Refugee Health Round-up

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) has released the 2017 Health Equity Report. The report presents a comprehensive analysis of HRSA's efforts in reducing health disparities and promoting health equity for various populations at the national, state, and local levels. Trends are presented for program areas such as maternal and child health, primary health care access, health care systems, HIV/AIDS, mental health, chronic disease prevention, and geographic disparities.

E-Course on Vaccine Training for Medical Assistants

There is an understanding that knowledge and skills of entry-level medical assistants widely differ, as there is no standard vaccine training curriculum for Medical Assisting schools. Register and take these courses to learn more about best practices for vaccinations, including storage and handling, locating vaccine schedules, rights of administration, and guidance on how to administer vaccine properly to various populations. This program has been approved by the American Association for Medical Assistants (AAMA) for 1 Clinical CEU, and a certificate will also be provided if you would like to submit to a different professional accrediting body.

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Report: Afghan and Iraqi SIVs
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