

The Acombasket Newsletter of United Indian Health Services, Inc. "Healthy mind, body, and spirit for generations of our American Indian Community." Volume 40, No. 4 Oct/Nov/Dec 2018 Welcome Home!!! **Addiction Help** Help us, help you, help your family **Farmers Market**

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Potawot Health Village Farmers Market



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UIHS Board of Directors * 2018

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(Pictured bottom row from left to right)

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UIHS Clinic Hours

\ \	Potawot (Arcata) For an appointment call:	Monday-Friday Pharmacy Monday	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. y - Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:30		12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.
t	All Other Services	(707) 825-5000	Pharmac	V	(707) 825-5020
	Behavioral Health	(707) 825-5060	Purchase	ed Referred Care	(707) 825-5080
N	Community Health	(707) 825-5070	Toll-free i	number	1-800-675-3693
7	Dental	(707) 825-5040	Vision		(707) 825-4129
5	Medical	(707) 825-5010	WIC		(707) 822-9900
>	Nutrition	(707) 825-5070			
	Taa-'at-dvn	Monday-Friday	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Closed for lunch 1	12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

(Crescent City) Monda

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.r For an appointment call: (707) 464-2750 Closed for lunch 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. WIC-Crescent City (707) 822-9900

(Elk Valley)

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For an appointment call: (707) 464-2919

Closed for lunch 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Toll-free number 1-800-293-2919

Tish-non (Bear River)

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For an appointment call: (707) 725-7988

Closed for lunch 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. WIC-Fortuna (707) 822-9900

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For an appointment call: (707) 725-7988

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For an appointment call: (707) 487- 0215

8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed for lunch 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. call: (707) 725-7988 WIC-Klamath (707) 822-9900 S:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closed for lunch 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Xaa-wan'-k'wvt (Smith River)

Monday, Thursday, Friday 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. For an appointment call: 530-625-4300

Closed for lunch 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Weitchpec (Weitchpec)

Anonymous Syringe "Points" Exchange

OB Care and Same Day Access Care 1st and 4th Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

WIC-Weitchpec (707) 822-9900

2nd and 3rd Tuesday 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

WIC-Willow Creek Phone #: 707-822-9900 WIC-I

WIC-Hoopa Phone #: 707-822-9900

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Wilson	Wendy
Shawn	Joyner
Evans	Sarah
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Cultural	Johnson
Resources	Diana
Andre	Zumwalt
Cramblit	Brianne



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Welcome Home!!!



Martin is returning to UIHS from the Santa Monica area. For the past year he worked at an Urgent Care Clinic in Anaheim, California. Previous to that he was employed here from 2011 to 2017. He has worked in most of our clinics but is now full-time in the Fortuna clinic. He has a wide variety of experience from working as a Paramedic, a LVN, RN, and as a Family Nurse Practitioner and Physician's Assistant in the Emergency Room, Urgent Care, and Family Practice.



Heather is also returning to UIHS. A Boston born local with two kids one seven the other six who have been living on the east coast for the last couple of years. Heather an avid outdoors women enjoys running, going to the river, walks on the beach and hitting up the local scene with her kids said that "We felt like Humboldt County was home." Heather will be working at both the Potawot and the Tish-non clinics. She looks forward to creating new relationships within the UIHS community.

Cavity-Free Club Submitted by: Meghan McCullough,

Registered Dental Hygienist, UIHS

Call to Make an Appointment

Potowat Health Village at 707-825-5040 Crescent City Clinic at 707-464-2583

Potawot Health Village
Cavity Free Club Members

Hudson Gardner
Tyler Rexford
Malia Lunsford
Mira Martin
Gracelyn Gruetzmacher
Natailly Belle Donahue
Hunter Redhat
Louise Keisner
Sophie Lewis
Elloro Morales Brown
Naomi Heitchler
Naveah Brown
Korek Kuska
Weysenaw Reed
Takeshi Patterson

To become a member of the Cavity Free Club, make an appointment see the hygienist to find out what it takes to become a member of this prestigious club and be cavity free!

