

Date: 9 January 2015  
To: Health Care Providers  
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**Please distribute to all care providers and relevant medical staff in your office.**

## HEALTH ADVISORY: Cocci Educational Event

Please see educational opportunity below. Over 75% of reported cases of Coccidioidomycosis in California are in residents of the San Joaquin Valley. It is a significant problem in San Joaquin County: 46 cases in 2010, 123 cases in 2011, 94 cases in 2012, 68 cases in 2013, and preliminarily 70 cases in 2014.

You are Invited to a CME Event:

### **Valley Fever: What Every California Physician Needs to Know**

The Health Officers Association of California announces a half-day session on coccidioidomycosis (Valley Fever) worth 3.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)<sup>™</sup>.

Date: **Saturday, January 24, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm**

Location: **Founders Hall, Bakersfield Memorial Hospital: 420 34th St Bakersfield, CA**

Agenda: Topics covered will include epidemiology, mycology, special populations, clinical features, and case review. See attachment.

Registration: See <http://www.calhealthofficers.org/ValleyFever.htm>  
Registration Fee of \$60 includes refreshments, materials, and CME certificate.

This activity is intended for all physicians and health professionals. There are no course prerequisites.

#### **Objectives - after attending the conference participants will be able to:**

1. Describe the epidemiology of coccidioidomycosis in California.
2. Recognize the clinical presentation of primary coccidioidomycosis.
3. Diagnose and manage coccidioidomycosis.
4. Describe currently available diagnostic tests for coccidioidomycosis.

The Health Officers Association of California (HOAC) is accredited by the Institute for Medical Quality/California Medical Association (IMQ/CMA) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

HOAC designates this live activity for a maximum of 3.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)<sup>™</sup>. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This credit may also be applied to the CMA Certification in Continuing Medical Education.

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Attachment:

## **Valley Fever: What Every California Physician Needs to Know**

January 24, 2015; 08:00 – 12:00

Bakersfield, CA

### **Agenda**

8:00 am – Welcome

The Honorable Senator Jean Fuller

8:05 am – Epidemiology: What are the areas and people of highest risk?

Michael MacLean, MD, Health Officer, Kings County

8:35 am – Clinical Features and Case Review

Royce Johnson, M.D., F.A.C.P, Chair, Department of Medicine, Kern Medical Center

9:45 am – Treatment and Clinical Management

Royce Johnson, M.D., F.A.C.P, Chair, Department of Medicine, Kern Medical Center

10:15 am – Mycology, Laboratory Testing, and Diagnosis

Herbert Boro, M.D., F.A.C.P., Program Director, Cocci Study Group

10:45 am - Break

11:00 am – Valley Fever in Children, Pregnant Women, and Other Vulnerable Populations

Claudia Jonah, MD, Health Officer, Kern County

11:30 am – Panel Format Questions and Answers

12:00 pm – Thank You and Adjournment