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The **deadline** for the next MPHA Enews is **Thursday, July 12th** the July 13th issue. **There will be no issue of MPHA Enews the week of July 3rd.**

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Learning Opportunities

Announcing: 2007 National Health Literacy Institute

2007 National Health Literacy Institute is the premier opportunity to learn plain language skills to plan, write, and design effective, accessible information for print and web. This Institute has been sponsored by the University of New England in Maine for the past 15 years.

See: www.HealthLiteracyInstitute.net

The 2007 Fall Institute will be held October 28-31 in Freeport, Maine -home to LL Bean and shopping outlets as well as the natural wonders of the Atlantic Ocean and scenic parks. Freeport is just 20 minutes from downtown Portland Maine-a lively, walkable, destination city.

All details and registration information are at this website: www.HealthLiteracyInstitute.net Need personal assistance? Contact Sue Stableford, Director, at: ssableford@une.edu

The Institute is limited to 30 participants, so register soon to hold your place.

March of Dimes Maine Chapter and Maine's Perinatal Outreach Education Program Present: Maternal and Infant Mortality Review: Why, How, and Why Now

Russell S. Kirby, PhD, MS, FACE, Professor, Department of Maternal and Child Health, School of Public Health, University of Alabama at Birmingham

This lecture will provide a broad clinical and public health context for primary prevention of maternal and infant mortality. We will explore current trends, patterns of race/ethnic and social disparities, and limitations of existing data sources. Participants will learn how and why to complete cause of death certification correctly, and how the data is used to guide maternal and infant death prevention activities.

The structure and functioning of effective mortality review programs will be examined, and the lecture will conclude with recommendations for the implementation of new local and statewide maternal, fetal, and infant mortality review programs.

CMMC, Lewiston- Wednesday, August 15, 2007 from noon to 1 PM. RSVP to Maryann Mason at 795-7178 or masonmar@cmhc.org. For directions, go to www.cmmc.org/patient-map.html. Presentation will be held in Conference Room A/B of the 12 High Street building.

EMMC, Bangor-Thursday, August 16, 2007 from 9 to 10 AM. Please RSVP to Heidi Thompson at hthompson@emh.org. You can also talk to Heidi about video conferencing and she will be able to assist with that option.

MMC, Portland-Friday, August 17, 2007 from 8 to 9 AM, Combined OB and Pediatric Grand Rounds. Classroom 7, Dana Education Center. No RSVP required.

*In addition to the above hospitals, support provided by Division of Family Health, Maine CDC, Department of Health & Human Services

Intensive Learning for Aspiring Meeting Facilitators

3-Day Meeting Facilitation Workshop

If you have some meeting facilitation experience but want to attain the next level of skilled meeting facilitation, consider this workshop. This promises to be an extraordinary learning experience in a terrific setting led by Craig Freshley.

Limited to just eight people, we will explore theory of all aspects of meeting facilitation and we will apply what we learn. We will learn specific techniques for a variety of situations. We will learn and practice some team building exercises. An important aspect of the workshop is that each participant will facilitate in front of the group and we will learn from each other.

Dates

--Monday, September 17, 2007, 9:00am-5:00pm

--Tuesday, September 18, 2007, 12:00noon-9:00pm

--Wednesday, September 19, 2007, 9:00am-6:00pm

Full participation is expected.

Setting

All three days of the workshop will be held in Room 316 of the Portland Public Library in Portland, Maine.

Healthy meals and delicious abundant snacks will be provided on site throughout the workshop.

The all inclusive price for instruction, handouts, teaching materials, lunch, and snacks for three days is just \$700 per person.

Please Call or Write with Questions

Don't hesitate to call or write to Craig with questions about the retreat. He can be reached at 207-729-5607.

