



SCN Users Group

Ten Sentinel Center representatives joined MPHI and HRSA-BPHC staff on Wednesday, June 7th, to discuss the individual report template. Each Center will be receiving an individual report of the data they submitted. In the fall, a matching aggregate report will be distributed that will enable all Centers to compare their data to the SCN aggregate. Overall, the group expressed satisfaction with the report template. The group identified some excellent changes that will make the report more useful. SCN staff are taking all of the suggestions made during the conference call into consideration. We thank those who participated in the call for their time.

Announcements

SCN STAFF VISITED GALVESTON COUNTY COORDINATED COMMUNITY CLINICS - LAMARQUE, TX

SCN Staff members Josh Adams and Ray Kalush traveled to southeast Texas to meet with Galveston County Coordinated Community Clinics (GCCCC) staff at the Galveston County Health District office in LaMarque on June 13. All under one roof, the health district consists of a health clinic, ambulance service, dental clinic, a day-care center, and even a veterinarian clinic. GCCCC is part of the health district and operates two clinic locations, one in Texas City and one in Galveston Island. To learn more about them, please visit their website at www.gchd.org/4cs/index.htm.

GCCCC maintains BCA software that runs on an AS400 computer and recently switched to optical cable networking. Between remodeling, rewiring and security, their IT department

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is kept hopping! The site visit provided an opportunity for the GCCCC staff to gather together and discuss ways to improve the quality of the data and methods of submission. The SCN staff would like to thank the GCCCC staff for welcoming us to their center! Site visits will continue to be arranged to all centers, with up to six taking place each year.

WELCOME BETH VIRNIG

Beth Virnig, Associate Professor in Health Services Research & Policy at the University of Minnesota, has joined the SCN in the role of a consultant. She will assist in developing the SCN reports in more detail and identifying opportunities to measure the quality of care within the SCN.

Data Status

PROVIDER DATA NEEDED FOR REPORT PRODUCTION!

It is imperative to have a complete set of provider data from each center. If you have not already done so, please submit your provider data now or contact one of the SCN staff members to discuss your data.

DATA SUBMISSION STATUS

Great progress has been made thanks to the efforts of the centers. For 2004, we have received user and encounter data from 35 centers, and provider data from 29 centers. We have received full year 2005 user and encounter data from 34 centers, and provider data from 25 centers.

DATA SUMMARY REMINDER

Please watch for an email, subject line *SCN 2004 (2005) Data Summary*, that will include a Completeness Profile of your center's data in Excel format. Please review the file when you receive it to ensure data were received and interpreted as intended. If a discrepancy is identified, please contact Cheribeth Tan-Schriner.

INVOICES

To avoid a delay in payment, invoices must be received by **August 15, 2006**. If you have submitted all of your 2004 or 2005 data, please send your invoice referencing SCN Project Number C-38807-18 to Lynn Breer; Michigan Public Health Institute; 2440 Woodlake Circle, Suite 100; Okemos, MI 48864.

From the Centers

Centers are invited to use the newsletter as an opportunity to share information about special activities or unique programs with fellow SCN Network participants. Do you have questions or suggestions to share? Please send your questions or a brief description of your suggestions/activities/programs for future newsletters to SCN@mphi.org.

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