

MCHA Monthly Meeting - Thursday, October 21, 2021



October is Domestic Violence Month and Breast Cancer Awareness (let's make it Prevention!) Month

1. **Greetings** - Mailing sent; materials distributed – Lynn Kersey, MCHA
<https://centerforhealthjournalism.org/fellowships/projects/three-lessons-disabled-mothers> -
2. **Updates: Pregnancy flyer** – barriers include post-pregnancy client deciding to use/seek; clinic/doctor accepting; clinic/doctor billing and getting paid for the visit
3. **Guest Speaker: Mike Odeh, Director of Health Policy**

“The Future of Medi-Cal for Kids”

4. **Breast Cancer Awareness:** Pinkwasher: (pink'-wah-sheer) noun. *A company or organization that claims to care about breast cancer by promoting a pink ribbon product, but at the same time produces, manufactures and/or sells products that are linked to the disease.*
See Breast Cancer Action www.bcaction.org - patient-centered resources, toolkit to navigate breast cancer, factsheets, podcasts, webinars, “Think Before You Pink”
Domestic Violence Awareness: East LA Women’s Center Candlelight Vigil – virtual or in-person: <https://www.elawc.org/vigil2021>; www.ELAWC.org; www.peaceoverviolence.org; www.jenness.org; www.ncadv.org

5. Announcements

Next Meeting: Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021!

<https://www.vice.com/en/article/bvz9zm/pregnant-people-dying-of-covid-cdc-says-vaccinate>

The CDC is urging public health agencies and particularly providers to increase their outreach to pregnant people, **to recommend getting the vaccine** and address their concerns about it. “A strong recommendation from a healthcare provider is a critical factor in COVID-19 vaccine acceptance and can make a meaningful difference to protect the health of pregnant and recently pregnant people and their fetuses/infants from COVID-19,” the CDC said.

TODAY COVID-19 [Rental Debt Webinar](#)

Join our small claims and mediation experts, along with the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles, and Housing is Key, **today at noon** to learn everything you need to know about COVID-19 rental debt.

Starting Nov. 1, 2021, landlords can sue tenants in small claims court or general civil court to recover the back rent tenants could not pay while state eviction protections were in place Mar 1, 2020 to Sept. 30, 2021. This unpaid rent is known as COVID-19 rental debt. Join DCBA, LAFLA and Housing is Key to learn more about COVID-19 rental debt and how to access important resources to reduce rental debt, mediate COVID-19 rental debt disputes outside of court and learn how to navigate the court process if you're involved in a suit for COVID-19 rental debt.

ATTENTION ALL RENTERS! *Attend the* **Coalition for Economic Survival Tenants' Rights Zoom Clinic**

The Next [Coalition for Economic Survival](#) Tenants' Rights Clinic via ZOOM
is this Saturday, October 23, 2021 - 10:00 AM.
It is One-On-One Counseling, Not a Townhall Meeting.

You Need to Register in advance for this meeting at:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdQUR4pRSd3gsY0wysQq8ziLmQspsLUgtJNZA8Qcd3_9-7JwQ/viewform
<https://bit.ly/TenantClinic10-23-21> The Clinic serves the entire Southern California area.

Accommodations for Spanish, Russian, Farsi & Hebrew speakers are provided.

If you can't make it this Saturday, CES holds the Clinic **Every Saturday**
via Zoom at 10 am. To request a link to register for any Clinic email: HelpingLARenters@gmail.com.