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2009 Collaboration with Minority Health Coalitions and the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society -- June 10,

2009 Sponsored Understanding Blood Cancers: Challenges, Strategies and Resources for Patients, Family members and Professionals

2009 Collaboration with Minority Health Coalitions—April, 2009 Promoted month long series of events for National Minority Health Awareness Month. Sponsored Health Disparities Luncheon. Norma Olvera, Ph.D. recognized as Outstanding Community Leader.

2009 Collaboration with La Fe Health Policy Group from San Antonio, Texas Supported several Hispanic Health Policy initiatives

2009 Executive Services Corp of Houston (ESCH) The Hispanic Health Coalition continued to work with ESCH to improve the organization's future by conducting an Organizational Capacity Assessment, SWOT analysis and developing a Strategic Plan and Financial Management Policy.

2009 ¡Vive tu vida! Get Up Get Moving –November 7, 2009 The Hispanic Health Coalition, Inc. is planning the 3rd Annual ¡Vive tu vida! Get Up! Get Moving in Houston on Saturday, November 7, 2009, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Mason Park, located in the East End. The event's goal is to raise awareness of the many fun ways to exercise and prevent health conditions for people of all ages. We expect over 2,500 community members at this free event. Activities will include walking, running, golf, stretching, yoga/pilates, baseball, football, soccer, basketball, tennis, rock climbing, biking/bike safety, martial arts, aerobics, salsa dancing, Zumba, cricket, cheerleading, and much more. Boxed lunches and drawings for prizes will also be offered.

2008 ¡Vive tu vida! Get Up Get Moving –November 1, 2008.

The Hispanic Health Coalition, Inc. will host the 2nd Annual ¡Vive tu vida! Get Up! Get Moving in Houston on Saturday, November 1, 2008, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Cossaboon YMCA, located in the East End. The event's goal is to raise awareness of the many fun ways to exercise and prevent health conditions for people of all ages. We expect over 2,500 community members at this free event. Activities will include walking, running, golf, stretching, yoga/pilates, baseball, football, soccer, basketball, tennis, rock climbing, biking/bike safety, martial arts, aerobics, salsa dancing, Zumba, cricket, cheerleading, and much more. Boxed lunches and drawings for prizes will also be offered.

2008 Executive Services Corp of Houston (ESCH)

The Hispanic Health Coalition is working with ESCH to improve the organization's future improving our infrastructure and building capacity. Specifically, the consultant project includes strategic planning; develop systems of financial accountability and transparency and assess staffing models.

2008 The 6th Annual Tri-Caucus Health Summit

The Hispanic Health Coalition joined with other Houston minority coalitions to host the summit and present minority health issues and coalition accomplishments in the Houston area. The 6th Annual Tri-Caucus Health Summit was held in Houston and brought together local communities, health experts and policymakers to learn from regional and local experiences that can inform national health policies and programs. To address shifting national priorities that accompany changes in presidential administrations, the Tri-Caucus Health Summit seeks to build consensus on policies that address health disparities, to develop strategies for advocacy at the federal level, and to engage communities of color in legislative action and outreach.

2007 ¡Vive tu vida! Get Up Get Moving –November 3, 2007.

The Hispanic Health Coalition, Inc. hosted a very successful ¡Vive tu vida! Get Up! Get Moving in

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Houston on Saturday, November 3, 2007, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Mason Park, located in the East End. The event's goal was to raise awareness of the many fun ways to exercise and prevent health conditions for people of all ages. 1,500 community members attended this free event and participated in activity stations for walking, running, golf, stretching, yoga/pilates, baseball, football, soccer, basketball, tennis, rock climbing, biking/bike safety, martial arts, aerobics, salsa dancing, cricket, cheerleading, and much more. Boxed lunches and drawings for prizes were also offered.

2006 Hispanic Health Coalition Celebrates 10 Years of Service

On September 23, 2006, the Hispanic Health Coalition celebrated its 10th anniversary with a luncheon at the Downtown Crowne Plaza Hotel. The event honored founding board members and highlighted the many accomplishments and programs that have occurred throughout the years. Elena Alvarado of the National Latina Health Network served as the keynote speaker for the event. Mr. David Lopez, CEO Harris County Hospital District, was awarded the inaugural "Outstanding Hispanic Community Health Advocate" Award. This award was given to recognize his outstanding service and leadership to Hispanic health issues in our community. Sponsors included, M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, UPS, the American Cancer Society, Occasions & Designs, LLC, and the National Latina Health Network. The event had 200 in attendance.

2006 "Latina Leaders for Health" National Health Summit – Washington DC

The National Latina Health Network (NLHN) convened the "Latina Leaders for Health" National Health Summit in Washington, DC on September 6-8, 2006. Ten members from the Hispanic Health Coalition represented the Southwest Region delegation in this exciting endeavor. The 2006 Health Summit brought together a broad base of Latina Leaders to discuss the state of Latina health care and services in each of their communities. Leaders also discussed ways to advance comprehensive, sound health care policies focusing on practices that would make a meaningful contribution to our nation's health.

2006 Cholesterol Day

National Latina Health Network, AstraZeneca, and the Hispanic Health Coalition sponsored a Hispanic Heart Healthy Day campaign on Saturday, September 23, 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m., at 555 Almeda Mall. Participants received free blood pressure, cholesterol screenings and cardiovascular health education.

2006 "Take It Outside" Walk for a Smoke-free Houston

In partnership with Houston Communities for Safe Indoor Air, the Hispanic Health Coalition is working to save lives in Houston by bringing awareness to the dangers of secondhand smoke. On June 3, 2006, over 200 participants walked at Spotts Park in support of a safe indoor air policy that protects workers and patrons from the deadly carcinogens that are emitted from secondhand smoke.

