at the hotel.

Stay safe, stay well.



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