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NAWHC NOW! provides information on upcoming programs, new developments, resources and benchmarking surveys related to onsite, near-site, shared, mobile and virtual worksite clinics, offered by the National Association of Worksite Health Centers, as well as information and resources from other industry experts and partners. Visit www.nawhc.org for details on the items mentioned and membership information.

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

Employer Sponsored Clinics and Return-To-Work - April 30th, 2020 - 11:00 AM CT - Webinar

As employers plan their return to work protocols, worksite centers have to be prepared for the various scenarios. This webinar, conducted by NAWHC member and Partner Mercer, will cover the following:

- *How do we support employees at the worksite?*
- *What other measures are employers considering?*
- *Responding to COVID-19 while planning ahead*
- *Q&A with Mercer subject matter experts*

The program is free for NAWHC members and \$50.00 for non-members. To attend the webinar for free, Members must login to register. If you have not logged in recently, you may need to reset your password before registering for the event. You can [register for the webinar here](#).

Pandemic Primary Care - May 14th, 2020 - 11:00 AM (CDT) - Webinar

This webinar will outline how a worksite center's primary care program responded to COVID-19 with a new pandemic primary care model, which includes access to both in-person and virtualized COVID specific care as well as ongoing essential primary care.

The webinar is free for NAWHC members. (To attend the webinar for free, Members must login to register. If you have not logged in recently, you may need to reset your password before registering for the event.) You can [register for the webinar here](#)

Coordinating Worksite Clinics and HSA Plans – May 20, 2020 – 12:00 PM ET - Webinar

Under present law, persons with HSAs must pay some "fair market value (FMV)" fee for services provided by employer clinics that offer more than first aid service. This webinar will present the results of a survey conducted by NAWHC's partner Mercer on how employers are addressing the issues involved in determining FMV and in offering worksite health center activities to their employees with HSA plans.

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Creating and Expanding Worksite Health Centers – The 8th Annual NAWHC Forum – September 24-25, 2020, Chicago, IL

Plan now to be in Chicago for NAWHC's 8th Annual Forum to do a deep dive into high priority challenges and best practices in managing worksite health and wellness centers. Should the COVID-19 situation still restrict travel and large gatherings, this event will be moved to a virtual format. A decision will be made in late July.

Contact Larry Boress at lboress@nawhc.org if you're interested in speaking on one or more of these topics.



REGISTER and learn more about the program go [here](#) on the NAWHC website. Sponsorship information is available at [this link](#).

Best Practices in Treating MSK and Back Pain in Your Worksite Clinic- Dec. 9, 2020, Dallas, TX

This program has now been rescheduled for December 9th in Dallas, TX. Musculoskeletal conditions and pain management are top clinical problems for employers and their health centers. To address this, a special targeted event will provide the latest research, best practices and experiences in treating these conditions with traditional and alternative approaches. To register or to sponsor go to [this link](#).

BENCHMARKING

How Worksite Health Centers are Responding to COVID-19 Challenges

In March 2020, the [National Association of Worksite Health Centers](#) (NAWHC), conducted a survey of employers, unions and vendors operating onsite and near-site centers to gauge the impact of the COVID-19 virus to their centers. The results are directional, not statistically accurate, but reflect, in general, how employer and union centers are addressing the crisis. Respondents came from all sizes of employers and all industries. Review the aggregate report of the survey at [this link](#).

RESOURCES AND RESEARCH

COVID-19 and Worksite Clinic Best Practices

Mercer conducted interviews with eight major clinic vendors to determine how they're dealing with the various COVID-19 challenges. Here is [a link to the best practices](#) being used.

Planning for and Responding to the Coronavirus

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides briefings on the coronavirus for businesses and health professionals. They usually last less than half an hour and there will likely be a recording available afterward. If you register for one, you'll hopefully get notified about future updates. Besides these updates for [employers](#), CDC is providing information to different audiences, including [healthcare professionals](#) and [public health officials](#), as well as [general briefings](#) and [health alerts](#).

Resources for Employers

The National Alliance of Healthcare Purchaser Coalitions has put together a webpage including webinar recordings, resources, publications and other items from various corporate and governmental sources on COVID-19 topics. View the many valuable items at [this link](#).

Healthcare Worker Exposure Response Registry and Hydroxychloroquine Trial

The Healthcare Worker Exposure Response & Outcomes ([HERO](#)) Registry is inviting U.S. healthcare workers (nurses, therapists, physicians, etc.) to share their clinical and life experiences in order to understand the perspectives and problems faced by workers on the COVID-19 pandemic front lines. After creating a profile on the registry, participants can choose to participate in surveys and receive invitations to future clinical trials. The first trial, [HERO-HCQ](#), will be available to select registry participants. The trial will test if hydroxychloroquine (HCQ, brand name Plaquenil®) is effective in preventing coronavirus infections in healthcare workers. Participating sites within [PCORnet](#)®, the National Patient-Centered Clinical Research Network will use the registry to recruit 15,000 healthcare workers to participate. The registry will also be used for other clinical trials and research studies that address unmet needs for healthcare workers.

There is no cost to enroll in the HERO Registry, which is completely voluntary, and only takes only a few minutes to join. After joining, registry participants will receive surveys and opportunities to participate in future



studies. Healthcare workers can participate as much or as little as they like. The registry will follow a protocol developed by the Duke Clinical Research Institute and data guidelines to keep healthcare worker information secure.

The HERO research program is funded through a Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute Award (Contract Number: COVID-19-2020-001). The program is coordinated by the Duke Clinical Research Institute and leverages PCORnet[®], the National Patient-Centered Clinical Research Network.. To learn more about the HERO Registry, visit <https://heroesresearch.org>.

MEMBERSHIP

We want to welcome and thank the following organizations for joining and renewing their membership in NAWHC:

New Members: 1 Team Clinic LLC; Advanced Primary Care Strategies; Employee Health Centre, LLC ; Health by Design; Pafford Medical Services; Walmart; WellStar Health System

Renewals: CareATC; City of Goodyear; D4; Froedtert & Medical College of Wisconsin; James Gragg; Kohl's; Marathon Health / OurHealth; Molson Coors Beverage Co.; Northwind Pharmaceuticals; Optimal Health Initiatives; ProgressiveHealth; Rosen Resorts; Target; Tony Purkey; WorkSiteRight-Northwestern Health Sciences University

Please visit our website at www.nawhc.org and be sure to check in and sign-up at the [NAWHC LinkedIn Group](#) to stay abreast of developments in NAWHC and in worksite health and wellness centers.

Thank you for your support and involvement in NAWHC. Stay safe.