

BPSOS Falls Church NEWSLETTER

October 2021

NEW COVID-19 CASES IN AMERICA

August 27, 2021 to September 21, 2021



With the grant from HRSA (Health Resources and Services Administration), BPSOS has just started the **HRSA COVID Vaccine Project** of which main goal was to encourage vaccination among the unvaccinated communities. So far, we have established collaboration with our partners: Neighborhood Health, Vietnam Literacy & Artistic Club (Nhà Việt Nam), Winter Hill apartments and Fairfax County Health Department.

Beginning of September 2021, BPSOS has informed over 20 trusted messengers to help delivering the messages to the community. We've also conducted **two radio talk shows** and designed promotional materials emphasizing how effective and safe the COVID-19 vaccine is, based on scientific facts from the CDC (Centers for Disease Control).

As of September 28th, Fairfax County Health Department has begun providing **booster shots** of Pfizer vaccine to individuals who are 65 and above, immuno-compromised individuals, and anyone with underlying medical conditions. Please contact BPSOS at **(703) 538-2190** to make an appointment to get booster shot of the Pfizer vaccine.

In October, BPSOS community health workers will attend different outreach events hosted by Vietnamese House on October 10th in Arlington. An upcoming booster vaccine clinic for the seniors will be held at Winter Hill Apartments in Falls Church.



**READY FOR
EXTENDED OPEN
ENROLLMENT
PERIOD!**

It is that time of the year again! **Marketplace health insurance is opening for everyone starting this November 1st.**

Annually, Marketplace Open Enrollment period lasts from November 1st to December 15th. However, in 2021, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Marketplace has **extended the deadline until January 15th, 2022!** This is great news since consumers will have an extra 30 days to enroll, review, compare and choose a plan that best fits their needs.

In September 2021, BPSOS navigators successfully **enrolled more than 60 individuals and families** into qualified and affordable health plans such as Marketplace, Medicare and Medicaid. Our navigators spent as much time as needed to educate our clients and keep them informed about their health coverage options.

For more information or if you know someone suffering from domestic violence, please contact BPSOS at **(703) 538-2190**.



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