### **About The AETC NCHCMC**

The Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA's) AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETC) National Center for HIV Care in Minority Communities (NCHCMC) is **the HIV/AIDS Bureau's major effort** to expand HIV/AIDS care and treatment within highly impacted communities of color. NCHCMC will increase access to comprehensive HIV care for ethnic and racial minority communities severely impacted by HIV by developing the organizational capacity of health centers that are not directly funded through the Ryan White Program. AETC NCHCMC is funded through the Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) and the AETC program.

# **Eligibility**

This opportunity is open to organizations meeting the following three eligibility criteria:

- Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) or FQHC Look-Alikes
- No direct funding from the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program (sub-contractors and indirectly funded organizations are eligible)
- A minimum of 4 years providing primary medical care to racial/ethnic minority communities

#### **Benefits**

As health centers work toward expanding their primary care services to include care for people living with HIV, they will engage in a **robust, innovative curriculum** designed to align existing work and responsibilities with changing and expanding demands. Further, the curriculum puts expansion of services in the context of the Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH). Thus, with PCMH as the guiding model and HIV as the population of focus, components of the curriculum include:

- HIV Clinical Care Within Primary Care
- Enhance Access and Continuity
- Identify and Manage Patient Populations
- Plan and Manage Care

- Linkage to Community Resources
- Maximizing Revenue for HIV services
- Track and Coordinate Care
- Measure and Improve Performance

The **one-year curriculum** features expert faculty and will be delivered through a variety of learning modalities, including:

- A dynamic online community that fosters shared learning and innovation through forums, real-time access to experts and data, and communication about pertinent happenings and events
- Webinars
- Face-to-face workshops

The curriculum is **enhanced and supported** by:

- Dedicated Performance Improvement Coaches to support and drive organizational change
- Targeted technical and financial assistance to build organizational capacity



# **Participation**

Participating health centers agree to:

- Participate in the year-long program.
- Commit to develop or expand HIV services.
- Identify and secure commitment from two "Learning Leaders" senior staff who co-lead and manage this initiative. These individuals will participate in a 2 day face-to-face meeting. CEOs will participate for one day of this Session. These three individuals will have a continuous role in the year-long implementation of this project. Visit www.nchcmc.org for a expanded description of Learning Leader participation.
- Complete organizational assessments, as well as individual clinical assessments for providers participating in the project.
- Participate in a site visit (approximately 1/2 day) where members of the Learning Community team come onsite to your health center to meet with Learning Leaders, CEO, and other key staff.
- Regular communication with AETC NCHCMC staff and Performance Improvement Coaches.
- Monthly reporting.

Health centers will incur no **financial costs** related to this program. While there is a commitment of staff time, all travel, training, mentoring, and TA costs will be covered for the duration of the program.



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