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SUCCESS STORY

Healthy Chicago: A Primary Care and Public Health Collaboration

In 2011, Chicago launched Healthy Chicago, an initiative that brought together stakeholders from around the metropolitan area, including healthcare, public health, and nontraditional partners such as technology firms, philanthropic groups, and faith-based organizations, to create a public health agenda and set priorities, such as curbing tobacco use and reducing obesity rates. Healthy Chicago has since generated dozens of strategies to address its priorities, and it made its goals public as a way of inviting accountability. Read more here.

PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

The Hilltop Institute Hospital Community Benefit Program

The Hilltop Institute at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County is a nonpartisan health research organization dedicated to improving the health and wellbeing of vulnerable populations. Hilltop’s Hospital Community Benefit Program, funded by the Robert Wood Johnson and Kresge Foundations, is a central resource created specifically for state and local policymakers who seek to ensure that tax-exempt hospital community benefit activities are responsive to pressing community health needs. Products include: Hospital Community Benefits after the ACA, an issue brief series, the Community Benefit Briefing (newsletters), and the Community Benefit State Law Profiles, an interactive online resource that describes the community benefit landscape in each of the fifty states.

QUICK LINKS

All Partners List
Capturing Successes Tool
Recent Tweets Using #PCPHIntegration
Strategic Map

INTEGRATION RESOURCES
**Investing in Prevention: A National Imperative**
The Vitality Institute convened the Commission on Health Promotion and the Prevention of Chronic Disease in Working-Age Americans from May 2013 to June 2014. A diverse group of thought leaders and expert practitioners contributed their perspectives and insights through a series of private meetings and public forums. The commission has generated five recommendations, each of which includes actionable and scalable pathways to achieve the vision: Health should be embraced as a strategic imperative across sectors and as a core value in society. [Free full report available.](#)

**IOM Report: Graduate Medical Education That Meets the Nation's Health Needs**
Since the creation of the Medicare and Medicaid programs in 1965, the public has provided tens of billions of dollars to fund graduate medical education (GME), the period of residency and fellowship that is provided to physicians after they receive a medical degree. However, there is a striking absence of transparency and accountability in the GME financing system for producing the types of physicians that the nation needs. The Institute of Medicine (IOM) formed an expert committee to conduct an independent review of the governance and financing of the GME system. In its report, the committee provides recommendations and an initial roadmap for reforming the Medicare GME payment system and building an infrastructure that can drive more strategic investment in the nation’s physician workforce.

**ASTHO Profile of State Public Health, Volume Three**
Published in June 2014, this report is the only comprehensive source of information about state public health agency activities, structure, and resources. The Profile aims to define the scope of state public health services, identify variations in practice among state public health agencies, and contribute to the development of best practices in governmental public health. The full report and related materials are available for free on ASTHO's website. Additional resources include an issue brief on each chapter of the report, a set of infographics that graphically depict key findings from the report, a summary of the top 20 findings from the report, information for researchers, and more.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**HHS Awards $54.6 Million in Affordable Care Act Mental Health Services Funding**
On July 31, HHS Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell announced that $54.6 million in Affordable Care Act funding will be awarded to support 221 health centers in 47 states and Puerto Rico to establish or expand behavioral health services for more than 450,000 people nationwide. Health centers will use these new funds for efforts such as hiring new mental health professionals, adding mental health and substance use disorder health services, and employing integrated models of primary care.

**CDC Launches New Web Portal for Health System Transformation**
CDC's Office for State, Tribal, Local, and Territorial Support (OSTLTS) has launched a new web portal, Health System Transformation and Improvement Resources for Health Departments. Topics range from shared services, community benefit assessment, and accountable care organizations to public health law, workforce, return on investment, financing, and primary care and clinical care integration. In addition, to foster peer-to-peer learning, OSTLTS is building a section of the site that will feature stories related to CDC, grantee, or others' work to transform and improve the health system.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**ASTHO-Supported Primary Care and Public Health Collaborative Meetings**

**Successes Committee Meeting**
August 18, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET
Phone: 866-740-1260; Access Code: 5273153
### Measures Track of Work Committee Meeting
August 25, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm ET  
Phone: 866-740-1260; Access Code: 5273153

### Workforce Committee Meeting
August 27, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm ET  
Phone: 866-740-1260; Access Code: 5273153

### Value Proposition Committee Meeting
September 17, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm ET  
Phone: 866-740-1260; Access Code: 5273153

### All Partners Call
September 19, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm ET  
Phone: 800-749-1342; [Web Login](#)

### Resources Committee Meeting
October 16, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET  
Phone: 866-740-1260; Access Code: 5273153

### Conferences, Meetings, Presentations, and Other Important Dates

#### 2014 Community Health Institute & Expo
August 22 - 26  
San Diego, California  
[Learn more](#)

#### ASTHO Annual Meeting 2014
September 10 - 11  
Albuquerque, New Mexico  
[Learn More and Register](#)

#### American Health Care Association/National Center for Assisted Living Annual Convention and Expo
October 5 - 8  
Washington, DC  
[Learn more and Register](#)

#### National Academy for State Health Policy Conference
October 6 - 8  
Atlanta, Georgia  
[Learn more and Register](#)
ABOUT THE ASTHO-SUPPORTED PRIMARY CARE AND PUBLIC HEALTH COLLABORATIVE

The ASTHO-supported Primary Care and Public Health Collaborative is a partnership of more than 50 organizations that seeks to inform, align, and support the implementation of integration efforts. This initiative began with the creation of the 2012-2014 Primary Care and Public Health Integration Strategic Map, which filled the need for a strategic approach to integration in follow-up to the IOM report Primary Care and Public Health: Exploring Integration to Improve Population Health. The strategic map is currently being updated. View the draft map here. Please send any comments or feedback to pcphcollaborative@astho.org. For more information on the strategic map and our integration efforts, visit our website.

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