



State Innovations and Opportunities to  
Improve Health and Well-being:  
*A National Meeting of State Health and  
Human Services Committee Chairs*

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# Strengthening the Legislative Institution



# How NCSL Strengthens Legislatures



## Policy Research

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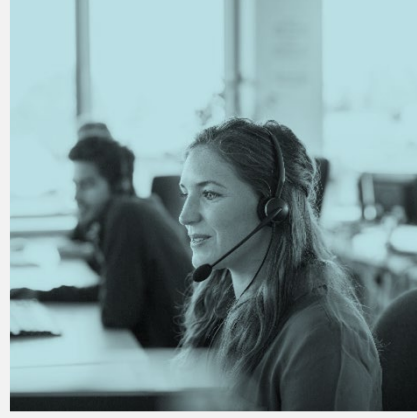
NCSL provides trusted, nonpartisan policy research and analysis



## Connections

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NCSL links legislators and staff with each other and with experts



## Training

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NCSL delivers training tailored specifically for legislators and staff



## State Voice in D.C.

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NCSL represents and advocates on behalf of states on Capitol Hill



## Meetings

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NCSL meetings facilitate information exchange and policy discussions

# NCSL Leadership and Officers



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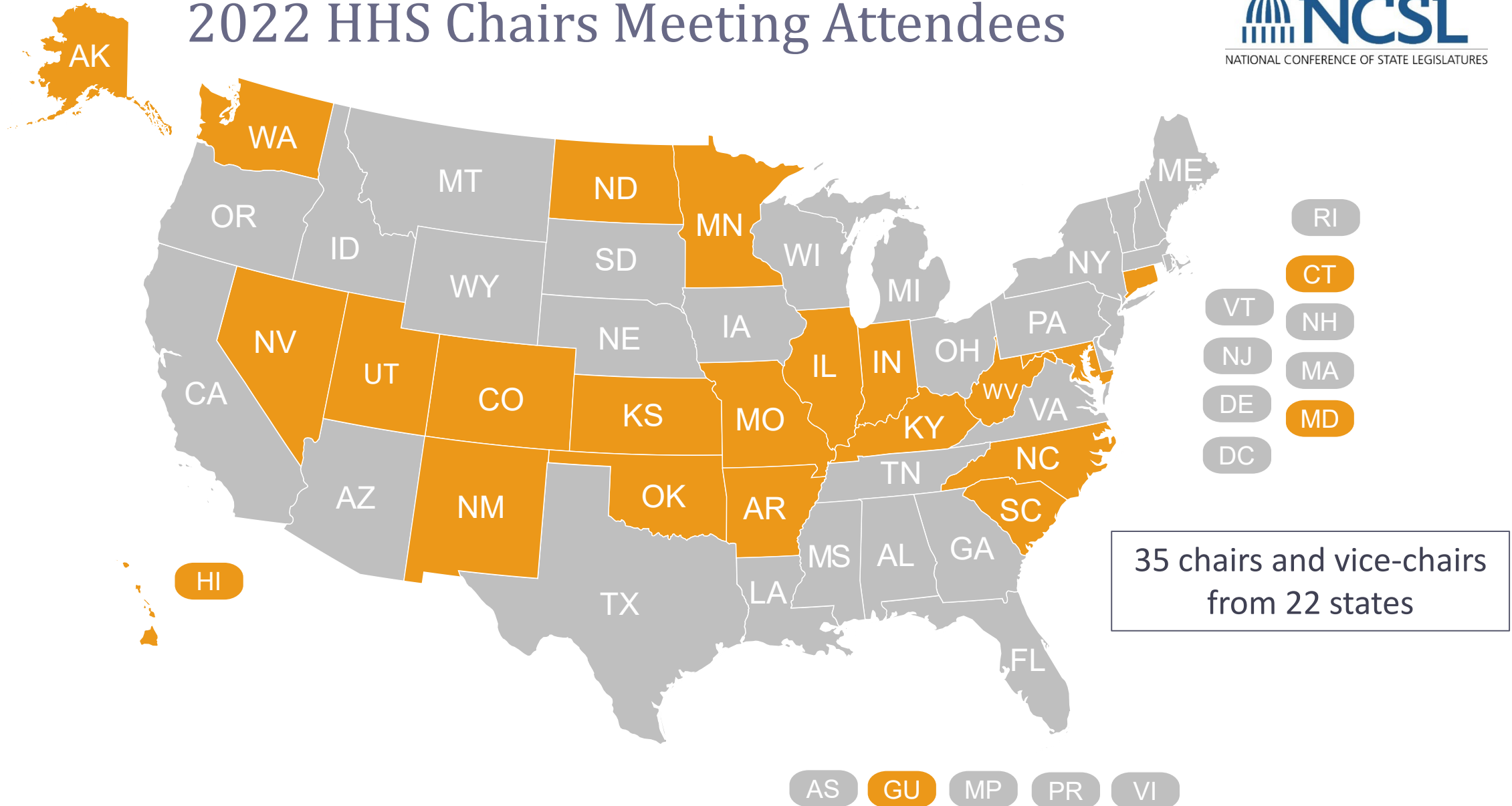
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WHO is in  
the room?