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5 Yrs Old

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		Desirae Miller	6 Yrs Old
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	3 Yrs Old	Alexander Hodge Jr	18 Mos Old
	3 Yrs Old	Colton Whipple	4 Yrs Old
	8 Yrs Old	Melinda Osono	3 Yrs Old
	7 Yrs Old	Tishawnik Allen	15 Mos Old
	4 Yrs Old	Clio Saulsbury	7 Yrs Old
	2 Yrs Old	Dakota Farmer	12 Yrs Old
	9 Yrs Old	Parker Roslosnik	3 Yrs Old
	9 Yrs Old	Hazel Marshall	8 Yrs Old
	4 Yrs Old	Autumn Bowie	8 Yrs Old
	2 Yrs Old	Alexander Rodriguez	5 Yrs Old
	7 Yrs Old	Tatiana Ownsbey	10 Yrs Old
	4 Yrs Old	Nickole Epker	8 Yrs Old
	10 Yrs Old	Diane Epker	10 Yrs Old
	10 Yrs Old	Aleyce Marie George	5 Yrs Old
	8 Yrs Old	Raina Palmer	12 Yrs Old

Flu shots

Submitted by: Sandra Jones, Nurse Manager, UIHS



GET YOUR FLU VACCINE! The vaccine has arrived and everyone aged 6 months and up is eligible. We encourage everyone to drop into their clinic of choice and get vaccinated. No appointment necessary. Community Health Workers will also be reaching out to the families they work with and will be present at several upcoming events in order to provide this important service. Whichever way is most convenient, please get immunized.

Adults, don't forget your pneumonia or shingles vaccines as well!

Addiction help

Are you or someone you know living with addiction to heroin or narcotics? The UIHS Suboxone program to assist with recovery is going strong and is starting a second group in Arcata. The program includes medication assisted treatment in combination with intensive counseling and behavioral therapies. This whole-patient approach is a long-term commitment from UIHS to our patients. Those interested in more information should speak with their provider. All self or provider referrals will be followed by an intake and screening process.





Injection drug use carries its own set of health risks. To help reduce some of those risks, UIHS continues to provide needle exchange at two of our sites. Needle exchange occurs on Tuesdays alternating between our Klamath office and the Weitchpec site. Klamath is the 2nd and 4th Tuesday, 10a to 3p. Weitchpec is the 1st and 3rd Tuesday, also 10a to 3p. For any questions about the needle exchange, feel free to contact Stone at 707.825.4124.

Diabetes Awareness Program

Submitted by: Megan Warren, Diabetes Awareness Program, UIHS

The Holiday Season is coming up

Don't let stress and distraction rob you of the joy, magic, and meaning of the holiday season. Now is a great time to start planning your personal strategies to handle holiday stressors and temptations.

Set and communicate comfortable limits for yourself. Decide how involved you will get in the upcoming festivities and share the cooking, shopping, and decorating responsibilities.

Also, decide how accommodating you plan to be. If family is planning to stay with you this doesn't mean you have to cook all of their meals and wash all of their dishes. Decide and communicate your healthy limits to your future guests.

When the days get shorter and the air gets colder we have a tendency to isolate ourselves at home. This can easily lead to feelings of laziness, sluggishness, and difficulty concentrating. Exercising and moving your body is a great remedy! Try dancing with your kids, chair exercises during commercials, walking around while talking on the phone.

The holidays seem to accept and encourage overeating as part of the season's tradition. Take your time and use the A,B,C,D,E method to mindfully enjoy each bite.

Ask yourself: Why am I eating now? What am I eating now? What else am I doing now that may be distracting?

Be grateful. Pause and think about all the people and work it took to produce the food on your plate' the people who planted the seeds, stocked the shelves, prepared the food. Consider the cultural traditions that brought you this food or recipe.

Chew and then chew again. Give your body a chance to catch up to your brain. It takes your body about 20 minutes to notify the brain that it's full.

Dine. Don't just eat. Experience the different tastes, textures, and flavors.

Engage your attention. Avoid distractions. Multitasking and eating makes it harder for your brain to hear the signals from your body.

Don't let your health and wellness goals become a last priority.

Consider checking out classes put on by the UIHS Diabetes Awareness Program to get new ideas or to freshen-up your motivation.

Great American Smokeout

Submitted by: Travis Vale, Health Promotion Education Technician, UIHS

Save the date! November 15th is the 43rd Great American Smokeout. During this day we encourage all individuals who currently smoke to make a commitment and plan to quit. Approximately 40 million American adults smoke, and tobacco use remains the single largest preventable cause of disease and premature death in our country. This could be a great opportunity to put it down for a day, or begin your quit journey! Quitting isn't easy, and often it takes more than one attempt to quit. Participating in the Great American Smokeout is a step toward a healthier life and reducing the risk for cancer linked to tobacco.



