



WV Health Innovation Collaborative Newsletter

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GOHELP & The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources

Recap of November Meetings

Lower Cost: The Lower Cost workgroup met on November 18, and heard presentations from Vicki Cunningham, Director of Pharmacy Services for the Bureau for Medical Services on Medicaid pharmacy costs; Dr. Dan Foster on the Choosing Wisely Initiative and projects currently underway; and Amanda McCarty, Bureau for Public Health, and Arnie Hassen, WV School of Osteopathic Medicine, on the proposed framework for the State Health Improvement Plan.

Better Health: The Better Health workgroup met on November 17 and heard presentations from Dr. Jamie Jeffrey on the HealthyKids Project (keys4healthykids.com); the Regional Wellness Specialist Network; and School Health Services and Community Schools.

Better Care: The Better Care workgroup met on November 17. An overview of the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Transformation and Support Alignment Grant opportunity was presented. Grant applications must be received by January 6, 2015.

All workgroup agendas, notes, and presentations (if provided) can be accessed on the WV Health Innovation Collaborative website at www.wvhicollaborative.wv.gov.

Announcements From Our Partners

80% by 2018 Initiative: 80% by 2018 is a National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable initiative in which more than 140 organizations have committed to eliminating colorectal cancer as a major public health problem and are working toward the shared goal of 80% of adults ages 50 and older being regularly screened for colorectal cancer by 2018.

For more information on this initiative and to find the five things you can do to reach 80% by 2018, visit cancer.org/colon or check out the PDF announcement accompanying this newsletter.

Local Health Leaders Release Publication: Various partners within the Charleston Area Medical Center (CAMC) and West Virginia University have released a publication entitled "Evaluation of a Training to Reduce Provider Bias Toward Pregnant Patients with Substance Abuse."

A PDF of the article is provided in the newsletter email.

Rural Health Workforce Day at the West Virginia Capitol

Thursday, January 22, 2015
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

If you are interested in exhibiting
or bringing students, contact:

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Federal Announcements

The SAMHSA-HRSA Center for Integrated Health Solutions (CIHS) recently released *Advancing Behavioral Health Integration with NCQA Recognized Patient-Centered Medical Homes* to support safety-net providers across the country in gaining recognition under the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Program. The report details the specific elements of behavioral health required in PCMH recognition.

Reaching Families in Rural Communities: A new analysis for First Focus by Bill O'Hare shows that children in rural communities are more likely than their urban counterparts to get healthcare through the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and Medicaid. With federal funding for CHIP scheduled to end next year, this report illustrates the importance of extending CHIP funding for children in rural America. The full report can be accessed [here](#). Information on West Virginia's uninsured rate for children can be accessed on page 37 and 51. In comparison to other states, West Virginia has been effective in getting children enrolled.

2014 Annual Secretary's Reports on the Quality of Care for Medicaid and CHIP: The Secretary of Health and Human Services recently released two annual reports related to quality of care. The fifth [Annual Secretary's Report on the Quality of Care for Children in Medicaid and CHIP](#) discusses the status of federal and state efforts for quality measurement and reporting and summarizes information on quality measures and performance improvement projects.

Complementing this report, the first [Annual Secretary's Report on the Quality of Health Care for Adults Enrolled in Medicaid](#) discusses the status of the first year of state reporting on the Medicaid Adult Core Set and summarizes information on managed care performance measures and performance improvement projects.

Upcoming Webinars



Interprofessional Primary Care Training: Seven Champion Programs

Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative (PCPCC) Webinar
Thursday, December 11, 2014
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET

Join us to hear [Marc Nielsen](#), PhD, MPH and [Barbara Brandt](#), PhD discuss a new publication the PCPCC is releasing on Dec. 11 that focuses on interprofessional primary care training. The publication takes a deeper dive into seven exemplary programs that train medical students, residents, nurse practitioners, nurses, physician assistants, social workers, psychologists, and other health professionals for work in patient-centered medical homes. Learn more about the publication [here](#).

[Click here to register.](#) *This event is free of charge but advanced registration is required.*

Workgroup Meetings

- **Better Health:** Dec. 16, 10:00 am-12:00 pm
- **Better Care:** Dec. 16, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm
- **Lower Cost:** Dec. 17, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm

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