

November

2016

Connecticut State Innovation Model Work Stream Update



- Recruitment began for Wave 1 of the AMH Program. [Applications are now being accepted.](#)
- Planning efforts were finalized for the AMH Recruitment event on December 8.
- [VBID Self-Insured Employer Manual](#) finalized and approved by Steering Committee
- [Quality Council Report](#) finalized and approved by Steering Committee
- Carry-over request of \$1.8 million submitted and approved. These Pre-implementation Period funds will be used to support work streams in a range of activities during Performance Year 1.
- “Tweet chat” to engage the Latino community on healthcare reform efforts was held by the Consumer Advisory Board. The successful event yielded high participation rates and resulted in additional SIM social media engagement afterward.
- Drafted Implementation Advanced Planning Document Update (IAPD-U) to solicit 90/10 federal Medicaid match for Health Information Technology planning activities.
- Prevention Service Centers (PSCs) were the focus of the Population Health planning efforts, including an analysis of prevention service options for inclusion in the PSC model. The analysis was completed and submitted to the Population Health Council for deliberation.
- PCMH+ Member welcome letter distribution began and work continued in preparation for the January 1, 2017 launch date
- The Community Health Worker Advisory Committee provided valuable input on CHW hiring, orientation, supervision, and training in support of the Community and Clinical Integration Program (CCIP).
- A survey of Advanced Medical Home pilot program participants was developed by the UConn Evaluation team. Results are being used to enhance Wave 1 of the AMH Program which will launch January 1.

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| Healthcare Innovation Steering Committee (HISC) | <i>VBID</i> <i>Quality Measures</i> <i>HIT</i> <i>Care Delivery Reform</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed and approved final version of VBID Self-Insured Employer Manual Reviewed and approved final Quality Council Report Viewed presentations on Health Information Technology and Care Delivery Reform efforts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review and approve Final version of VBID Fully-Insured Employer Manual | 1/12/17 |
| Consumer Advisory Board (CAB) | <i>Consumer Engagement</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued recruitment process for consumers/advocates to fill vacancies on the CAB, as well as other Committees. Selected three consumers/advocates for positions on the CAB Held a “Tweet Chat” to engage the Hispanic/Latino community on healthcare reform efforts. The successful event yielded high participation rates and resulted in additional SIM social media engagement afterward. Planned for an engagement event with the African-American community in the Hartford area through a collaboration with several local congregations | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Consumer Engagement Coordinator to finalize Communication Plan Seek approval from the Steering Committee for new CAB representatives Host the Hartford area consumer engagement event with local congregations CAB will communicate key findings from the Young Adult Forum to the Steering Committee and other SIM Workgroups | 1/10/17 |
| Practice Transformation Task Force (PTTF) | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No November Meeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advise regarding primary care payment models that support transformation Possible input on CCIP technical assistance curriculum and strategy | 1/10/17 |

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| Health Information Technology (HIT) | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drafted Implementation Advanced Planning Document Update (IAPD-U) to solicit 90/10 federal Medicaid match for planning activities related to extension of alert notification to all payers, eCQM measurement and reporting solution(RFI/RFP) and the development of a stakeholder engagement/ environmental scan of the current HIT landscape <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shared draft IAPD-U with ONC Drafted MOA and contract to include in IAPD-U submission Provided further information to Health IT Council regarding state's current modular approach to HIE and comparison with "all in one" solution | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Begin stakeholder engagement to better understand stakeholder needs and alternative strategies for HIE that have emerged in the past year | State HIT Advisory Council: 12/15/16 |
| Quality Council (QC) | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued work with UConn Evaluation team to identify a desired scorecard design and process for implementation. Provided input into desired use cases for scorecard and reviewed findings from discussions with other states. Reviewed work stream alignment strategy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize use cases for public scorecard and further discuss scorecard contents including risk adjustment, level of analysis, and overall layout | 1/11/17 |
| Care Management Committee (CMC) (A sub-committee of MAPOC) | PCMH+ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed and commented on notices of December educational sessions for members and providers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to hold work sessions to implement PCMH+. | 1/11/17 |

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| Population Health Planning (DPH) | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An analysis of pre-selected prevention services for inclusion in the PSC model was completed and submitted to the Population Health Council for deliberation. • The new BRFSS epidemiologist has taken the lead responsibility for the 2015 BRFSS Summary Report. • A second epidemiologist was hired on 11/25/16 by the DPH Health Statistics and Surveillance Section. • The new epidemiologist is receiving orientation to the current estimations of population data and to describe the needed additional work to create final detailed estimates for 2011-2014 by town, age, sex and race/ethnicity (TASRH) . • Efforts to improve the quality of input data for the annual TASRH pop. estimates have been completed. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The US Census Bureau completed a tabulation for CT DPH of 2010 Census group=quarters population counts that provides more detail than is publicly available. 2) The CT DPH completed an MOA with the CT State Department of Education (SDE) to allow us to obtain uncensored school-enrollment data for use in the calculating the TASRH pop. estimates. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalize review of menu of services and validation of criteria for inclusion in the PSC model. • Continue work on BRFSS report to be released early 2017. • Finalize a set of CT Population estimates by TASRH for 2011-2014. These estimates will support the SIM population health metrics, and be used to calculate small-area disease rates for recent years. • Work on a report of local area estimation will continue. • Approval by the State Office of Policy Management will be requested to move forward with the 2017 contract amendment with ICF International to fund the 2017 BRFSS survey. | 12/20/16 |

