Connecticut State Innovation Model
Work Stream Update

- [Health Management Associates](#) the HEC consultant, led the members of HISC in a discussion on the Health Enhancement Community Planning Process, including the [Reference Community Engagement Strategy](#).
- An HEC RFP review process resulted in the selection of a number of qualified community collaboratives to participate as HEC reference communities.
- The Population Health Council reconvened—HMA introduced next steps and the HEC planning initative.
- The Consumer Advisory Board (CAB) approved 3 consumer representative application forms – young adult and adult for CAB, and Quality Council.
- The HIT PMO awarded RFQ Contract for Service Area 1 (Project Management, Meeting Facilitation, HIT Council Support and Strategic Planning) is under review by CMS.
- Completed IAPD-U Appendix D updates (language and budget) as per DSS/OHS meeting in February. Currently back under review by DSS for review and submission to CMS.
- The Quality Council reviewed the progress made towards the All Payer Quality Measure Alignment goal of 75%. The current status is 60% with 4 payers reporting for 2017.
- Freedman Healthcare, the VBID consultant, secured agreements with 8 self-insured employers (2 additional agreements pending) to participate in targeted technical assistance initiative. [Participants are receiving technical assistance](#) from the consultant to develop and implement a VBID plan for their employees.
- A Technical Assistance Kick-off event was held for participating VBID employers.
- UConn SWAHEC facilitated a CHW Advisory Committee meeting on March 20th where three design groups were created to discuss various key decision points for the CHW Certification Program in Connecticut.
- The UConn Evaluation team published April 1 [dashboard](#) with new data for the AMH program and youth smoking.
- UConn Evaluation received Commercial CAHPS data and began planning for next CAHPS administration
- Carry-over requests covering funding from AY2 to AY3 were approved by CMMI.

Council/ Work Stream	Major Topics Covered	Progress/ Outputs	Next Steps	Upcoming Meetings
Healthcare Innovation Steering Committee (HISC)	*HIT Update* *HEC Planning Kick-off*	• Reviewed and Discussed detailed Health Information Technology Timeline and Milestones • Reviewed and Discussed Health Enhancement Community Planning Process, led by the HEC consultant, Health Management Associates. Included discussion on Reference Community Engagement Strategy. • Presentation for the above items found here	• Discuss Status of HIT IAPD-U Submission, Quality Measure Alignment, AMH and CCIP Programs	4/12/18
Consumer Advisory Board (CAB)	*Consumer input on barriers to appropriate healthcare* *Communication strategies*	• CAB approved 3 consumer representative application forms – young adult and adult for CAB, and Quality Council. • Approved a motion to establish a resources and reports section on CAB webpage to post event summaries. • Formation of a CAB Task Force to explore web-based communication strategies	• Applications posted on SIM website and SIM News • CAB will review applications received at April Meeting • Post reports on SIM/CAB webpage • Co-chairs and CAB volunteer will set up a conferne call for Task Force on Web Strategies	Special CAB meeting regarding PCM 4/5 CAB meeting 4/10
Practice Transformation Task Force (PTTF)		• No March Meeting	• Review and Discuss CCIP Progress and Adjustments for Wave 2, including Streamlined Core Standards	4/10/18
Health Information Technology (HIT)	*IAPD-U Appendix D*	• Awarded RFQ Contract for Service Area 1 (Project Management, Meeting Facilitation, HIT Council Support and Strategic Planning), under review by CMS • Contract negotiations for Service Areas 2-4 (eCQM development, HIE service procurement, andsustainability model development) is underway • Reviewed HIT Roadmap Technology needs and updated pricing with UConn AIMS	• Review and submit IAPD-U Appendix D to CMS. • Contracts, MOAs and PSAs as needed to support IAPD Planning and IAPD-U Implementation & Development work. • Governance Design Group Kickoff in April.	April and May Advisory Council Meetings.

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		• Completed SIM Release of Funds (ROF) Requests for HIT Roadmap Technology • Completed IAPD-U Appendix D updates (language and budget) as per DSS/OHS meeting in February. Currently back under review by DSS for review and submission to CMS • Completed Governance Design Group presentation and reference materials for kickoff meeting in April	• Charter for OSC/eCQM Pilot in process of review. Expected completion in April. • Service Area 1-4 Program Kickoff planned for early May. • Hire resources as needed to support IAPD Service Area work.	
Quality Council (QC)	*QMA*	• Reviewed the progress made towards the All Payer Quality Measure Alignment goal of 75%. The current status 60% with 4 payers reporting for 2017 • Continued to consult on the public scorecard (see UConn Evaluation work stream)	• Examine progress on Health Equity Measures project • Continue to consult on Public Scorecard design	4/11/18
Care Management Committee (CMC) **(A sub-committee of MAPOC)**		• March committee meeting cancelled due to weather	• Share update at May MAPOC CMC	

