



Wyoming
Department
of Health

NEWSLETTER

Communicable Disease Unit

Monthly Theme: Black History Month and National Condom Month

February 2024

TOP NEWS

Black History Month

The origins of Black History Month date back to the early 20th century. It was established to address the lack of recognition and inclusion of Black history in American education and culture. Dr. Carter G. Woodson, often referred to as the “Father of Black History,” played a pivotal role in its creation. In 1926, he initiated “Negro History Week,” which later evolved into Black History Month.

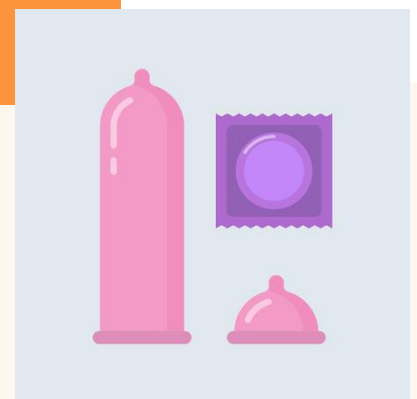
Black History Month was officially recognized by the U.S. government in the 1970s, and since then, it has grown into a nationwide celebration of African American heritage and achievements. [Read More](#)



National Condom Month

National Condom Week is the same week as Valentine’s Day in the USA. The observance raises awareness about the condom’s use and its importance to safe sex.

In fact, the entire month of February is National Condom Month. Originally started on the campus of the University of California – Berkeley, it has grown into an educational event for high schools, colleges, AIDS groups, sexually transmitted disease awareness groups, pharmacies, and condom manufacturers. [Read More](#)



New National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 988

You can still use 1-800-273-8255 and many others are available [here](#).

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[William Hinton](#)

KnoWyo Shop



The [KnoWyo Shop](#) is the Wyoming Communicable Disease Unit (CDU) prevention supply ordering platform. Locations must be pre-approved before orders will be fulfilled. Locations interested in ordering from CDU may email cdusupplies@wyo.gov.

Fentanyl Test Strips



Fentanyl test strip kits are available on the [KnoWyo Shop](#). These kits are provided by the WDH Mental Health and Substance Use Treatment Services Unit.

Kits include (10) Fentanyl Test Strips, (10) Microscopes, and Fentanyl Test Kit Instructions.

CDU Rapid HIV Test Quality Control Reminders



Please make sure you are performing QC on your stock HIV tests. Do you know when your tests expire? Are you taking them elsewhere? Do you have enough on-hand?

SGRX340BFlex



All 340B and EPT medications will now be ordered through the [SGRX340BFlex](#) website. If you have any issues, please reach out to the cdusupplies@wyo.gov email.

Quick Fact: Black History Month honors the contributions of African Americans to U.S. history. Among the prominent figures are Madam C.J. Walker, who was the first U.S. woman to become a self-made millionaire; George Washington Carver, who derived nearly 300 products from the peanut; Rosa Parks, who sparked the Montgomery Bus Boycott and galvanized the civil rights movement; and Shirley Chisholm, who was the first African American woman elected to the U.S. House of

Representatives. [Read More](#)

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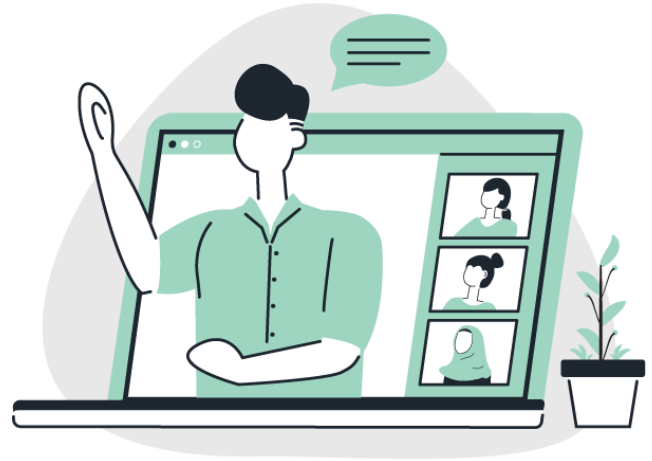
[Helene D. Gayle](#)

CDU MONTHLY WEBINAR:

2024 KnowWyo Voucher Guidance

February 20, 2024 at 2pm – 3pm

[Register](#)



CDU HEROES

- Shout out to Alyssa for completing Marketplace Open Enrollment! She worked diligently with our eligible clients to meet their insurance needs.



Engagement Opportunities

HIV & Trauma Awareness for First Responders: Training for Effective Support (Virtual)

[February 8, 2024 at 2:00 EST](#)

HCV Elimination: Can the US be Free of HCV? (Webinar)

[February 9, 2024 at 12:30 PM EST](#)



Upcoming Events

February 16

March

March 21-22

March 24

March 31

April 26-27

Last day for 2023 TB Bills

LGBTQ+ Awareness Month






WY TB Cohort & Advisory Meeting

World TB Day

Easter

CAPPA - Cody

FEBRUARY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 	2	3
4	5 	6	7 TB Monthly Meeting 11AM - Noon	8	9	10
11	12	13 	14 HIV Case Management Call 1-2 PM	15	16 Last day for 2023 TB Bills	17
18 	19 President's Day CDU Closed	20 CDU Monthly Webinar 2-3 PM	21 CDU Outreach Staff Call 10-11:30 AM	22	23 	24
25	26	27	28	29		

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