



Engaging Your Local Hep B United Coalition Partner

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- 1. Find out who they are.** Hep B United (HBU) coalition partners are working across the country in 14 states and the District of Columbia to increase hepatitis B awareness, screening, vaccination and linkage to care for Asian American and Pacific Islander and other high-risk communities. Find out which Hep B United partners are working in your area:
 - HBU Fact Sheet: <http://hepbunited.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/HBU-FactSheet.pdf>
 - HBU Local Campaigns: <http://hepbunited.org/local-campaigns>
- 2. Find out what they are doing.** Hep B United develops their strategic plans in alignment with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Action Plan for the Prevention, Care & Treatment of Viral Hepatitis. Their strategic plans respond to priority areas established at the national level and coordinates activities of HBU member coalitions. Learn about current coalition goals and activities in the HBU 2014-2016 Community Strategic Plan: http://hepbunited.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/HBU-Strategic-Plan-2014_2016.pdf
- 3. Ask how you can help.** Local Hep B United coalition members welcome the opportunity to connect with you! Schedule an introductory meeting or phone call and ask how you can help them and how they can help you. Some ideas for collaboration:
 - Share your **resources**:
 - What are current HBV testing, care and treatment resources available to your communities?
 - Are there data-sharing opportunities? HBU partners want to help their state/city improve reporting of HBV infection!
 - Ask about their **current priorities** and how you can support their efforts.
 - Can you co-host or help plan and/or promote an event, training, or webinar? Offer to serve as an expert speaker at their event.
 - HBU has a wealth of culturally and linguistically appropriate HBV resources! Can you swap resources and/or help disseminate materials?
 - HBU partners end up serving as navigators and need advice on a number of public programs. Can you connect them with your perinatal HBV coordinator or other department colleagues?
- 4. Join your local HBU coalition!** This is a simple way to get involved, stay looped into community news, resources and events, and continue to build relationships.

Want more input or have questions about HBU? Contact Kate Moraras at Kate.Moraras@hepb.org or ask a Viral Hepatitis Prevention Coordinator colleague who is involved with Hep B United!

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