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LHIC Coalition and Work Group Members - Please see below for upcoming webinars and resources. We encourage you to consider participating and to share these opportunities with your stakeholders and others in the community. If you have programs or opportunities that you would like to submit, please send them via email to lhic@howardcountymd.gov.

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**LOCAL RESOURCES AND MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

* The next Full HCLHIC meeting is October 17 from 9:00am to 11:00am. [Link](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2024-hclhic-full-coalition-meetings-tickets-726290964827?aff=oddtdtcreator).
* Howard County will Celebrate Walktober in October. [Link](https://www.howardcountymd.gov/walktober).
* Maryland Department of Health Releases New Overdose Data Dashboard. [Link](https://health.maryland.gov/dataoffice/Pages/mdh-dashboards.aspx)
* Howard County celebrates Business Appreciation Week October 7 – 11. [Link](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/howard-county-business-appreciation-week-2024-registration-936580436297?aff=oddtdtcreator).
* Maryland Highway Safety Office releases road safety toolkit. [Link](https://zerodeathsmd.gov/digital-resources/).
* Howard County Office of Human Rights and Equity is seeking commissioners for the La Alianza Latina Commission. [Link](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/boards-commissions).
* Columbia named the best place to live in Maryland. [Link](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G-VZWJ70Wlk).

**FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

**Title: Women’s Health Research**

**Description:** In alignment with the White House Initiative on Women’s Health Research, the Office of Research on Women's Health has released a new NOSI to highlight interest in receiving research applications focused on diseases and health conditions that predominantly affect women (e.g., autoimmune diseases; depressive disorders, Alzheimer’s disease (AD) and Alzheimer’s disease-related dementias (ADRD), gender-based-violence), present and progress differently in women (e.g., cardiovascular disease; HIV; reproductive aging and its implications), or are female-specific (e.g., uterine fibroids; endometriosis; menopause).

**Applications Deadline:** Submission dates vary by awarding NIH Institute or Center Contacts. [Apply](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-24-079.html)

**Title: Community-Based Maternal Behavioral Health Services Program**

**Description:** The purpose of this program is to improve access to evidence-based, timely, and culturally relevant maternal mental health and substance use (behavioral health) intervention and treatment by strengthening community referral pathways. Recipients will be expected to collaborate with pregnancy and postpartum healthcare organizations, refer individuals in need of behavioral health care to the appropriate entities, and provide short-term mental health and substance use services to individuals who cannot access care.

**Applications Deadline:** August 26, 2024. [Apply](https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sm-24-013)

**Title: Syndemic Approach to Preventing HIV and Substance Use Among Racial and Ethnic Minority Communities**

**Description:** The purpose of the SAP program is to advance equity in health outcomes for racial and ethnic minority communities, especially all Black female identities, including cisgender, transgender, nonbinary, and genderqueer/fluid individuals in the South who are experiencing disparities related to HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis (VH), sexually transmitted infections (STIs), substance use and substance use disorders (SUDs), and/or mental health conditions.

**Applications Deadline:** Wednesday, August 28, 2024. [Apply](https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sp-24-004?utm_source=SAMHSA&utm_campaign=2aff266ed6-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2024_07_29_02_49&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_-2aff266ed6-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D)

**Title: HEAL Initiative: Development of Therapies and Technologies Directed at Enhanced Pain Management (R41/R42 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)**

**Description:** Grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to speed scientific solutions to stem the national opioid public health crisis by supporting the development of therapies and technologies directed at enhanced pain management through the Small Business Technology Transfer program.

**Applications Deadline:** Wednesday**,** September 4, 2024. [Apply](https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/343551?utm_campaign=fyi_newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)

**Title: Implementing and Sustaining Evidence-Based Mental Health Practices in Low-Resource Settings to Achieve Equity in Outcomes (R34 Clinical Trial Required)**

**Description:** Challenge grant from NIH supports pilot work for subsequent studies testing the effectiveness of strategies to deliver evidence-based mental health services, treatment interventions and/or preventive interventions in low-resource mental health specialty and non-specialty settings within the U.S.

**Applications Deadline:** Saturday**,** September 7, 2024. [Apply](https://www.grants.gov/search-results-detail/345394?utm_campaign=fyi_newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)

**Title: Cooperative Agreements for Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Planning Grants**

**Description:** The purpose of this program is to support states in developing and implementing certification systems for Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs), establish Prospective Payment Systems for Medicaid reimbursable behavioral health services, and prepare an application to participate in a four-year CCBHC Demonstration program.

