
Mississippi Rural Health Association Rural Health Clinics Connection



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Welcome to 2011. Mississippi Rural Health Association (MRHA) has completed the organization's strategic planning for the year and is continually committed to being the voice for rural health clinics. And, thanks to you, we are excited to report that the rural health clinic community is the fastest growing segment of the MRHA membership. Let's work together to continue and expand this great partnership. The following is a highlight of RHC activities sponsored by MRHA for the upcoming year.

We are pleased to continue the publication of *Rural Health Clinics Connection*, a quarterly newsletter designed specifically for Mississippi's 150 plus rural health clinics. We would like to emphasize that this newsletter is for you (the RHCs) and encourage you to help us make it better. We need your continual input and feedback. Simply drop us an email at mississippirural@bellsouth.net. Let us know what you like and what you don't like. Help us transition *Rural Health Clinics Connection* into the leading resource of information for rural health clinics throughout Mississippi.

MRHA is continuing its sponsorship of RHC workshops throughout the State. The 2011 workshop content has been updated to reflect the feedback from participant evaluations from last year. Below is the new agenda.

Agenda:	8:30 am	Registration
	9:00 am	Welcome and Introduction – Alan Barefield
	9:15 am – 10:00 am	Top 20 RHC Billing Concerns - Joanie Perkins
	10:15 am – 11:00 am	Grant Writing 101 – Meg Funderbunk
	11:00 am – 11:45 am	Survey and Re-certification – MS State Department of Health
	11:45 am – 1:00 pm	Lunch (Provided)
	1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	EHR Stage 1 Requirements in the RHC
	2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Provider Enrollment and Billing Services - Christa Payne, Pinnacle Business Solutions
	3:15 pm – 4:00 pm	Surviving the Audits - Joanie Perkins
	4:00 pm	Evaluation/Adjournment

2011 RHC workshop dates and locations are: March 25 at Batesville Civic Center, Batesville; July 22 at Mississippi Nurses Association, Madison; and at the MRHA Annual Conference in November (date and location TBD).

We are also very excited about the launching of the new RHC listserv recently. This is a great tool for the RHC community to engage in open discussion on topics of interest. We strongly encourage all the RHC providers to take advantage of this opportunity. To join the listserv, subscribe at the following website:

www.groups.google.com/group/msrha_rhc/boxsubscribe and follow the directions. We hope to see you there.

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EVERYONE DESERVES TO BREATHE SMOKE-FREE AIR



The Mississippi Rural Health Association presents the “Tobacco-Free Mississippi: Engaging Rural Health Clinics Project.” The association is partnering with the ACT Center for Tobacco Treatment, Education, and Research at the University of Mississippi Medical Center and the Mississippi Tobacco Quitline to provide: The Brief Treatment Healthcare Provider Training and Tobacco Treatment Specialist Training. The following will be provided during free trainings: lunch, mileage reimbursement, and CEU’s.

Brief Treatment Healthcare Provider Training (Tobacco Training)

This workshop is designed to educate healthcare providers about tobacco products, factors influencing their use, and health impact. In addition, this program strives to provide healthcare providers with the skills and resources necessary to provide their patients with an effective, brief, evidence-based treatment program to facilitate their patients’ efforts to permanently quit the use of tobacco products. **There is no registration fee for this training. This training has been approved for 3.5 CE hours by the University of Mississippi Department of Continuing Education (AMA Category I, Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Nurses, Dentists, Dental Hygienists, and Pharmacists).**

Registration Form

Agenda

- Welcome
- Treating Tobacco Dependence: The Need for a Comprehensive, Evidence-Based Approach Tobacco Use and Impact
- Pharmacologic Management
- Improving Motivation
- The 5 A’s Intervention
- A Systems-Based Approach
- Questions and Answers

Name	Organization
Title	Address
City/State/Zip Code	Telephone
County	Email

Mail registration forms and training request form to MRHA, 31 Woodgreen Place, Madison, MS, 30110. The forms can also be faxed to (601) 898-3001. This program is funded by a grant from the Mississippi State Department of Health, Office of Tobacco Control.



**Brief Treatment Healthcare Provider Training (Tobacco Training)
Training Request Form**

I. Requestor Information

Requestor's Name _____

Facility Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Requestor Email Address: _____

Training Date Requested: _____

II. Training Requested

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- Tobacco Treatment Specialist Training**

Please return the training request form to:

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2011 RHC Workshops

March 25, 2011

Batesville Civic Center Batesville, Ms

July 22, 2011

Mississippi Nursing Assn Madison, Ms

MRHA Annual Conference (November)

TBD

TBD

Workshop agenda and registration forms can be found on MRHA Web site at

www.msaha.org

MRHA MEMBERSHIP

Join MRHA and help provide leadership for improvement in the health status of rural Mississippians. With your input, MRHA will continue to be the forum to exchange ideas and information as well as to encourage partnering among Mississippi's health-focused professionals and consumers.

A membership application can be found on the MRHA Web site at

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or obtained by contacting Cheryl Grubbs at

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