

FREE CLINIC NEWS

A monthly newsletter to help keep you informed

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July 10th, 2015 – Northeast Ohio Regional Meeting

The first regional meeting for the Northeast Ohio clinics was a success! Thanks to everyone who participated-- including O AFC's two new VISTA members. These regional groups will act as resource sharing opportunities for clinics to connect and collaborate.

We are in the process of scheduling meetings for rest of the state! So, be looking for an email from Laura or Bekah in the O AFC office.

Mark Your Calendars!

September 18th is the O AFC Annual Meeting! The meeting is going to be **MANDATORY**, so each clinic should have someone there to vote on their behalf.

Quality Assurance Standards

In September at the Annual Meeting, the O AFC will be presenting Quality Assurance Standards to the Association's members. The Association sees an importance in the continuity the level of care and access available to the underserved across Ohio. The Standards are comprised of 7 different portions, which include enhanced access and continuity, management of patient populations, management of patient care, community resources, coordination of patient care, performance measurements, and administrative standards.

Laura and Bekah, the VISTAs in the O AFC office, have created a toolkit to aid clinics in the implementation of the QA Standards and will be available to help the clinics throughout the process.

Coming your way soon!

Some of you know that Deb Miller has been making the rounds and visiting clinics recently. If you haven't seen her yet, feel free to schedule a time for her to visit. Otherwise, she'll be contacting you! Let her know of any questions or any materials you would like her to bring. So far, Deb has visited 20 clinics! To contact Deb for a scheduled visit, email her at: deb@ohiofreeclinics.org.

Welcome Laura and Bekah!



Laura and Bekah are our new VISTA Members in the O AFC office. They began work here at the O AFC at the end of June and will be working with us for a year.

Some of the projects they're going to be working on include creating regional groups across the state, working with the legislature to get Representatives and Senators into clinics, and helping clinics implement the QA Standards.

Please send a welcome to each of the VISTAs:

Laura: lcook@ohiofreeclinics.org

Bekah: rtefft@ohiofreeclinics.org

Calendar of Events

July

- 15 Health Care Planning Committee Meeting
- 24 Quality Assurance Committee Meeting

August

- 4 Education Committee Meeting
- 12 OAFC Board of Directors Retreat
- 14 Legislative Committee Meeting
- 28 Quality Assurance Committee Meeting



September

- 1 Education Committee Meeting
- 7 **Labor Day (OAFC Office Closed)**
- 11 Quality Assurance Committee Meeting
- 18 **OAFC Annual Meeting - Mandatory**

➤ Want to share an event happening in YOUR clinic? Send info to: deb@ohiofreeclinics.org

➤ If you would like to join a committee, email deb@ohiofreeclinics.org and we will add you to the roster.