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NOTE TO OUR READERS

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Hispanic Employee Organization (HEO) proudly presents the Inaugural Issue of **HHS-HEO Boletín** – a monthly publication that highlights events, news, initiatives, employee profiles, and other related information to the HEO Community.

On Thursday, September 22nd, the 2016 HHS Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration takes place at 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD (“Parklawn”), from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. This year, the Event is being presented in collaboration with ACF, ACL, AHRQ, CMS, FDA, HRSA, IHS, NIH, OMH, PHS, PSC, SAMHSA, and HHS Employee Resource Groups (ERGs), including HOLA FDA and the HRSA Hispanic ERG. It will also be live-streamed throughout the nation for colleagues who cannot be present at Parklawn. It is recommended to RSVP, should you plan to attend in person. For more information, please see page 2.

Each year Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month, from September 15 to October 15, in recognition of Hispanic/Latino contributions, culture, traditions, and history in our great nation. This tradition started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week, under President Johnson. Thirty years later, the commemorative week was expanded by

President Regan to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402.



September 15 was chosen as starting point of Hispanic Heritage Month due to its significance. It is the anniversary of independence of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Moreover, on September 16 and September 18, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days, respectively.

Further, Columbus Day or Día de la Raza, which celebrates the long and important presence of Hispanics in North America, also falls within this 30 day period.

Want to get more involved in the HHS-HEO?

E-mail Duilio Correa, President, HHS-HEO, at: Duilio.correa@hhs.gov.

*******SAVE-THE-DATES*******

HHS HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH CELEBRATION

Thursday, September 22, 2016
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

5600 Fishers Lane
Conference Room 5A-03/04
Rockville, MD 20857

RSVP (in-person attendance):
<http://2016hhs-hhm.eventbrite.com>

REMOTE:
<http://services.choruscall.com/links/hrsa160922>

OPENING REMARKS
Mary Wakefield, PHD, RN
Acting Deputy Secretary, U.S. Department of Health
and Human Services

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
Victor Mendez, MBA
Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation

E-mail Jackie Calix at jcalix@hrsa.gov or Duilio Correa
at Duilio.correa@hhs.gov, for more information.

HHS-HEO HAPPY HOUR AT GUAPO'S

Thursday, September 22, 2016

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

8130 Wisconsin Ave., Bethesda, MD 20814



LATIN AMERICAN FILM FESTIVAL AT AFI



The 27th American Film Institute Latin American Film Festival – one of DC’s top cultural events – will showcase the best Latin American films. It will include a number of international films festival favorites, local box office hits and award winners, and will debut works by promising talents. The Festival will also feature films from Spain and Portugal to celebrate Ibero-American cultural connections.

FILMS BY COUNTRY

Argentina

Eva Doesn't Sleep
My Friend from the Park
One Night of Love

Bolivia

Sealed Cargo (2016)

Brazil

Neon Bull
Nise: The Heart of Madness
Cinema Novo
Kill Me Please
Aquarius (2016)

Chile

Much Ado about Nothing (2016)
Rara
Neruda (2016)

Colombia

Land and Shade
Between Sea and Land
Oscuro Animal

Cuba

The Companion (2015)

Dominican Republic

La Gunguna

Ecuador

Take Me for a Ride

El Salvador

The Room of Bones

Guatemala

Hunting Party (2015)

Mexico

I Promise You Anarchy
Desierto
Mr. Pig

Panama

Salsipuedes (2016)

Paraguay

Guaraní

Peru

Rosa Chumbe
Magallanes

Portugal

John From

Spain

Truman
The Apostate
The Olive Tree (2016)

Uruguay

Clever

U.S., Puerto Rico and the World

The Vessel (2016)
The Rolling Stones Olé Olé Olé!:
A Trip Across Latin America
Los Sures
Landfill Harmonic

Venezuela

El Amparo

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THE HHS TALENT ACQUISITION DIVISION IS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD PEOPLE!