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| Person Centered Medical Home Plus (PCMH+, formerly MQISSP) | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued meetings with CMS and other state partners to discuss the PCMH+ design and implementation, utilizing the Concept Paper and other historical stakeholder materials Worked further through the implementation work plan in preparation for Jan 1 2016 Began distributing member welcome letters DSS continued to engage with CMS toward approval of the Medicaid authority needed to make supplemental payments to FQHCs and shared savings payments to all Participating Entities, and anticipates soon submitting the required State Plan Amendment Work team developed training materials for Participating Entities and finalized plans for December educational sessions for members and providers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finish distributing member welcome letters, and process opt-outs in response Hold provider and member information session on December 13 & 14 | N/A |

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| Value-based Insurance Design | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public comment for the fully-insured employer manual was received and will be compiled and shared with the Steering Committee in January. Final approval was received on the self-insured manual from the Steering Committee. The PMO worked with the UConn Evaluation Team to develop a data collection tool for health plans to report on VBID penetration in their plans. The data collection tool aligns with the categories developed in the VBID templates which will allow the PMO and Evaluation Team to track changes in VBID adoption throughout the course of the grant. The PMO and OSC have agreed to extend the Freedman Healthcare Contract to include support in engaging the employer community around VBID. Details of their engagement strategy are in development. The PMO and OSC continued meeting with health plans to promote the VBID templates and to learn about VBID plans on the horizon. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request Final Approval from the Steering Committee on the fully insured manual. Work with Freedman Healthcare to develop a comprehensive employer engagement strategy. Share the VBID data collection tool with health plans to identify key informants who will provide the requested data. Work with Freedman Healthcare to plan the next meeting of the VBID Consortium for early spring. | No meetings currently scheduled |

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| UConn Community Health Worker (CHW) Initiative | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convened 7th meeting of the CHW Advisory Committee on 11/17/16 to discuss CCIP and solicit committee input for content of TA to be delivered to Qualidigm. • Convened design group on 11/30/16 to look further into certification/credentialing issues raised by the larger committee. Will need a second meeting. • Presented on the CHW Initiative at the CT Public Health Association's annual meeting on 11/10/16. • Attended APHA CHW sessions and participated in the Common Core Indicators APHA workgroup to develop indicators and metrics to quantify social determinants of health. • Developed a catalogue of training resources and opportunities for CCP Vendor and Practicing Entities. • Discussed CHW apprenticeship development with Dean of Capital Community College. She has been working on the training portion needed. She would like to work with UConn/SWAHEC to develop the fieldwork and employer portion of the apprenticeship. Meeting to be set up. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convene 2nd meeting of the certification design group on 12/15/16. • Organize a credentialing focus group with CHWs identified by the CHW Association of CT. • Submit training resources and best practices report to PMO. | 12/15/16 Certification Design Group | |

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| UCONN Evaluation | Dashboard | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued data acquisition for 1/1/17 dashboard publication | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue data acquisition and analysis for 1/1/17 dashboard publication | N/A |
| | Care Experience Survey | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drafted VBID survey for plans Reviewed and ranked responses to RFP for data collection vendor Continued communications with plans about sample | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtain feedback on VBID survey from plans Update timeframe for survey after discussions with plans | |
| | Public Scorecard | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed discussions with other SIM States about their online health care quality scorecards | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Circulate online survey of presentation options for scorecard and present results to Quality Council | |
| | Reporting to CMMI | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presented scorecard groundwork and decision points and discussed use cases at November Quality Council Meeting | | |
| | AMH Program Evaluation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amended reporting template | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attended monthly call with National Evaluators Finalize reporting template Attend December call with Federal Evaluators | |
| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executed AMH Program Evaluation | | |

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| Advanced Medical Home Program | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planning continued for an AMH practice recruitment event, in collaboration with DSS and the CSMS. The event will be held on December 8 and will feature Marci Nielsen of the Patient Centered Primary Care Collaborative. This event will help achieve the goal of recruiting 150 practices for transformation services. Applications for Wave 1 of the AMH Program are now being accepted. AMH Transformation Services continued for the AMH Pilot which includes 91 practices Proposals were reviewed for the AMH vendor and the contract is currently under negotiation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host the AMH recruitment event and use the photos and videos from the event to promote the AMH program. The goal is to recruit 150 practices by December 20. Continue providing transformation services for AMH Vanguard Program | N/A |
| Program Management Office (PMO) | CCIP AMH | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worked with DSS and CSMS to plan AMH recruitment event to take place December 8 Worked to finalize the CCIP and AMH Vendor contracts and to draft the CCIP Transformation Award contracts. Completed, submitted, and received approval for a carry-over request of about \$1.8 million. These funds were carried over from the Pre-implementation Period and will be used to support several work streams during Performance Year 1. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalize contract negotiations for the AMH and CCIP vendor contracts, as well as the CCIP Transformation Awards. Host the AMH Recruitment event and engage in intensive recruitment efforts for the AMH program. | N/A |

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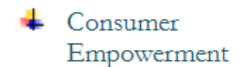
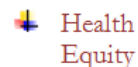
APCD – All-Payers Claims Database

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

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

 Population Health

 Health Equity

 Healthcare Quality

 Consumer Empowerment

 Affordability