



EHR

Electronic Health Records Bulletin

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Happy Easter !

APRIL 2023 REMINDERS & UPDATES

- ❖ The EHR Bulletin can be accessed at any time on the EHR website at: (<http://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/ehr>) by clicking on “Bulletin”.
- ❖ When requesting to add a new Insurance to CureMD, the following information is required:
 - Name of the Company
 - Address
 - Telephone and Fax number
- ❖ When requesting to be granted Inventory Access to CureMD, supervisors must send an email to the EHR/DPH email address for the request specifying the location(s) access is needed.
- ❖ A few revisions have been made in CureMD and on the Encounter Form for DCS visits. The Encounter form was revised on 4/1/2023.

Encounter Form Revisions:

- Under DCS Visits (Only) - 01. STD deleted and **changed to 01. Initial**
- Under DCS Visits (Only) - **Wart Tx Only 81. Tx Female and 82. TX Male removed**
- Under DC - Disease Control on page 2, **#21. Patient Delivered Partner Therapy (PDPT) was added**

CureMD revisions to match the Encounter Form have also been made under Visit for a STD Assessment Record:

- DCS Initial Visit (**the word visit added**)
- DCS Revisit changed to DCS Lab Results Only Revisit (**NOTE: there was not enough character space to change to DCS Lab and Results Only Revisit**)
- The DCS Visit was inactivated
- Under STD Reason for Visit on the DCS note templates, **Vol will be renamed Asymptomatic**

Your major line of communication with EHR and CureMD

APRIL HOLIDAYS & HEALTH OBSERVANCES

- ❖ April Fool's Day, April 1
- ❖ Palm Sunday, April 2
- ❖ Good Friday, April 7
- ❖ World Health Day, April 7
- ❖ Easter Sunday, April 9
- ❖ National Youth HIV and AIDS Awareness Day, April 10
- ❖ Confederate Memorial Day, April 24
- ❖ Earth Day, April 24
- ❖ Administrative Professionals' Day, April 26
- ❖ Alcohol Awareness Month
- ❖ National Child Abuse Prevention Month
- ❖ National Minority Health Month
- ❖ National Public Health Week, April 4-10
- ❖ STD Awareness Week, April 10-16
- ❖ National Infant Immunization Week, April 24-30

ADPH NEWS...SPOTLIGHT

"ODDS ARE ALABAMA" FOCUSES ON FENTANYL DANGERS AND OFFERS RESOURCES

Fentanyl abuse is a crisis nationwide, and the state of Alabama is no exception. Alabama has experienced an alarming increase in the number of fentanyl-related overdose deaths in recent years—from 121 in 2018, to 193 in 2019, and to 428 in 2020. Preliminary numbers show 830 Alabama resident deaths in 2021 and 835 deaths in 2022 related to this powerful drug. Our department is committed to fighting this growing epidemic and has joined a group of statewide organizations that have launched the "Odds Are Alabama" campaign to prevent fentanyl-related overdose deaths and poisonings.

In addition to heightening awareness of fentanyl dangers, "Odds Are Alabama" provides critical information regarding help for those with substance use disorders, along with information about medication that can reverse an overdose and strips to test drugs for fentanyl.

Despite the odds, there is still hope for overcoming addiction to fentanyl and long-term recovery is sustainable. The Alabama Department of Mental Health encourages the public to download the **Connect Alabama app**, a behavioral health services and treatment finder application, that provides individuals instant access to education, information, and services related to substance use, mental health, and prevention.

Facts about the dangers of fentanyl and multiple resources are available at **Vital Alabama**. The webpage includes important information about fentanyl, along with links to additional resources, such as help in recovering from an overdose and assistance for those with substance use disorders. By knowing the risks and taking action, you can save lives.

To read the complete article, visit: <https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/blog/2023/04/sho-april.html>

"Gratitude is...the emotional expression of appreciation for what is present in your life"

EHR Training Dates

- ❖ May 19th ❖ September 15th
- ❖ June 16th ❖ October 20th
- ❖ July 14th ❖ November 17th

EHR Trainings are held in person at the ADPH Training Center (RM 132) in Prattville, AL.

To schedule EHR training, contact: Christine Long at Christine.Long@adph.state.al.us

Fun Facts for April

- ✚ April showers bring May flowers
- ✚ April has two birth flowers: The Daisy and The Sweet Pea
- ✚ On April 15, 1912, the Titanic ship hit an iceberg and sank on her first and only voyage
- ✚ April's birthstone is the diamond. The meaning of the diamond is innocence

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