SUCCESS STORY

Indiana Health Department and Hospital Association Collaboration: INdicators Data Tool

The Indiana State Department of Health collaborated with the Indiana Hospital Association (IHA) and other partners to launch the Indiana INdicators website in December 2012. This online central hub for state and county level data is being used to help communities and their hospitals obtain the metrics they need to monitor and evaluate health. Read the complete story.

PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

AHRQ Explores Clinical-Community Relationships to Improve Delivery of Preventive Services

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality’s (AHRQ) integration efforts include a Clinical-Community Relationships Measures Atlas developed to improve the delivery of clinical preventive services, an “Evaluation Roadmap” based on a literature review and evaluation of research gaps, and the Candidate Measures Report with a suggested core set of candidate measures. In addition, AHRQ’s Health Care Innovations Exchange includes innovation profiles and tools for improving quality and reducing disparities in healthcare. For more information, visit Linking Primary Care and Resources in the Community to Improve Health.

INTEGRATION RESOURCES

Public Health and Health Care Integration Resources. This CDC Learning Connection website offers a wide range of resources from CDC and other organizations leading efforts to integrate healthcare and public health.

Viewpoints About Collaboration Between Primary Care and Public Health in Canada. This August BMC Health Services Research study suggests that understanding and managing different viewpoints held by stakeholders is important to assist change management processes required to build and maintain strong collaborations between primary care and public health. (Free full text available)
Regulatory Neutrality Is Essential to Establishing a Level Playing Field for Accountable Care Organizations. This August Health Affairs article proposes the regulatory neutrality principle as a possible means for addressing challenges faced in regulating Accountable Care Organizations. (Full article available with subscription)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASTHO launched its new President's Challenge web page with a map linking to state stories collected to date for the 2013 President's Challenge to Advance the Reintegration of Public Health and Healthcare.

Nominations for the 2013 Million Hearts Hypertension Control Challenge are being accepted through September 9. Clinicians, practices, and health systems that provide primary care and have achieved hypertension control rates greater than 70 percent are eligible to enter.

IMPORTANT DATES

ASTHO-Supported Primary Care and Public Health Collaborative Meetings

Value Proposition/Business Case Track of Work Committee Meeting
August 28, 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm ET
Phone: 866-740-1260; Access Code: 5222313

All Partners Call
September 5, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm ET
Phone: 866-740-1260, Access code: 5222306

Resources Track of Work Committee Meeting
September 6, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm ET
Phone: 866-740-1260, Access: Code: 5273153

Measures Track of Work Committee Meeting
September 9, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm ET
Phone: 866-740-1260; Access Code: 5273153

Successes Track of Work Committee Meeting
The September call is being rescheduled. Check the Successes Committee page for the updated time.

Conferences, Meetings, and Presentations

ASTHO Annual Meeting and Policy Summit
September 17-20
Orlando, Florida
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 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. For more information on the strategic map and our integration efforts visit our website.

Please submit your recommendations for newsletter content, areas of focus, and any other ideas or feedback to Albert Terrillion, ASTHO senior director of family and community health.

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