Ohio PCMH Weekly

Ohio PCMH Weekly is a summary of Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) news from around Ohio, as well as a sampling of national PCMH news and educational opportunities. Comments and suggestions can be directed to PCMH@odh.ohio.gov. To become a member of the Ohio Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative (OPCPCC) and receive Ohio PCMH Weekly, go to http://www.odh.ohio.gov/landing/medicalhomes/Membership.aspx.

OPCPCC updates

The Ohio Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative (OPCPCC) Communications and Education Learning Center website subcommittee developed content for a new PCMH consumer/patient website. A consumer focus group was held on September 9, in order to receive consumer feedback to inform improvements to the website. Consumer feedback will be evaluated over the coming months to begin to improving the content and layout of the consumer website.

The third annual Ohio Patient-Centered Primary Care Collaborative conference will be held on Friday, November 7, 2014 at 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM at COSI in Columbus. The theme of this year’s conference is PCMH as a Path to Population Health. Conference participation is limited to the first 350 who register and there is a $35 fee. 4.75 Social Work CEUs will be available, provided by the National Association of Social Workers- Ohio Chapter (#333350—110714). Application for continuing medical education (CME) credit has been filed with the American Academy of Family Physicians. We anticipate accreditation for up to 5 hours of CME. Determination of credit is pending. Nurses can request a CME certificate to submit for credit. Please register in advance. A detailed draft agenda is now available on the OPCPCC web site.

Funding Opportunities

Healthy Tomorrows Partnership for Children Program (HTPCP)
The goal of the HTPCP program is to promote access to health care for children, youth and their families nationwide, and employ preventive health strategies through innovative community driven programs. This program supports HRSA's goals to improve access to quality health care and services, to build healthy communities, and to improve health equity. HTPCP funding supports direct service projects. Learn more

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Rural Health Care Services Outreach Grant Program

The Federal Office of Rural Health Policy (ORHP) released the FY 15 Rural Health Care Services Outreach Grant Program funding opportunity on Sept 4, 2014. Eligible lead applicants are rural public or rural nonprofit private entities that represent a consortium of three or more organizations that deliver healthcare services in rural areas. ORHP will be holding a technical assistance webinar on Wed., Sept. 24 at 1 to 2:30 PM. The Rural Health Care Services Outreach program expands health care delivery in rural areas nationwide. Funding may be used to conduct health screenings, health fairs, education and training, and any other health service delivery activity that does not involve inpatient care. Application Deadline: Nov. 14, 2014. View opportunity

PCMH News and Articles

Partnering with Patients, Families, and Communities: An Urgent Imperative for Health Care

In April 2014, the Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation convened a meeting that brought together patients, leaders of patient advocacy organizations, healthcare educators, and leaders of healthcare organizations to make recommendations for the urgent reform of both health professions education and healthcare practice in partnership with patients, families, and communities. Participants developed recommendations for transformative action contained in this conference summary and conferees also crafted and agreed to a vision statement for health professions education and healthcare practice going forward. Read Executive Summary

Mapping Your Route To Patient-centered Medical Home Recognition

Many primary care practices wish to become patient-centered medical homes, but the transformation process can be daunting. In this edition of Progress Notes from Primary Care Progress, three experts offer some professional advice.

Do electronic health records align with patient-centered medical home initiatives?

While EHR adoption is not required to establish a Patient Centered Medical Home, having an EHR will help your organization manage the volume of documentation required to establish and sustain a PCMH. There is considerable overlap between the meaningful use of EHRs and the establishment of a PCMH, and providers who achieve meaningful use will have a jumpstart on establishing a PCMH in their organizations. Read more from HealthIT.gov

Spotlight

Congratulations to the following sites who achieved Level 3 NCQA recognition through the 2011 standards in August.

- Adena Family Medicine - Waverly (Waverly)
- NOMS-Hemeyer Bellevue (Bellevue)
- HealthSource -New Richmond Family Practice (New Richmond)
- Group Health - Anderson (Cincinnati)
- Group Health - Kenwood (Cincinnati)
- Group Health - Western Hills (Cincinnati)
- Group Health - Clifton (Cincinnati)
- Group Health - Finneytown (Cincinnati)
- Group Health - Mason (Mason)

Congratulations to the following site who achieved Level 1 NCQA recognition through the 2011 standards in August.

- Third Street Community Clinic, Inc. (Mansfield)

Do you have some PCMH news to share? We would like to highlight your achievements in this section of Ohio PCMH Weekly. Please send your submissions to PCMH@odh.ohio.gov.