The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is committed to creating a work environment that fosters appreciation and mutual respect for each and every employee and is reflective of the diverse populations it serves. To that end, the Talent Acquisition Division (TAD), a component of the Office of Human Resources, is launching the **HHS Volunteer Recruiter Program!**

As a VRP member, you will assist HHS recruiters in enlisting talented individuals from all backgrounds and disciplines to careers in the Department, and promoting diversity within the HHS workforce, particularly in mission-critical occupations. As a volunteer recruiter, you will do this by:

- Becoming a brand ambassador of the “One HHS” concept;
- Sharing information with the public about the HHS mission, locations, offices and agencies, and occupations;
- Addressing the federal job application knowledge gap through an explanation of the process;
- Fostering an interest in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, medicine and health (STEMM-H) at the K-16 levels to strengthen and promote the STEMM-H education-to-career pipeline;
- Providing subject-matter expertise and first-person narratives around your specific discipline and occupation; and
- Enlisting talented individuals from all backgrounds and fields of study to careers in the agency.

Questions? Need more information? Feel free to contact us at Recruiter@HHS.gov or 202-260-6547.

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SPOTLIGHT: Luis Padilla, MD, FAAFP



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Dr. Luis Padilla is the associate administrator for health workforce at the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). He also serves as director of the National Health Service Corps (NHSC). HRSA is an agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

Working in partnership with states and numerous national and local organizations, HRSA uses its \$10.3 billion annual budget to strengthen the health care workforce, build healthy communities, increase health equity, and provide health care and support services to people who are geographically isolated, economically or medically vulnerable, or live in a health professional shortage area.

BHW aims to better meet the need for a well-trained, well-distributed 21st century workforce by strengthening the health workforce and connecting skilled professionals to communities in need. With an annual appropriation of more than \$1.1 billion, the bureau administers over 40 workforce programs with a staff of more than 450 people.

BHW improves access to quality health care by developing, distributing, and retaining a diverse and culturally competent health workforce. The bureau

supports the health care workforce across the entire training to service continuum – from academic training of nurses, physicians, and other clinicians to clinicians currently providing health care in underserved and rural communities across the United States.

Dr. Padilla was appointed associate administrator for health workforce in May 2016 and previously served as deputy associate administrator. He also serves as director of the National Health Service Corps, BHW's largest program, with a budget of approximately \$287.3 million in FY15 and field strength of more than 9,600 clinicians nationwide.

Prior to joining BHW, Dr. Padilla was senior health policy advisor to the CEO of Unity Health Care in Washington, D.C., a federally qualified health center network with over 100,000 patients. He also served as Unity's research director and sought academic partnerships with an emphasis on community-based participatory research.

A committed advocate for the underserved, Dr. Padilla is a former NHSC Scholar who completed his service at Upper Cardozo Health Center, where he became the medical director. He was also appointed to the National Advisory Council of the NHSC from 2007 to 2010.

A board certified family physician, Dr. Padilla received a Bachelor of Arts in philosophy and a Bachelor of Science in biology from the University of California at Irvine. He earned his medical degree from Wake Forest School of Medicine and completed his family medicine residency at Brown University.

SUMMARY OF EVENTS

Wednesday, September 14, 2016:

CMS Latinx ERG will host its first meeting at 12 noon EST. For more information, contact [Jeannette Contreras](#).

Wednesday, September 14, 2016:

CMS InsureKidsNow.gov will be hosting a webinar at 2:00 p.m. focused on best practices for enrolling Latino children and families in Medicaid/CHIP

Thursday, September 15, 2016:

HHS-HEO General Meeting. 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Hubert H. Humphrey Building Rm. 325-A, Washington, DC.
Call-In number: (712) 775-7031 (Access code: 846-782)

Wednesday, September 21, 2016:

DAY-TO-DAY D&I: "Lunch & Learn" Series, Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR), 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. EST.
Call-In: 1-800-857-0127 (Access code: 7682500) **Remote:** <https://hhs.adobeconnect.com/adr2016/>
RSVP: <https://community.max.gov/x/2YyPQw>

Thursday, September 22, 2016:

2016 HHS Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration: 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD, 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. EST.

Thursday, September 22, 2016:

HHS-HEO Networking at Guapo's in downtown Bethesda, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. EST.

Wednesday, September 28, 2016:

CMS' Coverage to Care Health Insurance Education Initiative webinar in Spanish at 3:00 p.m. EST, focused on sharing resources for bilingual outreach.

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For more information, visit: <http://www.hhsheo.org/>