PROMOTE TB TESTING

OUTREACH

AWARENESS EDUCATION & Language Access

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TB EDUCATION & TESTING IN THE PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY IN ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS COALITION OF MARSHALLESE
ORGANIZATIONAL BACKGROUND
“INCREASE QUALITY OF LIVES-EDUCATION, HEALTH, LEADERSHIP AND CULTURAL INTEGRITY ”

- 67 Nuclear bombs Testing in the Marshall Islands for over a 12-year period impacted the socioeconomics of the country including health impacts such as cancers, hypertension, Hansen's disease and high incidence of TB. The Marshallese migrate to the United States through the Compact of Free Association (COFA) allowing them to stay in the United State without limitations under a special immigration.

- Marshallese were barred from accessing health programs until December 2020, mostly because the COVID impact pressure. In December 2020, the Medicaid Program was restored and extended to the community. Diabetes and other chronic diseases remain prominent in the community.

- Marshall Islands reported an incidence rate of about 160 new cases of TB per 100,000 persons over a 5-year period (2014-2018)

- ACOM's strength has been the integration of cultural disciplines embedded into programs and services.

- Serve the highest population of Marshallese citizens living in the united states

- One-Stop-Shop provides direct service to all COFA citizens living in Arkansas

- Over 700-1000 visits to the office for services a month. Facebook has a far-reaching audience, over 1000 visitors a month.

- Two nurses/board members with over 25 years of experience work in the PI and LTBI/TB
GOALS/OBJECTIVES

- Increase TB Awareness/Education and testing
- Virtual health education raising awareness about TB in turn increase the number of tests being done in the JBC. In addition, COVID education will be integrated in the TB sessions.
  - Recruitment to big events
  - Referrals to the JBC
- Three nurses, one administrative staff and the Executive Director. Nurse Philmar will focus on COVID and other diseases for the health education events.
  - Challenge: Nurse Philmar’s fund ran out so we really had one nurse instead of 3.

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PARTNER IN THIS PROJECT: JOE BATES CLINIC

TB Program
• 100 tests
• Preventative Treatment
• Treatment

Other Partnership, COVID IMPACT (ACOM,JBC)
• COVID TESTING (Over 120)
• COVID VACCINE/Boosters
  • Two nurses contracted with ACOM
  • ADH is providing the Vaccines
  • Flu Vaccines
• QUARANTINE
YEAR 1

• Activities “normal” outreach
• Used Incentives
• Partner with ADH’s & Board members who are nurses
• Conferences (Women’s Health Day)
• Health Fair events
• Translators for three languages (Marshallese, Chuukese and Kiribati)
• TB was added to COVID Topic via Facebook

YEAR 2

• More Creative grassroot work like Movie Night, Manit Celebration, Coffee Morning
• Incentives
• Partner with AenEmmaan for Transportation
• Hire our own contract nurse
• Separate TB into its own Facebook Show
• Consider the scheduler of CDC to deliver sample.
• Wrap Around services (Food basket, Rent/Bill assistance)
TB TEST & COVID VACCINE/BOOSTER IN YEAR 2—IT IS A MUST
THANK YOU!! KOMMOOL TATA