# 2022 HHS Chairs Meeting Attendees



## What an Interesting Group!

Author of two books who has traveled to all 50 states in less than a year

Great grandparent

An attorney AND a physician

Former owner of a cheese shop (yum!)

First Asian American to serve in their state legislature

Served in both the House and Senate of their state legislature





# 2022 Meeting of State HHS Committee Chairs

## Meeting Objectives

### Build

Build knowledge of health and human services issues related to behavioral health.

### Exchange

Exchange policy options, successes and challenges of respective state efforts.

### Foster

Foster connections among peer legislators, NCSL staff and national experts.

### Consider

Consider how to apply what is learned here back home.





Aug. 1-3 | [NCSL.org/Summit2022](https://NCSL.org/Summit2022)

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- Learn about NCSL trainings
- Subscribe to policy newsletters
- Read State Legislatures magazine
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- Listen to “Our American States” podcast
- Watch recorded policy webinars and training sessions
- Attend a meeting or training
- Follow @NCSLorg on social media



# Thank You to Our Meeting Sponsor

- NCSL appreciates the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) for their support of this meeting.
- Welcome Kim Patton, PsyD!







# 2022 National Meeting of Health and Human Services Chairs

## National Conference of State Legislatures

### HRSA Update – Behavioral Health

*June 6, 2022*

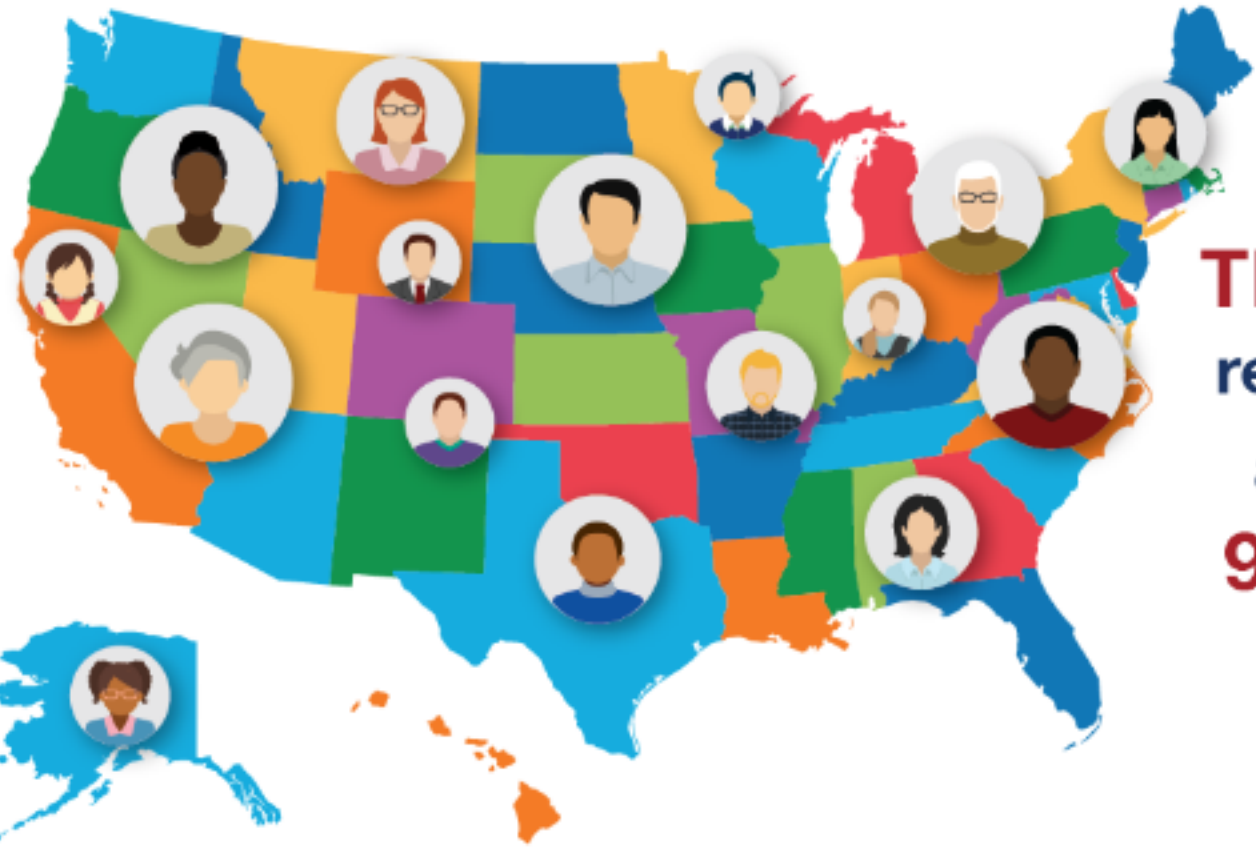
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**Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People**



# Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

## Overview



**TENS OF MILLIONS** of Americans receive quality, affordable health care and other services through HRSA's **90-PLUS PROGRAMS** and more than **3,000 GRANTEES**.



# Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

## Vision

Healthy Communities, Healthy People

## Mission

To improve health outcomes and achieve health equity through access to quality services, a skilled health workforce, and innovative, high-value programs.

