



## **Regional Collaborative Summit**

### **Meeting Summary**

**Wednesday, June 28, 2017**

**Boise State University – 1900 University Drive, Boise, Idaho**

#### **Welcome**

Dr. Ted Epperly, Chair of the Idaho Healthcare Coalition, welcomed meeting participants and thanked them for attending the meeting. Elizabeth Spaulding, facilitator, reviewed the agenda and covered a few ground rules.

#### **Future Role of Regional Collaboratives**

Dr. Epperly kicked the meeting off with a discussion on some potential changes to the Idaho Medicaid structure, and the role that the regional collaboratives (RCs) may play in this new structure after the grant ends. According to Dr. Epperly, the collaborative bridge that has been developed among the RCs is significant, and must continue. Thus it is imperative that members of the RCs begin to develop a model for the future. One proposal currently being examined is the development of the Medicaid Regional Care Organization (RCO) model, where 3-5 RCO districts would be established across the state of Idaho matching regional hospitals, primary care offices, and specialists working toward a value-based care system. These RCOs would be guided by the Community Health Outcome Initiative Coalition (CHOICe) Advisory Boards consisting of key stakeholders. Shared savings would be identified and could be used to help support RCOs and other activities to increase improved health outcomes. Dr. Epperly posed the question of how the SHIP RCs might align with Medicaid and their RCOs. One suggestion was that the RCs might inform or participate on the CHOICe Advisory Boards.

Matt Wimmer, Medicaid Administrator, explained that this proposed model is still evolving, and a variety of stakeholders are collaboratively continuing to develop it. Contracts between the State and the RCOs would outline governance and funding requirements and processes.

#### **Idaho Health Data Exchange Progress Update**

Julie Lineberger, IHDE Interim Executive Director, provided an update on IHDE's progress in connecting clinics to the data exchange, including future connections planned with payers and hospitals. Please see PowerPoint for more information.

#### **HealthTech Solutions Update**

Elizabeth Linville, Business Analyst with HealthTech Solutions (HTS), provided an HTS update and demonstration on the statewide clinic data analytics dashboard. To access the recording of her demonstration, please contact the Office of Healthcare Policy and Initiatives at [OHPI@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:OHPI@dhw.idaho.gov).

#### **MentorSHIP Update**

Kym Schreiber, SHIP PCMH Project Manager, provided an update on the subcommittee work that has occurred to identify mentorship needs and opportunities among RCs. Kym stated there are mentorship activities occurring across the state, and a critical step is to assess and document existing efforts and develop a framework for promoting additional mentorship activities. Kym identified four projects recommended to advance mentorship opportunities across the state. These include:

- 1) Development of a resource guide/toolkit to link individuals to mentorship resources
- 2) Convening a provider champion mentor panel
- 3) Development of a master list of statewide linkages
- 4) Host information-sharing webinar series

The existing framework and recommendations presented to the Idaho Healthcare Coalition were made available to all meeting participants for review.

### **Public Health District Updates**

Representatives from each Public Health District provided a brief report on the activities occurring through their RCs. Activities identified included:

- Development and delivery of PCMH trainings
- Development of mentorship opportunities that focus on sharing best practices and lessons learned
- Connections between community health workers and local clinics
- Coordination with the Behavioral Health Board to provide increased support
- Development of a web-based coordinated care directory
- Completion of a community health assessment
- Development of topical work groups to address specific, regional issues
- Development of critical partnerships among variety of providers in region
- Suicide prevention programming
- Gun safety/child safety promotion

Cynthia York, Healthcare Policies Initiatives Administrator, applauded the amazing work accomplished across the state, and expressed her desire to be able to share these successes with others. Because the RCs accomplishments can sometimes be hard to quantify through data, she asked if members would be willing to share their successes through stories, specifically showing how these efforts benefit patients. Many members agreed that highlighting the benefits of their work through patient stories is one of the best ways to promote their work. SHIP State Evaluators in attendance from Boise State University and University of Idaho explained they are currently working to interview RC members and patients to capture these stories, and they invite anyone to reach out to them for assistance in documenting and sharing their victories.

### **Facilitated Discussion**

Elizabeth Spaulding, facilitator, asked meeting participants to share questions and reactions from the information shared earlier in the meeting about the future of the RCs. One member stated they were concerned that the RCOs might narrow the population that the RCs are focused on serving. Elke Shaw-Tulloch, Public Health Administrator, explained that RCOs are currently just one option for moving forward. It will be critical to consider and promote the value added by the RCs, and ensure that this can be supported into the future.

### **Closing Remarks**

Elizabeth thanked attendees for participating and reminded everyone that materials referred to and shared at the meeting were also available on the thumb drives attached to their name tags.