2006 4th Annual Latino Book & Family Festival – Health Village

The Hispanic Health Coalition provided assistance with organizing health exhibits and volunteers for the festival's health village. Coordinated Medicare information, education and outreach for Medicare Enrollment, in collaboration with National Alliance for Hispanic Health and Medicare Matters. The festival was held at Houston Community College on May 6th and 7th.

2006 Hispanic Heart Healthy Day

National Latina Health Network, AstraZeneca, and the Hispanic Health Coalition sponsored a Hispanic Heart Healthy Day campaign on Saturday, February 25, 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m., at 555 Almeda Mall. Free blood pressure, cholesterol screenings and cardiovascular health education was provided to participants.

2005 - 2006 Cultural Influences of Health Beliefs & Practices

Assist Dr. Cayla Teal with assessing the health &/or social needs of Houston's Hispanic community, promote health advocacy on behalf of and with Houston's Hispanic community and assist with research in the Hispanic community to improve quality of life.

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2005 - 2006 Holy Family Clinic

The Hispanic Health Coalition has adopted the Holy Family Clinic by offering volunteer support. This is a worthwhile effort and we encourage all of our members to volunteer their time when possible. The Holy Family Clinic operates every Thursday evening, 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at 7539 Avenue K (located in the East End, off of 75th street). All services are provided by a doctor and nurses. The clinic sees predominantly Hispanic patients, free of charge, for a variety of health concerns.

2005 Southwest Latina Health Symposium

Hosted symposium in collaboration with National Latina Health Network (NLHN). Served as site coordinator for the Southwest regional symposium. Formulated a local planning committee, coordinated mailings and facilitated conference activities. Over 100 healthcare professionals from across the state attended the conference and contributed to the development of policies for the following health priorities: cancer, cardiovascular, diabetes, HIV/AIDS, mental health, substance/tobacco use, maternal child health.

2004 – 2006 Second hand Smoke Education/Outreach – Houston Communities for Safe Indoor Air (HCSIA)

Founding member of Houston Communities for Safe Indoor Air. Assisted HCSIA with outreach, education and advocacy efforts to the Hispanic community for safe indoor air policies. Provide committee leadership and volunteers

2004 - 2005 La Promesa Project – Medicare Prescription Enrollment

Provided outreach and education to Hispanic Adults (65 years of age & older) and Hispanics with disabilities in the Medicare-Approved Discount Prescription Card. Assisted with enrollment of eligible individuals, in partnership with Holy Family Clinic. Funded by a grant from National Alliance for Hispanic Health

2003-2006 Texas Latinos in Network for Cancer Control (LINCC)

Serve as a Community Advisory member.

2003 Houston-Tampico Sister City Project

Hosted Dr. Gladis Zapién, Director of Mexfam/Tampico on December 13, 2003 for a seminar on Hispanic women's health issues and experiences among disadvantaged patients in the Tampico-Mexico region.

2003 Houston Hispanic Health Symposium

2003 "Creating a Nexus for Hispanic Health: Effectively linking research, public awareness, advocacy, and health policy." Collaborated with the Houston Hispanic Forum. Speakers included Richard H. Carmona, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.C.S., United States Surgeon General, Eduardo J. Sanchez, M.D., M.P.H., Commissioner of Health, Texas Department of Health.

2003 Hepatitis A & B Education Event

Collaborated with Glaxo-Smith Kline to host an educational event on June 10th, 2003 at AAMA building. Program included outreach, education, food, and giveaways.

2003 Minority Health Reception

Hosted joint reception on April 25, 2003 with Asian American Health Coalition, African American Health Coalition and Native American Health Coalition in recognition of National Minority Cancer Awareness Week. Speakers included: Councilmember Shelley Sekula-Gibbs, Dr. Hanson and Dr. Jean Dohls.

2002 - 2003 Houston Hispanic Forum - Career & Education Day

Coordinated speakers for Health Career Panel sessions. Hosted tobacco education booth and provided volunteers.



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2002 - 2003 Tobacco Education Project

Developed community advisory board and disseminated tobacco survey. Submitted surveys to NAHH and a report was formulated for the Houston Hispanic community. Funded by a grant from the National Alliance for Hispanic Health.

2002 Medicaid/CHIP Press Conference

Collaborated with the Children's Defense Fund in organizing a bilingual press conference advocating health for children on February 14th, 2002 at the Gulfton Health Center followed by a sign-up campaign on February 16th.

2002 American Cancer Society Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk

Formed a team of members to walk and raise money for the ACS Houston Metro Market. HHC was a grant recipient of a 2001 "Making Strides" Community Grant.

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2001- 2002 Health & Beauty From The Inside Out

Assisted UTMB with Spanish translation of breast cancer education program. Recruited and trained 45 peer educators, conducted community presentations in partnership with ProSalud.

2001 Hispanic Breast Cancer Dinner

Hosted a free educational dinner at U of H-Hilton Hotel in October. The program included physician speakers and breast cancer survivors. "Mama Ninfa" Lorenzo recognized and spoke about her breast cancer experience

2001 American Heart Association CPR/AED Training

Recruited Hispanic participants/organizations to participate in a City-wide training at Enron Field on June 30th, 2001.

2000 Tobacco Prevention Project

Hired project coordinator to disseminate materials, increase awareness, provide outreach/education to the community, conduct youth-led activities that resulted in a youth bill-board campaign. Funded by a grant from the Harris County Public Health and Environmental Services.

1999 Health Village-National Council of LaRaza (NCLR)

Organized first-ever health village for NCLR Houston conference. Offered health information and free health screening services.