## Goals

**Goal 1:** Take actionable steps to achieve health equity and improve public health

**Goal 2:** Improve access to quality health services

**Goal 3:** Foster a health workforce and health infrastructure able to address current and emerging needs

**Goal 4:** Optimize HRSA operations and strengthen program engagement



**Carole Johnson**  
Administrator





# HRSA IEA Core Functions

## External Affairs and Outreach

- Amplify and expand knowledge about HRSA programs, funding opportunities, and initiatives to increase access to care
- Manage National Organizations of States and Local Officials (NOSLO) Cooperative Agreement

## Strategic Stakeholder Partnerships

- Engage federal, state, local, and tribal partners to advance HHS and HRSA priorities and take strategic action

## National and Regional Surveillance

- Report critical ground-level trends across federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial levels
- Inform HRSA's operations, decision-making, and allocation of resources.

## Regional Management

- Manage HRSA's regional human capital, technology, and facilities across 12 locations

Serves as the principal Agency lead on intergovernmental and external affairs, regional operations, and tribal partnerships



# Benefits of HRSA's Regional Presence

- Linkage to local and state-level partners
- Leverage state and federal resources
- Local representation, customer service support, and triage
- Rapid response to crisis
- Seamless participation and execution of HHS/HRSA initiatives
- Intel from the field to HRSA Headquarters
- Disseminate HRSA information to the field



# HRSA – Behavioral Health Priorities

- President Biden’s National Strategy to Address Our Mental Health Crisis
- Integrated Behavioral Health and Primary Medical Care
  - Integrated, Interdisciplinary, Whole-Person Care
- Substance Use Disorders/Drug Overdose
- Behavioral Health Workforce
  - Education and training; Providers in underserved areas; Provider resilience
- Maternal and Pediatric Behavioral Health
- Rural Behavioral Health
- Telebehavioral Health





