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SUCCESS STORY AND PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

American Heart Association Links Public Health and Primary Care Through Stroke Prevention Efforts

The American Heart Association (AHA) is the nation’s oldest, largest voluntary organization devoted to fighting cardiovascular diseases and stroke. In 2010, AHA partnered with the Illinois Critical Access Hospital Network to improve the quality and timeliness of stroke care in participating critical access hospitals (CAHs). Through the use of the AHA Get with the Guidelines measurement tool, and the implementation of community and professional education resources and programs, participating CAHs demonstrated steady improvement on all measures for treating qualified acute stroke patients with tissue plasminogen activator within 60 minutes of hospital arrival. AHA continues its efforts to bring together primary care and public health with yesterday's release of new guidelines that expand evidence-based treatment recommendations, offer new risk calculations for African Americans, and recommend behavioral modifications to reduce the risk of heart disease and stroke to improve population health. Read the complete Illinois story.

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INTEGRATION RESOURCES

Analytics in Health Care: Tools in the Hands of Consumers. This November 2013 Deloitte Center for Health Solutions blog post explores benefits, opportunities, and challenges for consumer decisionmaking in the Health Insurance Marketplace. Free full text available.

Nurse-Managed Health Centers and Patient-Centered Medical Homes Could Mitigate Expected Primary Care Physician Shortage. This November 2013 Health Affairs article by David I. Auerbach et al. analyzes the impact of the patient-centered medical home and the nurse-managed health center on potential primary care provider shortages. Full text available with subscription.

VNAA Best Practice in Medication Management. This VNAA Blueprint for Excellence Case Example provides a multifaceted approach to improving medication management outcomes through partnerships between home health
agencies and primary care, automatic EHR prompts, a dedicated medication management nurse, and a team-based approach. Free full text available.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Community Preventive Services Task Force recommends clinical decision-support systems for prevention of cardiovascular disease (CVD) based on sufficient evidence of effectiveness in improving screening for CVD risk factors and practices for CVD-related preventive care services, clinical tests, and treatments. Read more about the [task force finding](#).

HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius announced $150 million in awards under the Affordable Care Act to support 236 new health center sites across the country to help care for approximately 1.25 million additional patients. View the [press release](#).

## IMPORTANT DATES

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

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<td><strong>All Partners Meeting</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Measures Track of Work Committee Meeting</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Value Proposition/Business Case Track of Work Committee Meeting</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Workforce Committee Meeting</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Communications Committee Meeting</strong></td>
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Next meeting date is TBD

Conferences, Meetings, and Presentations

**Reform Matters: Making Real Progress for Women and Health Care Conference Call**
November 14, 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm ET
Learn more and register

**NASHP Webinar: Making an IMPaCT: State Models for Primary Care Transformation**
December 2, 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm ET
Learn more and register

**Preventive Medicine 2014**
February 19 - 22, 2014
New Orleans, LA
Learn more and register

**Association for Community Health Improvement National Conference**
March 5 - 7, 2014
Orlando, FL
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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