**Applications Deadline:** September 12, 2024. [Apply](https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/sm-25-001?utm_source=SAMHSA&utm_campaign=2b1d68fd62-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2024_07_29_06_30&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_-2b1d68fd62-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D)

**EVENTS, TRAININGS, WEBINARS, SELF-PACED COURSES AND SUPPORT PROGRAMS**

***Events below may not be hosted or provided by HCLHIC. If you have any questions about***

***these events, please contact the event organizers directly.***

**HEALTHY BEGINNINGS**

**Title: Baby basics (Part 1 and 2)**

**Description:** Hosted by Priority Partner. This two-part (1 hour each day) workshop teaches expecting and new parents about caregiving for a newborn(s) from birth to 6 months of age. Join this workshop to learn more about feeding and bathing, changing diapers, safe sleeping, tips for when to call the doctor, self-care and overall well-being.

Discover additional resources on lactation and car seat safety.

**Date/Time:** August 28 - 29, 2024, 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Register using the [link](https://www.ppmco.org/get-free-support/health-wellness-classes/baby-basics-part-1-and-2/).

**Title: Guiding the Journey: Preparing for Life after High School**

**Description:** During this training, families will: Understand their changing role; Get help unpacking the IEP Transition section; Develop a vision and transition action plan with your young person; Plan for life after high school; and so much more!

**Date/Time:** Applications due August 16, 2024

Get more information using the [link](https://ppmd.app.box.com/s/k0tv95georysa3m0td06wtzoj5k8adq8).

**Title: Survival Guide for the Elementary Years**

**Description:** As children ages 4 to 10 fluctuate between independence and dependence, it's frustrating for parents. Learn how to handle oppositional behaviors and improve homework habits.

**Date/Time:** Monday, August 21, 7:00pm - 8:00pm Location varies

Register using the [link](https://anc.apm.activecommunities.com/howardcounty/activity/search/detail/141025?onlineSiteId=0&from_original_cui=true).

**Title: Coffee and Conversations (Birth – Kindergarten)**

**Description:** The Parent’s Place of Maryland is hosting Coffee and Conversations for families with children ages 0-5. Coffee and Conversations is a safe virtual space for

sharing ideas, sharing frustrations, getting resources, and making new friends. Coffee and Conversations (Birth – Kindergarten) sessions meets the first Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm.

**Date/Time:** Tuesday**,** September 3, 2024 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Register using the [link](https://www.ppmd.org/event/coffee-and-conversations-birth-kindergarten/2024-09-03/).

**Title: Free Backpacks with School Supplies**

**Description:** The Howard County Community Resources and Services, Office of the Local Children’s Board and the Multiservice Center is giving away FREE Backpacks with School Supplies on Saturday, August 24,2024.

**Date/Time:** Saturday, August 24, 2024, 11:00am – 1:00pm

**Register:** Call 410-313-0242 or email vmathis@howardcountymd.gov for information

**Title: Chromebook Distribution Event**

**Description:** Howard County Office of Children and Families will be distributing Chromebook on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, 10:00am – 2:00pm & 4:00pm – 7:00pm. Only Howard County residents 18 years or older may participate. One device is allowed per household.

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, August 20, 2024, 10:00am – 2:00pm & 4:00pm – 7:00pm

Register using the [link](https://anc.apm.activecommunities.com/howardcounty/activity/search/detail/141687?onlineSiteId=0&from_original_cui=true).

**HEALTHY LIVING**

**Title: August Foraging Walk**

**Description:** This walk will introduce plants that grow commonly in a variety of ecological niches in our region -- exploring where to find them, what portion of the plant to harvest throughout the season, and how to align your foraging choices with responsible and interdependent ecological stewardship. Develop your knowledge of and relationship with local ecosystems to reclaim your place as full and worthy participant in - not alienated from - the dance of nature.

**Date/Time:** Saturday**,** August 17, 2024, 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Register using the[link](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/august-foraging-walk-tickets-950344023557?aff=odeimcmailchimp&mc_cid=e8a95edd2e&mc_eid=1a2b12a8c5).

