



## Catalyst for Change May 2025

Dear Reader,

Welcome to our May edition of Catalyst for Change! May is [Mental Health Awareness Month](#) and this edition uplifts resources and strategies to increase awareness about mental health and intimate partner violence (IPV).

In addition, [Health Partners on IPV + Exploitation](#) is co-hosting two upcoming webinars: the first will help launch a new eClinicalWorks smart tool on IPV, in collaboration with NACHC's eClinicalWorks User Group; and a second webinar will highlight strategies to support health center patients with limited English proficiency. Learn more below.

### Upcoming Webinar: May 12th- NACHC eClinicalWorks User Group Meeting

[Health Partners on IPV + Exploitation](#) and [eClinicalWorks](#) are excited to launch a new smart tool on IPV for ECW users. The [National Association of Community Health Centers](#) (NACHC) eClinicalWorks User group will detail the new eClinicalWorks smart tool on IPV/HT/E, including sharing information on the evidence-based CUES intervention, documentation, and UDS tie-ins. This session will be held on May 12th at 6:00 AM (HT)/ 9:00 PM (PT)/ 1:00 PM (MT)/ 2:00 PM (CT)/ 3:00 PM (ET).

If you are a part of NACHC's eClinicalWorks User group, you can register for the May 12th session [here](#).

### Upcoming Webinar: May 14th- Supporting Patients with Limited English Proficiency

[Health Partners on IPV + Exploitation](#) will co-host a 60 minute webinar, "Supporting Patients with Limited English Proficiency" in collaboration with [Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Center Organizations \(AAPHCO\)](#) and [National Center for Farmworker Health \(NCFH\)](#) on Wednesday, May 14th at 9:00 AM (HT)/ 12:00 PM (PT)/ 1:00 PM (MT)/ 2:00 PM (CT)/

### Featured Resources

#### [Health, healing, and relationships: You are not alone Safety Card](#)

The *Health, Healing, and Relationships: You Are Not Alone* Safety Card will assist clinical and community support staff to be able to address violence as health issues in the lives of patients/clients living with HIV and decrease barriers to support.

#### [You Matter \(Teen ACES\) Safety Card](#)

*You Matter* is a safety card tool to support teens with histories of Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). It was developed in collaboration with young people, adolescent health providers, and school-based HC staff.

#### [Supporting Survivors of Violence and Abuse in Oral Health Care Settings](#)

*Supporting Survivors of Violence and Abuse in Oral Health Care Settings* includes a patient brochure and educational brief produced by [Health Partners on IPV +](#)

3:00 PM (ET).

This webinar will share the lessons learned and promising practices for supporting patients with limited English proficiency in health centers (HC). Speakers will identify effective strategies and resources for translation and interpretation as well as describe how partnerships between HCs and community-based social service organizations can help address barriers and improve access to care.

To register for the webinar, [click here](#).



[Exploitation](#) in collaboration with the [National Network for Oral Health Access \(NNHOA\)](#) to help patients have comfortable dental visits and know what to expect; and to offer guidance to oral health staff and providers on how to support survivors of IPV.

## National Mental Health Awareness Month

This May, take action, raise your voice, and help change the conversation around mental health. The first designation of [Mental Health Awareness Month](#) occurred in May of 1949 as a week long campaign that eventually was expanded to encompass the entire month. Since the start of the campaign, several laws concerning mental health were passed such as the [Mental Health Study Act of 1955](#) calling for more research into mental illnesses and the [Health Amendments Act of 1956](#) giving the [National Institute on Mental Health](#). Intimate partner violence (IPV) impacts the mental health and well-being of survivors, but health care staff and providers can help make a difference.

To learn more about mental health and IPV, see the following resources:

- [Mental Health Awareness Month | NAMI](#)
  - National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) has a Mental Health Awareness Month Campaign this May titled, “In Every Story, There’s Strength”. NAMI has also compiled a list of materials to share on social media to promote Mental Health Awareness Month. There is also an opportunity for people to share their mental health stories with NAMI.
- [2025 Mental Health Awareness Month Toolkit | SAMHSA](#)
  - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) has created a Mental Health Awareness Month Toolkit with social media shareables, key messages and themes for each week in May, best practices for supportive and beneficial discussion about mental health and more.
- [National Center for Domestic Violence Trauma and Mental Health](#)
  - National Center for Domestic Violence Trauma and Mental Health (NCDVTMH) promotes survivor-defined healing by transforming the

systems that impact survivors of domestic and sexual violence and their families.

- [National Maternal Mental Health Hotline | MCHB](#)
  - National Maternal Health Hotline (1-833-TLC-MAMA) is a free and confidential service offering 24/7 support via call or text to new and expecting mothers and their loved ones.
- [Increasing Health Care Enrollment for Survivors of Domestic Violence – Health Partners on IPV + Exploitation](#)
  - Health Partners on IPV + Exploitation has developed two resources to support health care enrollment for survivors of domestic violence. People who have experienced IPV have unique health care needs and making sure that insurance covers comprehensive medical and behavioral health benefits is critical.
- [Join our award winning efforts in helping to promote the mental health and well-being of our nation's youth! - Team: Changing Minds](#)
  - Team Changing Minds is a partnership between [Futures Without Violence \(FUTURES\)](#), [The National Council for Mental Wellbeing](#), [Big Brothers and Big Sisters of America](#), and [Founding Investor Harry's](#) to educate more trusted adults to recognize the signs if a young person is suffering from mental health challenges and connect them to support.
- [Intimate Partner Violence, Homelessness, and Behavioral Health: A Toolkit for Health Centers – Health Partners on IPV + Exploitation](#)
  - A toolkit by Health Partners on IPV + Exploitation developed in collaboration with [National Health Care for the Homeless Council \(NHCHC\)](#) intended to assist health centers and community-based programs in addressing the connection of IPV and homelessness.
  - [\(Webinar\) Intimate Partner Violence, Homelessness and Behavioral Health: A Toolkit for Health Center and Community Partners – Health Partners on IPV + Exploitation](#)
    - A webinar to accompany the contents of the toolkit

Warmly,

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