



# BPSOS Falls Church NEWSLETTER

November 2021



## COVID-19: KEEPING PEOPLE VACCINATED

The HRSA COVID Vaccine Project's main goal is to encourage unvaccinated individuals get vaccinated. We have continued partnering with Winter Hill, Fairfax County, Vietnam Literacy & Artistic Club (Nha Viet Nam), Viet Nationwide Radio and also strengthened our connection with the Health Personnel partners such as Care People and Safeway pharmacists.

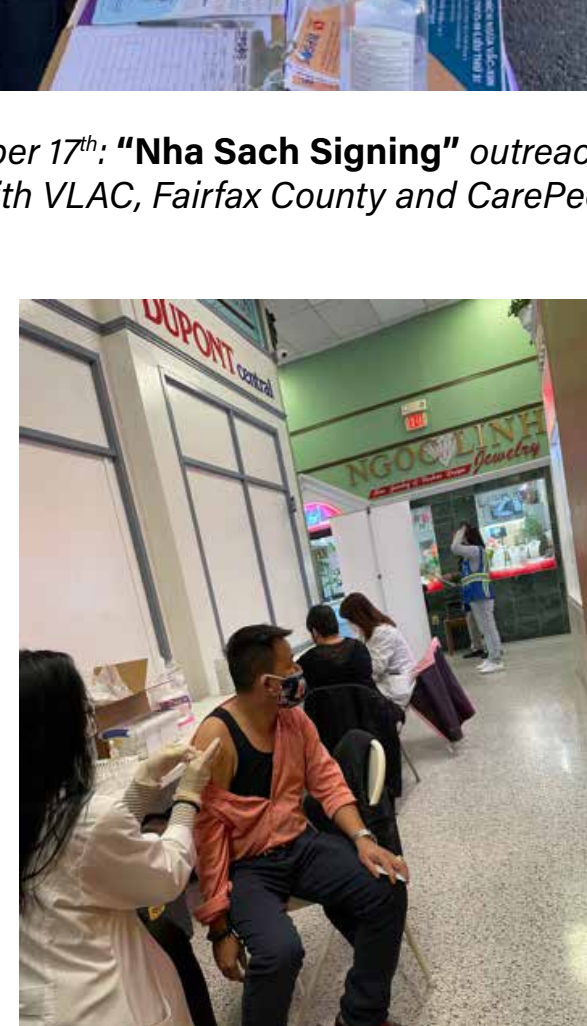
In October, BPSOS program coordinators and our partners collaborated to conduct **2 vaccination clinics** for our community as well as 2 other outreach events: "Vietnam & Beyond" and "Nha Sach Signing" in Eden Center.



October 10<sup>th</sup>: **"Vietnam & Beyond"** outreach event with Fairfax County and Vietnam Literacy & Artistic Club (VLAC)



October 17<sup>th</sup>: **"Nha Sach Signing"** outreach event with VLAC, Fairfax County and CarePeople



October 26<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>: **Vaccine clinics** with Fairfax County and Safeway pharmacists. Notably, BPSOS was able to serve and register many Hispanic individuals for the COVID-19 vaccine.

In addition, on October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, we successfully hosted **2 radio talk shows via Viet Nationwide Radio (VNR)** to update our community on COVID-19 news and to advertise our other events. We reached **over 4000 listeners and over 1000 people on our social media** as well as in person outreach in October.

In November, BPSOS will have another **vaccine clinic on November 14<sup>th</sup> from 11am to 4pm at Eden Center**. We will once again partner with Fairfax County and Safeway pharmacists to give the COVID-19 vaccine to the population around Eden Center.

Additionally, BPSOS' community health workers will continue with materials development, and education outreach in the Vietnamese and Hispanic communities. We will also follow up and keep in touch with the ones who are due of getting the booster shot. Also, we will approach children of the age 12 and over for vaccination shot. Please contact BPSOS at **(703) 538-2190** for more information.



## THE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE IS OPEN FOR ENROLLMENT

**Marketplace health insurance is opening for everyone starting this November 1<sup>st</sup>.**

In 2021, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Marketplace has **extended the deadline until January 15<sup>th</sup>, 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 October 2021, BPSOS navigators successfully **enrolled more than 50 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.

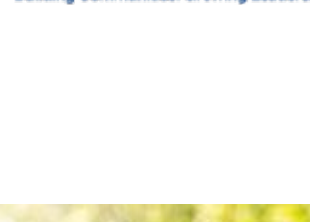
This month, to make it easier for our local community, **BPSOS is opening on weekend November 20<sup>th</sup> and November 21<sup>st</sup>**. Consumers will have more flexibility to come to us to enroll in Marketplace. For more information on how to enroll in a suitable health plan, please call BPSOS at **(703) 538-2190**.



## FIGHT AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

In October 2021, case managers of the Community Against Domestic Violence (CADV) program helped **4 new clients with child custody, child support, divorce and counseling**. All clients were very thankful to learn that we were committed into helping other domestic violence survivors.

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



## TRANSPORTATION FOR SENIORS & PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

In October, BPSOS **assisted 11 seniors with non-emergency medical transportation**. Our project coordinators and partner Peer Companions helped local seniors with their medical transportation needs such as going to their pharmacies and doctor appointments. We assisted them with Uber voucher and instructed them on how to use public transportation.

BPSOS has developed an e-referral system to connect local health providers and non-profit organizations. This network allows easy referrals and follow-ups for clients between healthcare providers and non-profit organizations. Last month, **6 clients were referred via the e-referral system** to receive appropriate healthcare.

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