**Title: Thrive While Aging Solo**

**Description:** A Solo Ager is a person who, by choice or circumstance, functions without the support system traditionally provided by families. Anyone can become a solo ager following a life event like divorce or the death of a spouse. Join us to learn how building a strong social network can reduce the fear and negative aspects of aging alone. Free, call 410-313-7680 (voice/relay) to register.

**Date/Time:** Wednesday**,** August 21, 2024, 1:00pm – 2:00pm

Register by calling 410-313-7680

**Title: Food by Freetown**

**Description:** The Freetown Farm team will host their first-ever “**Food by Freetown**” event, which will feature fresh food and drinks prepared with ingredients grown on their farm. Spend the evening together enjoying the late-summer bounty and learning how supporting sustainable and local food systems is a powerful way to increase community resilience.

**Date/Time:** Thursday, August 22, 2024, 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Register using the[link](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/food-by-freetown-common-ground-screening-tickets-956093821357?aff=oddtdtcreator&mc_cid=e8a95edd2e&mc_eid=1a2b12a8c5).

**Title: Savage Farmers Market**

**Description:** This grassroots, volunteer-driven initiative is dedicated to providing a venue for local farmers, growers, and producers to offer fresh, nutritious, high-quality, regionally-grown or produced food to the community of Savage, Maryland.

**Date/Time:** Wednesdays, August 21/28, 2024, 3:30pm - 7:30pm

Register using the[link](https://www.savagefarmersmarket.com/).

**Title: August Volunteer Day**

**Description:** Join The Green Farmacy Garden and work with garden staff and community members to clear undergrowth and mulch to protect the forest floor for fall plantings. Perks of volunteering include access to the garden and our incredible stock of powerful plant allies, refreshing beverages made fresh, plant and knowledge shares, and community!

**Date/Time:** Saturday**,** August 31, 2024, 11:00am – 1:00pm

Register using the[link](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/august-volunteer-day-tickets-984319916367?aff=erelpanelorg).

**Title: Sensory-Friendly Sunday**

**Description:** These events are designed for families with kids, teens, and adults with sensory-processing differences, autism spectrum disorder, or developmental disabilities. Robinson Nature Center exhibits, trails and outdoor play area open early. Enjoy self-paced activities including sensory bins and pathways, scavenger hunts, crafts, or planetarium movies. Preregistration recommended.

**Date/Time:** Sunday**,** September 8, 2024, 10:30am – 12:00pm

Register using the[link](https://anc.apm.activecommunities.com/howardcounty/activity/search/detail/140794?onlineSiteId=0&from_original_cui=true).

**Title: Trail Trekkers - Hiking Crew**

**Description:** Get out in nature with a series of four hikes across the county. Individuals using wheelchairs are welcome. We provide All Terrain- GRIT Freedom Chair wheelchairs that can be self-propelled or assisted by our team; Trekking poles; and grit chairs!

**Date/Time:** Wednesday**,** September 25, 2024, 2:00pm – 4:00pm

Register using the[link](https://anc.apm.activecommunities.com/howardcounty/activity/search/detail/142739?onlineSiteId=0&from_original_cui=true).

**HEALTHY MINDS**

**Title: SUD Training Series: The Opioid Public Health Crisis**

**Description**: This substance use disorder training series is offered in partnership with Maryland Commitment to Veterans and is open to members of the Maryland public. Overdose Lifeline Series. Learn about the three waves of the opioid epidemic, its risk factors and causes, and multifaceted solutions.

**Date/Time:** Thursday, August 22, 2024, 10:00am – 11:30pm

Register using the [link](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/maryland-ropta-sud-series-with-maryland-commitment-to-veterans-tickets-882218688847?aff=oddtdtcreator).

**Title: Understanding Mental Health Disparities Within Rural LGBTQ+ Communities**

**Description**: This webinar will present the goals and procedures of the Rural Engagement and Approaches For LGBTQ+ Mental Health (REALM) study, which is developing a longitudinal cohort of diverse LGBTQ+ adults residing in rural and small metropolitan communities across the United States.

**Date/Time:** Thursday, August 22, 2024, 1:30pm – 3:00pm

Register using the [link](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/understanding-mental-health-disparities-within-rural-lgbtq-communities-tickets-942355830657?aff=erelpanelorg).