Health, Culture and Literacy: Solutions for Clear Health Communication

Nearly half of all Americans have trouble understanding and acting on health information, resulting in poor outcomes and billions of wasted dollars. Learn about practical strategies and tools for use in primary care, community health, and other settings. Health, Culture and Literacy: Solutions for Clear Health Communication – A one-day conference on Friday, October 26, 2007 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Freeport, Maine. Keynote by Anne Fadiman, New York Times bestselling author of "The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down." Learn from local, regional, and national experts about the latest research on adult literacy in the US; the best new tools; making your organization patient/consumer friendly; connecting with new cultures, and more. Continuing education credits and scholarships available. Sponsored by MaineHealth and numerous partners. FMI, visit www.healthliteracyinmaine.org

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New Resources from the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center

The National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center (OHRC) is pleased to announce the availability new resources.

--Oral Health Resource Bulletin: Volume XVII lists recently produced materials for health professionals, educators, program administrators, and others working to improve the oral health of infants, children, adolescents, and their families in communities across the country. These materials address topics including oral health services for children with special health care needs, access to care, periodontal health and birth outcomes, early childhood caries, Head Start, and Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program. This document's URL is:

<http://www.mchoralhealth.org/PDFs/ResBltnXVII.pdf>.

--Research to Policy and Practice Forum: Periodontal Health and Birth Outcomes-Summary of a Meeting of Maternal, Child, and Oral Health Experts summarizes the presentations of commissioned background papers and other topics, as well as workgroup discussions from the forum held on December 11-12, 2006 in Washington, DC. The meeting was convened by the Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA's) and Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), to address the relationship between periodontal health and birth outcomes. The summary is divided into the four sections: Summary of Presentations, Future Directions for Policy and Programming, Future Directions for Research, and Closing Remarks and Next Steps. An appendix includes the forum agenda and participant list. The presenters' slides and other relevant resources are available on OHRC's Web site at

<http://www.mchoralhealth.org/Materials/Multiples/PerioForum>.

--Seal America: The Prevention Invention, 2nd Edition, an online manual designed to assist health professionals in initiating and implementing a school-based dental sealant program to prevent tooth decay in children. The online manual, prepared by Nancy Carter with the assistance of the American Association for Community Dental Programs and the National Maternal and Child Oral Health Resource Center, provides practical guidance for individuals who wish to start a school-based dental sealant program

Web-based Mobile-Portable Dental Manual

ASTDD and the MCHB National Oral Health Resource Center are pleased to announce the launch of the Web-based Mobile-Portable Dental Manual. The manual contains five chapters.

This manual is a companion manual to the online Safety Net Dental Clinic Manual, <http://www.dentalclinicmanual.com> that covers considerations for fixed dental clinic sites that are not private practices. Users are referred or linked to information in the Safety Net Manual that applies to basic principles of designing, staffing, operating and financing dental care systems no matter what type of delivery system is used, thus avoiding unnecessary duplication. In the same manner, portions of the Safety Net Dental Clinic Manual are linked to the Mobile-Portable Manual. Content in both manuals will be updated on a quarterly basis.

The manual can be accessed online at:

<http://www.mobile-portabledentalmanual.com>.

Perfluorinated Compounds

The relevant documentation for Perfluorinated compounds is at:

http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nhanes/nhanes_03_04/l24pfc_c.pdf

Please share this information with others who may have a use for it. Note that this data set can be linked to others in the NHANES system to obtain data that connects health status measures with levels of this and other chemicals for hundreds of individuals. So

it is possible to look not only at the levels but at some information that could suggest associations with health damage.

Save the Date! Stroke Care in Maine

Please join us for "Stroke Care in Maine," on Monday, September 17 at the Holiday Inn by the Bay, Portland or by teleconference at the following locations: Calais Regional Hospital, Cary Medical Center-Caribou, Millinocket Regional Hospital, or Stephens Memorial Hospital-Norway.

Keynote Speaker: Lee Schwamm, MD, FAHA—Director of Tele-Stroke and Acute Stroke Services, Massachusetts General Hospital and Associate Professor of Neurology, Harvard Medical School.

Detailed conference Information available at:

<http://www.mcd.org/registrations.asp>

On-line Registration available at:

<http://www.mcdregistration.org/signup.asp?ID=23>

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