# HRSA – Behavioral Health Programs

## Primary Care

- Health Center Program
- Supplemental Funding to support behavioral health services
- Workforce

## Maternal and Child Health Care

- Pediatric Mental Health Care Access Program
- Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting Program
- Screening and Treatment for Maternal Depression and Related Behavioral Disorders Program
- Bright Futures Guidelines for Health Supervision of Infants, Children, and Adolescents



# HRSA – Behavioral Health Programs

## Healthcare Workforce

- Health professional training programs (Graduate Psychology Education Program, Addiction Medicine Fellowship, Community Health Worker Training Program, Area Health Education Centers)
- Connecting skilled professionals to communities in need: Scholarship and loan repayment programs (National Health Service Corps, Nurse Corps)
- Workforce stress, burnout, and resiliency (Health and Public Safety Workforce Resiliency Training Program)

## Rural Health

- Rural Communities Opioid Response Program (RCORP)
- Rural Veterans Health Access Program
- Evidence-Based Tele-Behavioral Health Network Program



# HRSA – Behavioral Health Data

## Health Center Data – Uniform Data System (UDS)

<https://data.hrsa.gov/tools/data-reporting/program-data>

- Depression Screening and Follow-up
- Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)
- Number of providers with a DATA waiver to provide MAT services
- Number of patients who receive MAT for opioid use disorder

## data.HRSA.gov

- Grantees, workforce data, mental health shortage areas, and more

## Behavioral Health Workforce Research Center:

<https://www.behavioralhealthworkforce.org/>

- Scopes of Practice Characteristics
- SOP State Comparison





# HRSA – Behavioral Health Data

The screenshot shows the homepage of data.HRSA.gov. At the top, there is a header for the Health Resources & Services Administration with the logo. Below this is the site name 'data.HRSA.gov' and a search bar with a magnifying glass icon and a link to 'A-Z Index'. A dark blue navigation bar contains the following menu items: 'Find Health Care', 'Data', 'Maps', 'Tools', 'Topics', and 'Help', each with a downward arrow. The main content area features the heading 'Explore Data and Maps on HRSA's Health Care Programs' and six interactive buttons: 'Find a Health Center' (with a building icon), 'Explore Maps' (with a location pin icon), 'Query Data' (with a network icon), 'Find Shortage Areas' (with a medical bag icon), 'View HRSA Fact Sheets' (with a document icon), and 'Download Data' (with a download icon). Below these buttons is a dark blue section with three statistics: 'More than 16,000 health professionals providing care through the National Health Service Corps in FY 2020', 'More than 57,000,000 people supported by Federal Office of Rural Health Policy programs in FY 2020', and 'An estimated 60,000,000 people (including pregnant women, infants, children, and children with special needs), and their families in the United States benefitted from a Title V supported service in FY 2019.' The HRSA logo is in the bottom right corner.

Health Resources & Services Administration

data.HRSA.gov

Search  A-Z Index

Find Health Care ▾ Data ▾ Maps ▾ Tools ▾ Topics ▾ Help ▾

## Explore Data and Maps on HRSA's Health Care Programs

- Find a Health Center
- Explore Maps
- Query Data
- Find Shortage Areas
- View HRSA Fact Sheets
- Download Data

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# HRSA – Behavioral Health Data

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ABOUT US ▾ PROJECTS PUBLICATIONS DATA PRESENTATIONS TRAINING RESOURCES 🔍

## Investing In A 21st Century Health Workforce: A Call For Accountability

Strengthening the public health workforce through access to care and accountability.