**Title: Introductory/Refresher Virtual Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral Treatment Training**

**Description**: Strengthen the quality of your clinical care and prevent the unhealthy consequences of alcohol and drug use among your clients by implementing Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) services. Through our training and coaching, participants learn how to use evidence-based screening tools to determine alcohol and drug use risk levels, respond with a brief intervention and operationalize referral to treatment for adolescents and adults.

**Date/Time:** Thursday, August 22, 2024, 2:00pm – 3:00pm

Register using the [link](https://howardcountymd.sharepoint.com/sites/HealthDepartment-PCA-CommunityEngagement/Shared%20Documents/LHIC%20Files/LHIC%20WORKGROUPS/HCLHIC%20Workgroup%20Email/2024/July%2016%2C%202024/Member%20Resources%207-16-2024.docx).

**Title: SUD Training Series: Guide to Harm Reduction**

**Description**: This substance use disorder training series is offered in partnership with Maryland Commitment to Veterans and is open to members of the Maryland public. Overdose Lifeline Series. Understand the advantages of harm reduction and how it can prevent further complications of drug use.

**Date/Time:** Thursday, August 29, 2024, 10:00am – 11:30am

Register using the [link](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/maryland-ropta-sud-series-with-maryland-commitment-to-veterans-tickets-882363191057?aff=oddtdtcreator).

**Title: Neurobiology of Substance Use Disorders**

**Description**: In this presentation we will focus on the brain circuitry part of this definition. We will explore brain development, the neural changes that occur in response to drug and alcohol use, and how those changes impact a person’s behavior. As we understand more about the behavioral changes seen in people with substance use disorders we will also discuss ways to use this knowledge to approach engaging people in recovery.

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, September 10, 2024, 10:30am – 12:00pm

Register using the [link](https://help.recoverycentersofamerica.com/CEU2024-09-10NeurobiologyofSubstanceUseDisorders_registration.html?mkt_tok=OTU2LUREUC02MTEAAAGU5aj4JYqNiFZkqhWb323kM8683Ibq0RLb4c5s2ppD17dtiDNq9Okm3UM5ojsyu3lqKzaYy2v2j_oHzW8nG7UYIr7VgESu_UTIcXJ3gGS5EAH5TQ).

**Title: The Thriving Warrior: Supporting the Mental Health Needs of Individuals Living with Sickle Cell Disease – Webinar**

**Description:** NAMI Maryland’s 42nd Annual Conference will be held virtually on October 4th and 5th, 2024! This year’s conference will bring together experts, advocates, and individuals passionate about mental health. Together, we’ll delve into crucial topics, foster insightful conversations, and work towards improving the lives of those affected by mental illness.

**Date/Time:** October 4 – 5, 2024

Register using the [link](https://events.zoom.us/ev/AhZmHer3lhwxvC5eNWHkgxTNqb0Jcbp12Rh3LC7hQNjdmk1Clsz7~AiwDsYNH2OxUb3EZUv3nJt_LnKDX--2_g8vCvzA58w4Nc72iCvPaNb5ndA).

 **OTHER RESOURCES/RESEARCH/ARTICLES/UPDATES**

**Healthy Beginnings**

* Howard County Office of Children & Families is offering the Basic Insights program for parents. [**Link**](https://partners.mybliss.ai/basics-insights/HCOOCAF1692)**.**
* HCPSS is offering “What Your Child Will Learn” Guides. [**Link**](https://www.hcpss.org/academics/what-your-child-will-learn-guides/)**.**
* Department of Community Resources & Services is distributing free Chromebooks to income-eligible Howard County Residents. [**Link**](https://anc.apm.activecommunities.com/howardcounty/activity/search/detail/141687?onlineSiteId=0&from_original_cui=true)**.**
* School knowledge of infectious diseases in schools article. [Link](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/39109148/).
* Rising suicide rates among preteens points to urgent need for interventions article. [**Link**](https://www.deseret.com/family/2024/07/31/preteen-suicide-rate-increase-young-girls-minorities/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)**.**
* AI-Powered Device Estimated Gestational Age as Accurately as Sonographers article. [**Link**](https://www.medpagetoday.com/obgyn/pregnancy/111358?xid=nl_mpt_DHE_2024-08-02&mh=f80893805c96b03be10da3d9b0486440&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Daily%20Headlines%20Evening%202024-08-02&utm_term=NL_Daily_DHE_dual-gmail-definition)**.**
* Targeted Agent Promising for Life-threatening Fetal Condition article. [**Link**](https://www.medpagetoday.com/pediatrics/generalpediatrics/111412?xid=nl_mpt_DHE_2024-08-07&mh=f80893805c96b03be10da3d9b0486440&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Daily%20Headlines%20Evening%202024-08-07&utm_term=NL_Daily_DHE_dual-gmail-definition)**.**

