Community Connects 11-19-2021

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LA County Health Services is proud to share Community Connects, a newsletter to share helpful information to our valued partners in the community. As you work to protect our diverse and most highly impacted communities from COVID-19, we will regularly provide you with updates, information and resources.

We appreciate your continued partnership and efforts!

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CELEBRATING NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

Our Los Angeles County Native American and Indigenous communities remain resilient. Several of our Health Services COVID-19 Community Equity Fund local Native organizations, including the California Native Vote Project and Pueblo Cultural Community Services, came together to create this PSA to motivate, uplift, and highlight our community members. We encourage everyone to learn more about local tribal histories and support ongoing organizing campaigns.

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TRANS DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

November 20th is Transgender Day of Remembrance. We honor those who’ve lost their lives to anti-transgender violence and discrimination. We thank all the organizations in LA County advocating for the Transgender Community.

We thank all organizations in LA County advocating for the Transgender Community. Take action and learn more about local Transgender advocacy organizations that are partnering with Health Services: TransLatin@ Coalition and Gender Justice LA.

Image courtesy of TransLatin@ Coalition

LA County Health Services offers transgender & gender management services. Gender affirmation services include:

- Hormones for transgender and nonbinary people
- PrEP and PEP for prevention of HIV infection
- Affirming space for routine screenings
- Puberty suppression for transgender and nonbinary youth
- Coordination with mental health providers
- Surgical options

For more Information, call (844)-804-0055 or visit us at Health Service

COVID-19 UPDATES: HOLIDAY SAFETY MESSAGE

Get tested for COVID-19 before joining others this holiday. This extra layer of precaution is a good idea if you are gathering with people who are at high risk of severe illness from COVID, especially if you or others at the gathering are not fully vaccinated or have been in crowded indoor places in the past two weeks.

Click on the image for more ideas on how to reduce your risk of COVID-19 while celebrating with family and/or friends. Find a testing site near you, covid19.lacounty.gov/testing.

For vaccine information, visit VaccinateLACounty.com

ONE DEGREE - COMMUNITY RESOURCES NEAR YOU

With the holiday season, LA County Department of Health Services would like to highlight One Degree as a valuable resource for your local community.

Find over 26,000 free, up-to-date empowering resources on food, housing, childcare, immigration, and more.

Visit 1degree.org to find resources you can share with community members family and friends.

GET BACK TO CARE

November is Diabetes Awareness Month.

As we continue to recover from COVID-19 Health Services wants to encourage LA County residents to get back to care. Call your doctor to schedule an appointment. If you need help finding a doctor, call 2-1-1 or visit Health Services to find a doctor.

Get back to care at Health Services, click here.
LA TIMES HIGHLIGHTS LA COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES LEGAL CLINICS

At this L.A. County health center, a lawyer is just what the doctor ordered. Attorney Sheyda Joosharzadeh, left, and paralegal Alejandra Patián, center, provide legal services to Olga Sanchez at the legal aid clinic located inside Martin Luther King Jr. Outpatient Center. Read more.

LA County Health Services offers its patients free legal help on evictions, access to public benefits, unemployment and more. Learn more: Medical Legal Partnerships.

DHS UPDATES: MOBILE TESTING FLYERS

COVID-19 mobile testing units are available in your community, in addition to regular sites. Customize testing flyers for your area, click here for more details.

LA COUNTY HELPFUL RESOURCES:

- Community Vaccine Resource Page
- COVID-19 Testing
- Vaccine Locator Tool
- COVID-19 Resources for Parents and Guardians (Spanish: ph.lacounty.gov/covidinfopadres)
- Holiday Guidance

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