



UNITED HOMELESS HEALTHCARE PARTNERS

September 2010 NEWSLETTER

Los Angeles & UHHP are pleased to host the 6th Annual

International Street Medicine Symposium

Kyoto Grand Hotel & Gardens, Los Angeles

October 20 - 23rd, 2010

The symposium will begin on Wednesday, Oct. 20th at 1:00 p.m. and end Saturday, Oct. 23rd at 11:00 a.m. On Thursday, October 21st, there will be site visits to providers in Skid Row as well as Santa Monica. Please visit the website below for complete information and registration.

Leaders and healthcare providers from homeless services agencies are encouraged to attend this symposium.

Workshop Program

Wednesday, October 20: Kyoto Ballroom: Jim Withers, M.D.

(1:00 pm) Opening Remarks

(1:15 pm) Haiti Health Care: Before and After the Earthquake: Susan Partovi, M.D.

(2:00 pm) The Vulnerability Index: Becky Kanis & Julie DeRose

(3:30 pm) Break

(3:45 pm) Street Medicine Institute Report: Rev. Micheal Elliott

(4:00 pm) Denmark Health Team,

Diagnosis & Treatment of ADHD & the Homeless,

Street-based Alcohol Treatment: Henrik Thiesen, M.D.; Nurses Bodil Stavod & Lene Tanderup

(6:00 pm) Reflection & Closing: Jack O'Handley, M.D.

(8:00 pm) Welcoming Reception: Kyoto Pangea Garden Area

Thursday, October 21: Kyoto Ballroom: Linda Sheets

(7:30 am) Continental Breakfast

(8:00 am) Field Day Instructions

(8:30 am) LA Landscape of the Homeless Population: Michael Arnold & Susan Partovi, M.D.

(9:00 am) Welcoming Address: Zev Yaroslavsky, County Supervisor

(9:30 am) Skid Row Field Experience

(noon) Lunch (on your own)

(1:00 pm) Bell & Santa Monica Field Experience: Depart from Hotel Lobby

(4:00 pm) De-briefing Discussion (Santa Monica)

(5:00 pm) First Departure to Kyoto Hotel

(9:00 pm) Second Departure to Kyoto Hotel

Friday, October 22: Kyoto Ballroom: David Deci, M.D.

(7:30 am) Continental Breakfast & Art Display

(8:00 am) Lillian Gelberg, M.D., M.S.P.H.

(9:00 am) The HEALTH Program: Barb Simons, R.N.

(9:45 am) Break

(10:00 am) Taking Psychiatry to the Streets: Liz Frye, M.D.

(10:30 am) Psychiatric Diagnosis of Homeless Persons: Challenges and Strategies: Eileen C. Reilly, M.D.

(11:00 am) Developing a Comprehensive Web-based Curriculum in Homeless Health Care for Medical Learners: Patrick Perri, M.D.

(11:30 am) Lunch: Ballroom Two

(12:30 pm) Group Discussion I: Refining Street Medicine: Jim O'Connell, M.D.

(1:30 pm) Group Discussion II: Government Funding: Joe Gookin

(2:30 pm) Break

(2:45 pm) Following the Street Patient: Challenges & Solutions to Follow-up Care - SMI Fellowship: Emma Lo, B.A.

(3:15 pm) University of Minnesota ISTOP: Allison Berger, B.A.

(3:45 pm) MUSHROOM, Morgantown WV: Steven Auciello, B.A.

(4:15 pm) Reflection & Closing: Jack O'Handley, M.D.

(4:30 pm) Adjournment

Registration Information

Registration to attend the symposium is at no charge due to the generous support from Glaxo Smith Kline, Catholic Health East, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. For more information and to register, please visit the following website:

<http://www.streetmedicine.org/>

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USIAC Releases Strategic Plan

The U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness released its strategic plan recently and termed it "the most far-reaching and ambitious plan to end homelessness in our history." The goals and timeframes underscore just how ambitious this approach is:

- (1) Finish the job of ending chronic homelessness in five years;
- (2) Prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in five years
- (3) Prevent and end homelessness for families, youth, and children in ten years; and
- (4) Set a path to ending all types of homelessness

Look for UHHP's 2011 - 2012 goals to align with these themes from the USIAC plan:

- (1) Increase leadership, Collaboration, and Civic Engagement
- (2) Increase Access to Stable and Affordable Housing
- (3) Increase Economic Security
- (4) Improve Health & Stability
- (5) Retool the Homeless Crises Response System

The plan is titled *Opening Doors: Federal Strategic Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness* and can be found at http://www.ich.gov/PDF/OpeningDoors_2010_FSPPreventEndHomeless.pdf

HUD Funding Formula

Formula Campaign - Exciting Updates!

