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CDPHP Staffing Updates

- Rebecca Clark has joined CDPHP as the Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Coordinator.
- Vacancies currently include the Cancer Unit Business Process Analyst I, 1815 Coordinator (contract position), 1817 Coordinator (contract position), Chronic Disease Program Prevention Evaluator (contract position), Policy, Systems, & Environmental Change Unit Manager, Tobacco Cessation Coordinator, Tobacco Prevention Coordinator (contract position), Population Health Services Manager, Women's Health Connection Coordinator, and Administrative Assistant III.

Section Updates

- CDPHP was one of sixteen entities awarded CDC-RFA-20-2004 Building Our Largest Dementia (BOLD) Infrastructure for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias. This program began October 1, 2020 and will be included in subsequent updates.
- CDPHP also began implementation of the WISEWOMAN program October 1, 2020.
- Staff continue to lend internal and external partners support concerning COVID response efforts.

Diabetes Prevention and Control Program (DPCP)

- The Diabetes Prevention and Control Program together with Nevada Business Group on Health and the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors, launched a Market Assessment to Nevada Employers to better understand awareness, interest, and recent action related to coverage of the National Diabetes Prevention Program lifestyle change program.
- The Diabetes Prevention and Control Program and the Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program hosted the first annual Kick-off Meeting with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and all 1815 and 1817 funded partners. This platform was used to review the goals, expectations, and strategies set forth in program year three.
- Diabetes Prevention Programs and Diabetes Self-Management Education Support Programs are currently conducted via telehealth, due to COVID-19.

Heart Disease & Stroke Prevention Program (HDSP)

- Funding for DP18-1817 cooperative agreement in SFY 21 was awarded through the continuation Grant for the Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention efforts.
- The HDSP will continue to collaborate with key partners (Nevada Health Centers, Southern Nevada Health District, Northern Nevada HOPES, Access to Healthcare Network, Renown Health System, and SCA at UNR) through the DP18-1815 and the DP18-1817 cooperative agreement to prevent and manage Heart Disease and Stroke.
- Due to COVID-19, all in-person Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention activities are being conducted through telehealth.

Obesity Prevention and Control Program (OPCP)

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- The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Early Care and Education (ECE) Factsheets were developed in close collaboration with the Nevada Department of Agriculture. The CACFP ECE Factsheets were designed to address barriers identified in the 2018 CACFP ECE Gap Analysis and will be piloted to ECE centers statewide in next fiscal year (FY) 2020-21.
- COVID-19 has impacted Obesity Prevention and Control Program (OPCP) partners' outreach, education, and programming. The OPCP works with partners to align strategies and overcome COVID-19-related barriers for activities in FY2020-21. Despite barriers, the Early Childhood Obesity Prevention Steering Committee continues to meet virtually working to update the committee's guiding plan, the Nevada Early Childhood Obesity Prevention Plan for another five (5) years.

Women's Health Connection (WHC)

- The following data accounts for state general funds appropriated for screenings services (\$500,000 per biennium) expended through June 2020:
 - 1,738 women screened
 - 9 clinical breast exams
 - 6 abnormal results
 - 1,762 mammograms
 - 283 abnormal results
 - 21 breast cancer cases, including:
 - 6 cases diagnosed Ductal Carcinoma in Situ, and
 - 15 cases of invasive breast cancer
 - Referrals to treatment
 - 14 of the patients diagnosed with breast cancer were successfully referred to Nevada Medicaid
- WHC continues to work with Nevada Health Centers, Northern Nevada HOPES, Hope Christian Health Center, Lutheran Social Services of Southern Nevada, and Volunteers in Medicine of Southern Nevada to implement health system changes and community clinical linkages to increase breast and cervical cancer screening services statewide.
- WHC has also initiated Environmental Approach Strategies with the Nevada Cancer Coalition to increase breast and cervical cancer screenings statewide.
- WHC continues to work with Access to Healthcare Network (AHN) to support uninsured and underinsured women living at or below 250% of the Federal Poverty Level, receive funding and care coordination for breast and cervical cancer screening and diagnostic services.
- During FY 20, 8,491 women received breast or cervical cancer screening services through federal funds granted through the continuation of grant DP17-1701. Services received include:
 - 5,288 Clinical Breast Exams
 - 2,281 Mammograms
 - 4,571 Pap Tests
 - 244 cases of breast or cervical cancer confirmed
 - 11 cases of ductal carcinoma in situ
 - 38 cases of invasive breast cancer
 - 195 cases of cervical cancer or premalignant cervical lesions