[READ JOURNAL ARTICLE](#)





# HRSA – Behavioral Health Websites and Resources

- HRSA Behavioral Health Webpage:**  
<https://www.hrsa.gov/behavioral-health>
- HRSA Behavioral Health and Primary Care Integration**  
<https://bphc.hrsa.gov/technical-assistance/clinical-quality-improvement/behavioral-health-primary-care-integration>
- HRSA Integrated Behavioral Health Resource Library:**  
<https://www.hrsa.gov/behavioral-health/library>
- HRSA Maternal and Child Health: Mental and Behavioral Health:**  
<https://mchb.hrsa.gov/programs-impact/focus-areas/mental-behavioral-health>
- Caring for Women with Opioid Use Disorder: A Toolkit for Organization Leaders and Providers:** <https://www.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/hrsa/Caring-for-Women-with-Opioid-Disorder.pdf>
- HRSA Behavioral Health Workforce Research Center:**  
<https://www.behavioralhealthworkforce.org/>



# Substance Use Warmline & Maternal Hotline

**Substance Use Warmline  
Peer-to-Peer Consultation  
Monday – Friday, 9am – 8 pm ET  
1.855.300.3595**

<http://nccc.ucsf.edu/clinical-resources/substance-use-resources/>



**1-833-9-HELP4MOMS – National Maternal  
Mental Health Hotline**

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**24/7, Free, Confidential Hotline for Pregnant and New  
Moms in English and Spanish**

<https://mchb.hrsa.gov/national-maternal-mental-health-hotline>



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# Rural Health Information Hub (RHIhub)

## □ RHIhub - Nation's rural health information source

- Library of resources
- State guides
- **Toolkits:** Mental Health in Rural Communities, Rural Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD), Prevention and Treatment of Substance Use Disorders in Rural Communities, and Rural Suicide Prevention
- Program models
- Website: <https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/>

## □ Provides customized assistance

- By phone: **1.800.270.1898**
- By email: [info@ruralhealthinfo.org](mailto:info@ruralhealthinfo.org)



### Prevention & Treatment of Substance Use Disorders in Rural Communities Toolkit



Welcome to the Rural Prevention and Treatment of Substance Use Disorder Toolkit. This toolkit provides evidence-based examples, promising models, program best practices, and resources that can be used by your organization to implement substance use disorder prevention and treatment programs.

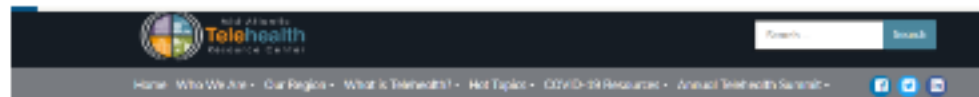




# Telehealth Resource Centers (TRCs)

The National Consortium of Telehealth Resource Centers (NCTRC) is a collaborative of 12 regional and 2 national TRCs, committed to implementing telehealth programs for rural and underserved communities.

The Telebehavioral Health Center of Excellence is dedicated to providing the most current, vetted, practical information for starting or enhancing telebehavioral or telemental health-related services.



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The most current information in a rapidly evolving market.

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# Other Resources

## Providers Clinical Support System (PCSS)

- Provides training and resources for primary care clinicians on the prevention and treatment of opioid use disorders and treatment of chronic pain. Includes access to coaching and mentoring <https://pcssnow.org/about/>



## AIDS Area Education Centers (AETC)

- Provides targeted, multidisciplinary education and training for health care professionals to provide health care services to people living with HIV (PLWH) <https://aidsetc.org/>

## HRSA IEA Regional Offices

- Serve as a behavioral health resource, promote evidenced-based and promising practices for states, communities, and tribes
- Provide technical assistance, training, and consultation to address regional, state, and local behavioral health issues <https://www.hrsa.gov/about/organization/offices/hrsa-iea>



# Upcoming HRSA Webinar for Healthcare Providers

## *Healthcare Workforce Stress, Burnout, and Resiliency*

**Friday, June 17, 2022**

1:00-2:30pm ET

12:00-1:30pm CT

11:00am-12:30 pm MT

10:00-11:30am PT

*Hosted by HRSA's Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs-Denver*

*This FREE Webinar is designed for healthcare workers, students, trainees, provider organizations, and healthcare settings.*



**To Register:** <https://bit.ly/3lhE7fK>



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