The UHHP Policy Committee has joined with United Way of Greater Los Angeles to tackle the HUD funding formula used to distribute funds for housing homeless residents throughout the U.S. The current HUD formula for homeless housing programs results in distributing funds throughout the country in ways that do not correspond to homelessness. This practice results in the underfunding of many of the regions with the highest rates of homelessness, including Los Angeles. We have not, in recent memory, had the opportunity to address this.

1. We will place your events on the UHHP website calendar page. We also offer predominant space on the UHHP website home page to advertise your event - first come, first serviced, as space is available.

2. We offer a link to your organization's website.

Please email your information to us at: uhhpla@yahoo.com

Job Opportunities
Within Our Member
Organizations

Internal Medicine
Physician,
Northeast Valley Health
Corporation, North
Hollywood, CA

NEVHC is a mission-driven Innovative, Joint Commission-accredited community health center organization that seeks a board certified general internist to work at our Homeless Health Center. The health center is located in a shelter. Internal Medicine Physicians who work for us have opportunities for professional growth through teaching, administrative leadership and participation in multi-disciplinary teams dedicated to practice improvement. We offer competitive salary and a great benefits package. Student Loan repayment program is available for part-time providers.

For additional
information, click on this
link.

Any questions about this position please call Vivian Sorrow (818)898-1388 x41626 or email Dr Baffigo at ursulabaffigo@nevhc.org

Are you using
the Los Angeles
Homeless
Resource Wiki?
LA's Most
Comprehensive
Resource

<http://lahomeless.org/>

Los Angeles Homeless Resource is a vast collection of community resources and information. It is a collaborative effort, one that brings together service providers, advocates, government agencies and the general public. This resource is volunteer-driven and is freely edited by any Wikia user. UHHP has joined this collaborative effort as a sponsoring agency. Please help make this a better resource by participating as an [LAHomeless.org](http://lahomeless.org/) contributor. Your contributions will help to provide the most current and up-to-date resource information. You can add and edit resources and information at any time--thus helping to make the Los Angeles Homeless Resource Wiki site the definitive homeless resource.

This year, Congress has directed HUD to review the formula and have directed the agency to consider changing it. Our window of opportunity to make recommendations was done through a letter that was sent to Secretary of Housing & Urban Development, Shaun Donovan, on behalf of numerous agencies.

United Way of Greater Los Angeles has prepared an informational policy brief. Please click on the following link to view it:

[Funding Formula Policy Brief](#)

REGISTER NOW!

Pre-Registration Required by September 14, 2010.
No Fee. Approved for 2.5 CME Credits.

The 7th Annual
National Adult Immunization Awareness Week (NAIAW) 2010
Continuing Medical Education Workshop on:

Adult Immunizations: The Challenges and Opportunities to
Vaccinate the Medically Underserved"

FOCUS ON ADULTS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

September 21, 2010
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
545 S. San Pedro Street
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Presented by: The Immunization Coalition of Los Angeles County (ICLAC) in
Collaboration with UCLA School of Nursing and United Homeless Healthcare
Partners (UHHP)

For more info: Contact Wendy Berger, MPH at wberger@ph.lacounty.gov (213-351-7499) or Mary Martisee, M.D. at Mmartisee@URM.org (213-673-4849)

Pre-Registration Required by September 14, 2010.
No Fee. Lunch will be provided.

For Complete Flyer & Registration Form, Click on Link Below:

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/ip/ICLAC/materials/ICLACRegForm09-10.pdf>

Read All About Our Members

Elizabeth (Libby) Boyce has recently been appointed "Homeless Coordinator" for Los Angeles County. She is based in the CEO (Service Integration Branch). You may contact her at: elboyce@ceolacounty.gov

Read about Mark Casanova in LA Weekly, as he shares a harrowing experience in his personal life and how a man's humanity relates to his own work as Executive Director of Homeless Health Care Los Angeles. www.laweekly.com/2010-05-20/la-life/mark-casanova-the-rescuer/

Register now for CCALAC's Policy Café!
Where great dialogue is on the menu

Join policymakers, community leaders, and stakeholders for timely breakfast discussions on the issues impacting L.A.'s health care landscape. Registration & Sponsorships are available now!

October 15th: California's November Ballot

Seating is limited - register today at www.ccalac.org/!



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UHHP wishes to acknowledge the photo image work of Roger Marshutz (which we may have altered for our design needs) in this newsletter.

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