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- Women’s Health Connection is continuing to collaborate with the Comprehensive Cancer Control Program and the Nevada Central Cancer Registry develop a new five-year statewide Cancer Control Plan.
- The COVID-19 Pandemic greatly impacted WHCs screening numbers for both state and federal funds. While screenings never ceased all together, numbers for March-July 2020 are significantly decreased compared to the same time period in 2019. Accordingly, WHC did not reach screening goals for SFY20 nor spend down all direct service dollars. This is a trend seen throughout the country and should be remembered when interpreting these end of year results.

Nevada Comprehensive Cancer Control Program (NCCCP)

- 17-1701 Cancer Grant FFR and NCCCP annual reports submitted.
- NCCCP is supporting a pilot project contracted with NCC and ICF through CDC known as *Improving the Health and Wellness of Cancer Survivors in Rural Communities*. The project’s focus aligns well to enhance NCC’s Thrive Nevada, patient navigation program and help tele mentoring strategies, (through Project ECHO,) to increase coordination, communication and knowledge between specialists and primary care providers for cancer survivorship. Although there have been unexpected limitations during the COVID-19 pandemic, NCC engages rural providers and FQHCs through the development of educational Project ECHO webinars. Access to survivorship resources are expected to expand as Thrive Nevada’s tele navigation service develops further.
- The Early Detection Task Force included efforts on colorectal cancer screening strategies given the termination in funding for CRC screening and concerns of many partner organizations; the first workgroup meeting was held in September and will continue collaborations to help improve health systems and clinics increase CRC screening rates.
- As previously reported, COVID-19 Response has delayed the development of the 2021-2026 Nevada Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan, now slated for release in April 2021 at the Nevada Cancer Control Summit. The NCCCP continues to work closely with NCC to capture input from stakeholders, including providers and key leaders from the community and health organizations. The objectives and activities for prevention, early detection and screening, and cancer survivorship are prioritized to address cancer control needs in Nevada.

Tobacco Control Program (TCP)

- The new cooperative agreement with CDC emphasizes working with behavioral health populations. The TCP has identified behavioral, mental health and substance abuse facilities for partners to work with on developing and implementing smoke-free policies as well as improving systems to refer tobacco-users to quitline services.
- Through funding allocated by Senate Bill 263, and in collaboration with Nevada Cancer Coalition and the Nevada Tobacco Prevention Coalition, two media campaigns are being developed to prevent initiation of vaping products among youth and young adults. The first campaign, which is youth-focused, is being launched this month. For more information please visit: behindthehazenv.com.
- Park MGM in Las Vegas announced a smoke-free policy as part of COVID-19 precautions. As this has drawn statewide and national attention, partners plan on reaching out to other casinos to provide technical assistance to explore any opportunities for other casinos to implement smoke-free policies.

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- Call volumes to the quitline have been impacted during the Coronavirus pandemic and there have been less calls to the Nevada Tobacco quitline than anticipated. Planned events and outreach activities targeting youth have been impacted as well. Events to reach youth are either now virtual or have been cancelled and replaced with efforts to reach youth more through social media.

Office of Food Security

- At the July 30th Council on Food Security (CFS) meeting, statewide food security partners shared COVID-19 response efforts and barriers. The CFS is scheduled to meet again on October 6th and will continue to work to identify and assess lessons learned and innovative strategies for addressing food insecurity in Nevada amid the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The OFS is working with Nutrition Unit leadership to develop a series of reports on food insecurity post-COVID-19. The series is being developed to compliment recent reports identifying Nevada as one of the states with the highest projected food insecurity for 2020 compared to 2018. The first of the series has been finalized and will be shared with CWCD partners once made public. The next report in the series focuses on the impact of COVID-19 on senior hunger. This report will be released in early November 2020.