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Civitas Networks for Health Announces 2025 Annual Conference Premier Partnership with 211 San Diego

Bridging Data and Doing in Anaheim, California, September 28-30, 2025

Portland, ME & San Diego, CA – October 28, 2024 – <u>Civitas Networks for Health</u> announced that <u>211 San Diego</u> which encompasses <u>Community Information Exchange (CIE) San Diego</u>, and <u>San Diego Health Connect</u> (HIE) will serve as the premier conference partner for the 2025 Civitas Annual Conference alongside other California Civitas members. Convening under the theme, "Bridging Data and Doing," the event will take place from September 28-30, 2025, in Anaheim, CA.

The partnership marks a significant collaboration aimed at fostering cross-sector solutions that drive health improvement and innovation across the nation. By leveraging the powerful relationships and collaborative work of 211 San Diego, the partnering organizations will collectively exemplify how exchanging community-level data can drive meaningful change locally, regionally, state-wide, and nationally. There is tremendous opportunity for CIEs, Health Information Exchanges (HIEs), Community Based Organizations, Quality Improvement Organizations, and health improvement and data collaboratives to increase partnerships to further connections to advance whole person care.

There is no better state to host the conference in 2025 than California, with implementation underway of CalAIM, the groundbreaking Medi-Cal transformation initiative, which seeks to create a more coordinated, person-centered, and equitable health system. With these changes, and California's new Data Exchange Framework to facilitate the secure and appropriate exchange of health and social services information, Civitas is thrilled to host the conference in this hotbed of innovation.

"As the only combined 211, Community Information Exchange and Health Information Exchange systems in the nation, we are committed to fostering a culture of collaboration, innovation, and interoperability needed to provide whole person care," said William York, President & CEO of 211 San Diego/CIE/San Diego Health Connect. "We are thrilled to expand our partnership with Civitas to share lessons learned from our National CIE Membership and create space for all key stakeholders to have voice in creating equitable and healthy communities."

As the premier conference partner, 211 San Diego brings its complementary deep expertise in fostering collaborative national and local networks that connect individuals to critical health and social services. They play an integral role in facilitating innovative, data-driven solutions that address the social determinants of health and support community well-being.

"211 San Diego, Community Information Exchange (CIE), and San Diego Health Connect have been longtime members and collaborators of Civitas Networks for Health, and we are thrilled to enter this new era of our partnership by co-creating our 2025 conference," said Lisa Bari, CEO of Civitas Networks for Health. "Our 2025 Annual Conference will be an exciting opportunity to unite leaders from health care, health information exchange, social care, community health, and community information exchange to work together toward building healthier and stronger regions across the nation. These partners are uniquely poised to showcase how local organizations are having a national impact."

With over 17 organizational members in California alone, and organizations planning to attend from across the country, the 2025 Civitas Annual Conference is assured to be a major event for health improvement and health and community information exchange leaders, providing a space for key collaborators across sectors to come together, share best practices, and lead transformative change in better aligned health care and social care.

Save the Date!

Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information on registration and the full conference agenda. This is a must-attend event for professionals working at the intersection of health information exchange, data-driven health care, and social service delivery.

For more information about Civitas Networks for Health and the 2025 Annual Conference, please email contact@civitasforhealth.org. You can also visit the 2024 conference site for more information.

About Civitas Networks for Health

Civitas Networks for Health is a national nonprofit collaborative comprised of 170+ member organizations working to use health information exchange, health data, and multi-stakeholder, cross-sector approaches to improve health. We educate, promote, and influence both the private sector and policy makers on matters of interoperability, quality, coordination, health equity, and cost-effectiveness of health care, and as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, lead multi-site grant-funded programs and projects. We are proud to support local health innovators by amplifying their voices at the national level and increasing the exchange of valuable resources, tools, and ideas. To learn more, please visit www.civitasforhealth.org.

About 211 San Diego

211 San Diego is the region's local nonprofit organization, connecting people to the community and health services they need. 211 San Diego manages an online database of free or low-cost services and operates a multilingual contact center to help those calling 2-1-1 to find available services. Our mission is to seamlessly connect people to resources, and partner with our community to transform how people access help.

About Community Information Exchange San Diego (CIE®)

To improve and change how people access the care they need, 211 San Diego invested in and serves as the backbone organization for the Community Information Exchange (CIE) - a community-governed infrastructure that enables information to be effectively and responsibly

shared among many organizations to improve the health and well-being of people across San Diego County. The CIE is a collaborative approach that enables partners to provide holistic, person-centered care with the overall goal to advance equity for all. CIE San Diego has led the nationwide movement to use data to promote individual well-being as a foundation for a more holistic approach to community health.

About San Diego Health Connect (SDHC)

SDHC is the health information organization (HIO) that unifies the San Diego healthcare ecosystem. SDHC securely connects providers, patients, private health information exchanges (HIEs) and others to improve the quality and cost of care in our community. As a non-profit organization, San Diego Health Connect exists to serve every member of the community—and to make San Diego an even better place to live.

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