



NEWSLETTER

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Monthly Theme: World Hepatitis Day

July 2024

TOP NEWS

World Hepatitis Day

“World Hepatitis Day, launched in 2008, aims to raise awareness about the global burden of viral hepatitis and to foster partnerships for its elimination. The day is an opportunity to increase public understanding of viral hepatitis, its transmission, prevention, and treatment, encourage governments to prioritize hepatitis policies and funding, amplify the voices of people living with viral hepatitis and affected communities, and highlight the progress made in viral hepatitis elimination efforts”. [Read More](#)



AETC Mountain West

Wyoming AETC Lunch and Learn Webinar: Syphilis Updates on Treatment and Prevention

Tuesday, July 30th, 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM MT

[Register](#)

The Syndemic of HIV, Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs), and Behavioral Health Disorders

Wed, July 16th, 2:30 PM – 4:00 PM PT

[Register](#)

AIDS Clinical Conference: Promoting Sexual Health

Tue, July 16th, 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM PT

[Register](#)



New National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 988

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

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[Charles M. Rice](#)

Syphilis Call to Action



Rates of syphilis are rising across the country. Syphilis during pregnancy can cause adverse maternal and neonatal outcomes, including stillbirth, miscarriage, infant death, and congenital anomalies. A recent Vital Signs report from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) noted that:

- Congenital syphilis cases in the United States have increased more than 10-fold since 2012.

Of these cases:

- Roughly 90% are preventable with timely testing and treatment.
- In almost 40% of cases, mothers received no prenatal care during pregnancy.

To help address the rise in syphilis, HRSA has increased the flexibility of the Title V Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Services Block Grant to allow for syphilis prevention, testing, diagnosis, and treatment. WDH MCH and CDU are collaborating on two campaigns to prevent, identify, and treat syphilis.

1. Social marketing and social media campaign designed to encourage pregnant who are not engaged in prenatal to receive syphilis testing to protect their baby. This campaign includes digital online ads, social media ads, and an educational brochure (rack card) with linkage to low or no-cost testing. The rack card can be ordered from the [KnowWyo Shop](#).
2. CDU and MCH are planning a detailing campaign which will reimburse public health and tribal health organizations for in-person prescriber detailing visits, in their county/area, which address required content. This campaign will end September 30, 2024. Additional information will be provided once the campaign is finalized.

STI Clinical Update



July 11, 2024 – 12:00 - 1:15 PM MT – Webinar

- STI Prevention in Clinical Care and EPT
- DoxyPEP
- Strengthening the U.S. Response to Resistant Gonorrhea (SURRG)

[Register](#)

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[Baruch S. Blumberg](#)

CAPPA



Please attend the Wyoming Comprehensive Care and Prevention Planning Alliance ([CAPPA](#)) in Evanston from August 9th to 10th.

NAHEWD



**National Alliance for HIV Education and Workforce Development
Bridging HIV, HIV Prevention, & Substance Use Disorders in Pregnancy**

Fri, July 12th, 9:00 – 10:00 AM PT

[Register](#)

STIX



STI International Exchange (STIIX) Virtual Conference Series

Every Friday 12th July - Friday 2nd August

[Learn more](#)

CDU TB Quarterly Meeting



July 11th, 9:30 – 10:30 AM MT

[Meeting Link](#)

Quick Fact: There are five strains of viral hepatitis, known as Hepatitis A, B, C, D, and E. But, Hepatitis A, B, and C are the most common of the five. In the U.S., an estimated 3.5 million people are living with Hepatitis C, and 850,000 people are living with Hepatitis B. [Read More](#)

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Michael
Houghton

CDU MONTHLY WEBINAR:

Tuesday, July 16th, 2pm MT

Guest speaker Megan Selheim, [WDH MCH Youth and Young Adult Health](#) Program Manager, will provide an overview of their [Wyoming Personal Responsibility and Education Program](#) (WyPREP) provides evidence-based, medically accurate teen pregnancy and STI/HIV prevention programming in schools and community-based settings. This program trains facilitators to deliver the content and provides reimbursement for delivering the content.

[Register](#)



CDU HEROES

- Nicole T. and Juli C. in Fremont Co PH for their work on a newly diagnosed individual and their partner! Amazing teamwork and flexibility with someone who is struggling with a new diagnosis.



Engagement Opportunities

[National Sexual Health Conference](#)

July 30 – 31, 2024 (Virtual)

[2024 National Ryan White HIV Care & Treatment Conference](#)

August 20 – 23, 2024 – Washington, DC

[2024 STI Prevention Conference](#)

September 16 – 19, 2024 – Atlanta, Georgia

[2024 Wyoming Nurses Association](#)

September 26 – 27, 2024 – Casper, Wyoming

Upcoming Events

August 31
September
September
September 18
September 25
September 27

International Overdose Awareness Day
National Suicide Prevention Month
Sexual Health Awareness Month
National HIV/AIDS and Aging Awareness Day
National Women's Health and Fitness Day
National Gay Men's HIV/AIDS Awareness Day

REMINDER

The new KnowWyo platform will be coming out by the first of the year. Training will be provided and each user will need a login. We will reach out to you soon!

JULY 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4 Independence Day CDU Closed	5 	6
7 	8	9	10 HIV Case Management Call 1-2:00 PM	11 TB Program Quarterly Call 9:30-11:30a	12	13
14	15	16 CDU Monthly Webinar 2-3:30 PM	17 CDU Outreach Staff Call 10-11:30 AM	18	19	20 
21	22 	23	24	25	26	27
28 World Hepatitis Day	29	30	31 			

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