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Population Health Planning (DPH)		• An HEC RFP review process resulted in the selection of a number of qualified community collaboratives to participate as HEC reference communities. • A review team was established to identify several CBOs and AN/FQHCs ready for participation in the PSI demonstration. • The Population Health Council reconvened—HMA introduced next steps and the HEC planning initative. • 2018 CT BRFSS contract has been successfully executed, increasing sample size from 8,000 interviews to over 10,000 to meet the needs of SIM local level data. • Surveillance Analysis and Reporting (SAR) staff are working with OHCA staff to secure electronic access to their Hospitalization database to speed up reporting of hospitalization statistics for small areas. A batch process for geocoding the 2012+ inpatient hospitalization data has been been identified.	• Contract negotiations are underway. • Contract negotiations are underway. • Next council meeting on April 24th, 2018. • BRFSS staff anticipate finalizing a first draft of the report in May. • Implement a read-only SQL link between SAR and OHCA hospital data system. Submit records that need to be geocoded to the batch-processing system, to allow production of small-area avoidable hospitalization statistics.	
Person Centered Medical Home Plus (PCMH+, formerly MQISSP)		• Published RFP on Jan 8 • Reviewing RFP responses • Formally submitted SPA to CMS • PE monthly reports submitted and in review • Planning for information sessions and technical assistance webinars	• Select Wave 2 PEs • Execute contracts with PEs • Hold community information sessions and technical assistance webinars	

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Value-based Insurance Design		• Secured agreements with 8 self-insured employers (2 additional agreements pending) to participate in targeted technical assistance initiative. Participants are receiving technical assistance from Freedman Healthcare to develop and implement a VBID plan for their employees. • Held Technical Assistance Kick-off event for participating employers. • Held first round of one-on-one discussions with employers to assess goals, identify barriers, and determine initial TA strategy.	• Secure final 2 agreements to complete the first employer technical assistance cohort. • Complete VBID assessments with all payers and share results with SIM governance. • Release additional information to SIM governance regarding the participating employers and the TA process.	June TBD
UCONN Community Health Worker (CHW) Initiative		• Facilitated a CHW Advisory Committee meeting on March 20th where we broke out into three design groups to discuss various key decision points for the CHW Certification Program in Connecticut. • Attended Equal Coverage to Care Coalition meeting to discuss the health insurance literacy as a skill for the Community Health Worker.	• Prepare and Facilitate three SIM CHW design group video conference calls, as well as a full committee meeting, to advance the certification discussion within the committee. • Develop and execute a strategy for the CHW apprenticeship program. • Work with the CHW website consultant to collect and include additional resources prior to launching phase two	4/17

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UCONN Evaluation	*Dashboard*	• Published April 1 dashboard with new data for the AMH program and youth smoking • Received Commercial CAHPS data and began planning for next CAHPS administration • Began analysis of APCD data for dashboard to set baselines and targets for healthcare delivery methods	• Continue analysis of APCD data for dashboard to set baselines and targets for healthcare delivery methods • Receive data for upcoming dashboard publications including Medicare and additional commercial claims data from APCD • Continue planning for next CAHPS administration • Continue scorecard development	
	Scorecard	• Continued with user interface and methods development • Presented decision points to Quality Council and assembled sub-group on scorecard presentation • Received final commercial CAHPS data and began analysis	• Present scorecard decision points on benchmarks and scoring to the Quality Council and convene the sub-group on presentation • Receive Medicare and additional commercial claims from the APCD and continue data analysis	
Community and Clinical Integration Program	*Health Equity*	• Held third Health Equity Learning Collaborative • Relocated the Learning Management System educational materials to a website to increase ease of access for CCIP participants • Reviewed quarterly reassessments against the CCIP Standards.	• Complete initial engagement with Penn Center for CHWs which will result in blueprints for each CCIP PEs. • Release summarized results of quarterly re-assessment. • Release RFA for supplemental awards for CCIP Wave 1 participants. • Release Wave 2 RFA.	
Advanced Medical Home Program		• 144 practices partipating in AMH Program • 123 have achieved 2014 NCQA Level IIor III recognition	• Transformation vendor will continue to provide TA	NA

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Program Management Office (PMO)	*Operational Plan* *Budget*	• Provided Core team and report leads new template for quarterly reports in order to better track progress against AY3 goals and milestones as outlined in the operational plan • Carry-over requests covering from AY2 to AY3 were approved by CMMI	•	

ACRONYMS

APCD – All-Payers Claims Database

AHCT – Access Health Connecticut

BRFSS – Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

CAB – Consumer Advisory Board

CCIP – Clinical & Community Integration Program

CHW – Community Health Worker

CMC – Care Management Committee

CMMI – Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovations

DPH – Department of Public Health

DSS – Department of Social Services

EAC – Equity and Access Council

EHR – Electronic Health Record

HISC – Healthcare Innovation Steering Committee

HIT – Health Information Technology

MAPOC –Medical Assistance Program Oversight Council

MOA – Memorandum of Agreement

MQISSP – Medicaid Quality Improvement and Shared Savings Program

PCMH – Patient Centered Medical Home

PMO – Program Management Office

PTTF – Practice Transformation Task Force

QC – Quality Council

SIM – State Innovation Model

FQHC – Federally Qualified Health Center

RFP – Request for Proposals

OSC – Office of the State Comptroller

VBID – Value-based Insurance Design

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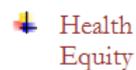
The purpose of this document is to raise awareness among members of SIM Governance and SIM-funded work stream leads so that they can stay up-to-date about SIM progress, understand their work in context, and spot inter-dependencies where collaboration or coordination may be beneficial

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