Those around you can also be effected by your smoke. Secondhand smoke is toxic to anyone who is exposed. Containing about 7000 chemicals, including hundreds that are toxic, about 70 of which can cause cancer. Any level of exposure to smoke is risky, and it is best to keep your distance from smoking areas.

If you or someone that you know would like more information on quitting please call 1-800-no-butts, or go to the California Smokers' Helpline. Also, please feel free to reach out to our NATIVE Tobacco Project, housed within the Community Health and Wellness Division at

The Fourth Annual Out of the Darkness Walk

Submitted by: Alissa Leigh, Health Promotion Education Project Supervisor, UIHS

On Sunday, September 9th, 2018, 262 community members gathered on the Arcata Plaza for the Fourth Annual Out of the Darkness Walk. This walk is one of many events planned throughout the county for the month of September which is National Suicide Prevention Month. This walk brought together people of all ages and backgrounds impacted by suicide and created a space that encouraged openness and a shift in how we as a community approach mental health issues.

In order to encourage openness and a shift in how we approach suicide prevention. It is imperative that we examine the language that we use to talk about it. Choosing compassionate and accurate language creates a safe and respectful way to talk about suicide openly. When helping those who are having thoughts of suicide or who have lost a loved one we need to remember to be aware of how our words may impact them. To learn more on compassionate and accurate language about suicide, please take a look at the poster below.

Suicide is the most preventable death, yet over 45,000 people die by suicide each year in the United States. If you know someone in crisis who is need of help please call the toll-free National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255), 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. We all can play a role in preventing suicide within our community. For more information please call the Ko'l Ho Koom' Mo (Working Together) Youth Suicide Prevention Project at 707-825-5070.



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Help us, help you, help your family

Enrolling in Medi-Cal or Covered CA has never been easier. Getting started is just a phone call away. As long as you can provide a social security number, your information can be verified by the Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS). There is also an app and a website C4yourself.com. To get started or to get more information contact: United Indian Health Services or Del Norte County DHHS.

Resolve to be Healthy!

Call any UIHS clinic to make an appointment for insurance enrollment and at the same time we can assist you in making a preventive health care appointment! Your health and the health of your family is your responsibility. To find out if you qualify for health coverage or for more information, please call our Member Services Representatives:

•Del Norte – 707-465-2960 •Humboldt – 707-825-4090 •Email: uihs.coverme@crihb.org

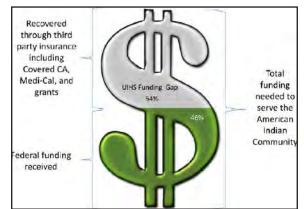


Enroll in health coverage TODAY!

Enrolling in Medi-Cal gives you coverage for CAL-ORE Life Flight emergency air ambulance service. If you don't qualify for Medi-Cal, but enroll in Covered CA at UIHS, UIHS will pay for your first year of CAL-ORE membership. Gain the peace of mind membership provides for you and your family.

How does enrolling benefit UIHS?

The federal funding UIHS receives only pays for 46% of the services we provide to the Indian community. What that means is we only receive 46 cents on every dollar. The rest of the funding comes from grants and our ability to bill health coverages like: Medi-Cal; Covered CA; Medicare; and other private health insurance programs. So please help our clinic and your family by enrolling in health coverage today!



Facts you should know about Covered California

- Some UIHS clients have enrolled in Covered CA and their premiums were only \$1 per month. Your premium is determined by your family size and income.
- When you enroll in Covered CA through UIHS, we will pay for Cal-Ore Life Flight for one year.
- Indians enrolled in a federally recognized tribe can enroll in Covered CA any time during the year.
- Non federally recognized Indians and non-Indians can only enroll during the open enrollment period: November 1, 2018 through January 31, 2019

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Open Enrollment Coming Soon!!

Covered CA

November 1 to January 31

Medical, Dental and Vision insurance plans are available.

American Indian / Alaska
Natives can enroll in Covered
CA at any time. However,
Covered CA open enrollment is
when non-Indians who need
insurance cannot be denied by
a health plan and many may
qualify for subsidized health
insurance for the upcoming
year!



Medicare Part D

October 15 to December 7

Prescription drug insurance plans are available.

Medicare Part D is available to clients who are already enrolled with Medicare.

UIHS can assist you with the application process. Call today to set up an appointment.
Humboldt County 707-825-4090
Del Norte County 707-465-2960