**Healthy Living**

* Maryland Highway Safety Office releases road safety toolkit. [Link](https://zerodeathsmd.gov/digital-resources/).
* University of Maryland is hosting Rewilding: Regenerating Communities and Ecosystems webinar August 28. [**Link**](https://umd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIoceigrjooHNSZebvYy0_SnvCujxc4iaDv?mc_cid=e8a95edd2e&mc_eid=1a2b12a8c5#/registration)**.**
* Registration for the 2024 Safe Routes to School National Conference is open. [**Link**](https://web.cvent.com/event/25fffaa0-4df9-41de-b00f-021558eea253/websitePage%3Ade3c8a65-4734-48fe-9e3b-0c0ed28efe12).
* Recreation & Parks 2024 Fall Activity Guide is available online. [**Link**](https://www.howardcountymd.gov/recreation-parks/resource/2024-fall-activity-guide).
* Registration for the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting & Expo is open. [Link](https://www.apha.org/Events-and-Meetings/Annual/?utm_source=Informz&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=APHA%20Website&_zs=cfnSe&_zl=d0m94).
* Advancing Health Equity in Diabetes: Tools to Help Remove Barriers to Health article. [**Link**](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/39049975/)**.**
* Best Practices and Lessons Learned From the Public Health Disability Specialists Program article. [**Link**](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/39088586/)**.**
* Rachell L. Gray Community Foundation will continue their Fresh Produce initiative on September 9. [**Link**](https://www.rlgcommunityfoundationhelp.org/event-details/monthlyfresh-produce-11)**.**
* Sexual and Gender Minorities are Twice as Likely to Report Active Epilepsy. [Link](https://www.ninds.nih.gov/news-events/news/press-releases/sexual-and-gender-minorities-are-twice-likely-report-active-epilepsy)

**Healthy Minds**

* NAMI Maryland has re-designed and re-platformed their website. [Link](https://namimd.org/).
* National Fentanyl Prevention and Awareness Day is August 21. [**Link**](https://facingfentanylnow.org/)**.**
* Maryland Addiction Consultation Service is hosting a Co-Occurring Disorder in Pregnancy webinar on August 27. [**Link**](https://macs.oasis-lms.com/Public/Catalog/Details.aspx?id=96nQowLcDfrnmrRG0pwNlA%3d%3d).
* Public Health and Dementia - Part 1: Understanding the Public Health Impact of Dementia webinar. [Link](https://alz-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WQWMB4dKTr2gGIfG3uqN6w#/registration)
* Maryland Addiction Consultation Service is hosting An Introduction to HHS Office of Civil Rights and Our Legal Authorities webinar on August 29. [Link](https://macs.oasis-lms.com/Public/Catalog/Details.aspx?id=tU7%2fZRQn%2bnVtBENmBgQofw%3d%3d).
* International Overdose Awareness Day is on August 31. [Link](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/international-overdose-awareness-day-of-howard-county-tickets-941484995967).
* HC DrugFree has released a Teens & Weed fact sheet. [**Link**](https://files.constantcontact.com/9462ff79001/95e19532-92e2-488c-adda-b7c8aff3d1f5.pdf?rdr=true_gl=1*1fb7xj4*_gcl_au*MTY2NDIxMzM4Mi4xNzE5ODM3OTU5*_ga*OWVmYzRhYmItMWMwNC00NzVhLWE4NGQtMGQyNzhlZjFkYWYx*_ga_14T5LGLSQ3*MTcyMTMyNjczOS4yMy4xLjE3MjEzMjkzNzUuNDYuMC4w)**.**
* NAMI Howard County has a Veteran Support Group that meets every Monday. [**Link**](https://namihowardcountymd.org/support-and-education/veteran-support-group/).
* The Maryland Coalition of Families BHS Caregiver Survey is available online. [Link](https://redcap-phpa.health.maryland.gov/surveys/?s=MJK3DPYJAD9Y9KLW).