

NHMA Legislative Update – September NHMA Newsletter

NHMA staff participated in the Latino Commission on AIDS meeting this week to develop the Hispanic/Latinx AIDS priorities for the Biden Administration at the U.S. AIDS Conference in Washington, D.C.

NHMA and NHHF staff look forward to attending the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Hispanic Health Summit on Monday September 18th and invite you to attend to hear the accomplishments of Secretary Becerra and the Biden Administration's programs and priorities to improve health equity for Latinos and other underserved communities.

NHHF is honored to assist the new HHS Agency, ARPA-H, by inviting our networks within NHMA such as Latino researchers, tech start-ups, and venture capitalists to a Hispanic Health Summit on September 18, 2023 from 2–5 p.m. ET. [Register here to join us!](#)

NHMA sent a letter to Deputy Administrator Tristan Brown, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA), U.S. Department of Transportation in support of PHMSA's proposed rule to reduce leaks of methane from pipelines nationwide.

NHMA signed a letter to congressional leadership urging fiscal year 2024 appropriations bill funding for the National Museum of the American Latino and the authorization needed for the Smithsonian Institution to build the museum on the National Mall.

NHMA coordinated responses from our Latino Infectious Disease physicians for Congress' GAO to provide experience in dealing with the public health response and recommendations for to raise awareness and understanding of mpox for Latinos patients.

NHMA is participating with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Networking Event as part of the NHMA Leadership Fellowship with 12 Latino physician fellows this year interested in public health and leadership careers. The NHMA Fellows are in Washington, D.C. all next week meeting with the White House, HHS, Congress and leaders about federal public health leadership.

NHHF is hosting the California Leadership Fellows – seven Latino physicians from California – in Sacramento all week meeting with the Governor's Office, State Legislature, and State leaders and advocates on Latino healthcare policies and programs. NHHF is hosting a Networking Reception on Wed. Sept. 13 at the Health Net headquarters in Sacramento. We appreciate the support from Health Net and Centene Corporation! If interested in attending, please contact nhhf@nhmafoundation.org.