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Dear Friends,

Next month, Community Health Centers will be celebrating National Health Center Week. Governors will issue proclamations and hundreds of community events celebrating access to health care will take place among the 9,000 Community Health Center sites serving 22 million people nationwide. More people than ever can now find a health care home where their primary and preventive health care needs will be met.

Community Health Centers provide access to affordable primary and preventive care for all ages in a professional, patient-centered and welcoming environment. I encourage you to take the opportunity during National Health Center Week to attend a health center event, or call ahead to ask for information and a tour. To find a Community Health Center near you in New Hampshire or Vermont, visit www.findahealthcenter.org.



Classes begin on September 3 for Bi-State's [Leadership Development Program](#). Bi-State developed this program to educate emerging leaders about Community Health Center management - from front line staff to executive officers. The registration deadline is July 31. Please see below for more information.

I hope to see you during National Health Center Week, August 10-16, in New Hampshire or Vermont! [Please check Bi-State's website for more information.](#)

Sincerely,

[Tess Stack Kuenning, CNS, MS, RN](#)
President and Chief Executive Officer

Bi-State's Leadership Development Program Begins in September

Developing the Next Generation of Community Health Center Leaders



LDP 2010 Graduates and Instructors

The privilege of working for a Community Health Center comes with unique challenges and opportunities. The history of the Community Health Center movement, their shared mission, inclusive service model, and diverse funding streams impact operations at every level. Do you know someone working in a Community Health Center who is new to the field or who is in a position to grow in their career? Bi-State's **Leadership Development Program** is a seven-session educational series that provides a solid foundation to individuals working in the field of primary care delivery.

Every session in the *Leadership Development Program* immerses attendees in an experiential learning environment designed to build knowledge and skill. Participants will learn alongside colleagues from other health centers about the historic movement that created Community Health Centers in the United States, the patient-centered model of care, the impact and techniques of successful advocacy, the challenge and opportunities in budgeting and the importance of recruiting and retaining a qualified workforce.

Community Health Centers may choose to send either one staff member through the entire series or send different staff members to particular sessions. The **Leadership Development Program** curriculum and registration information is available on Bi-State's website: <http://www.bistatepca.org/conference-trainings/leadership-development-program>.

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Please contact [Stephanie Pagliuca, Director](#), if you have any questions: (603) 228-2830 x 111.



Employment Opportunities

Three positions open at
Bi-State Primary Care Association
Montpelier, Vermont
Please click here for information.



New Hampshire Health Center Week Events



Lamprey Health Care's Family-Friendly 5k Road Race

Saturday, August 9 - Newmarket - 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

The Lamprey Health Care Annual 5K Road Race will kick off Town of Newmarket Olde Home Day
Newmarket Community Center, Newmarket

Registration: 7 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. Race Starts: 8:30 a.m.

Prizes for top runners, a major raffle drawing, refreshments, and music, the Lamprey Health Care Annual 5K is great fun for runners, walkers, families, and kids. Road race proceeds help support Lamprey Health Care's special programs and services for children.

Monday, August 11 - Gorham - 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Coos County Family Health Services - Business After Hours

Coos County Family Health Services is hosting Business After Hours with the Androscoggin Valley Chamber of Commerce. Open to the public. Contact: Clover Koopman (603)752-3669

Tuesday, August 12, 5:30 pm

Indian Stream Health Center - 9th Community Annual Meeting

Event includes dinner, live music, presentation of Community Awards, and guest speaker, David Reynolds, DrPh. RSVP: Gaetane Boire (603)388-2432

Thursday, August 14 - Somersworth - 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Goodwin Community Health - Get Covered Enrollment and Health Education Fair

Goodwin patients who are currently uninsured will be invited and provided free transportation. Open to the public. Contact: Lara Willard (603)516-2558

Vermont Health Center Week Events

Community Health Centers of Burlington



Safe Harbor Medical Center

Tuesday, August 12 - 10th Anniversary of School Based Dental Center - Celebrating 10 years of providing quality dental care to low-income and uninsured children in the community.

Wednesday, August 13 - 10th Anniversary of Safe Harbor Medical Center

Friday, August 15 - 43rd Anniversary Celebration - Community Health Centers of Burlington

Contact: Destenie Vita (802)264-8191

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Bi-State Primary Care Association is a nonpartisan, nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization formed in 1986 to promote access to effective and affordable primary care and preventive services for all, with special emphasis on underserved populations in VT and NH. Bi-State works with federal, state, and regional health policy organizations and policymakers, foundations, and payers to develop strategies, policies, and programs that promote and sustain community-based, primary health care services.

With offices in Bow, NH, and Montpelier, VT, Bi-State provides strategic advocacy, technical assistance, education and training, networking opportunities, and resource and information services.

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