The Safety Net Medical Homes Initiative

• Project Purpose

The Safety Net Medical Homes Initiative is a five-year initiative to help 65 primary care safety net sites in five states become high-performing patient-centered medical homes (PCMHs). The Initiative describes medical homes as a model of primary care delivery in which "patients receive well-coordinated services and enhanced access to a clinical team. Clinicians practicing in PCMHs use decision support tools, measure their performance, engage patients in their own care, and conduct quality improvement activities to address patients' needs. The PCMH Model has the potential to improve clinical quality, improve patient experience, and reduce health system costs."

Project Partners*

- The Commonwealth Fund
- Qualis Health
- MacColl Institute for Healthcare Innovation

• Regional Coordinating Centers and Participating Clinics

In the Initiative, five competitively selected Regional Coordinating Centers (in bold) each partner with 10-15 safety net clinics in their state and receive technical assistance to become medical homes. Assistance focuses on "practice re-design" topics such as enhanced access, care coordination, and patient experience. Centers also receive funding to support a Medical Home Facilitator who leads clinic-based quality improvement projects and other activities. [*Note:* Some clinics are part of a local network/association such as the state primary care association.]

Colorado Community Health Network

- 1. People's Clinic Boulder (Clinica Family Health Services)
- 2. Pecos medical Center Denver (*Clinica Family Health Services*)
- 3. Thornton Medical Center Thornton (*Clinica Family Health Services*)
- 4. Custer County Clinic
- 5. Gipson Eastside Family Health Center Denver (*Denver Health*)
- 6. La Casa/Quigg Newton Clinic Denver (*Denver Health*)
- 7. Sandos Westside Family Health Center Denver (*Denver Health*)
- 8. High Plains Community Health Center Lamar
- 9. Inner City Health Center Denver
- 10. Jeffco Clinic Lakewood (Metro Community Provider Network)
- 11. Alamosa Family Medical Center Alamosa (Valley Wide Health Systems)
- 12. Sierra Blanca Medical Center Alamosa (Valley Wide Health Systems)

^{*} In addition to the listed primary project partners, there are several other organizations funding this initiative.

13. Yuma Rural health Clinic - Yuma

Executive Office of Health and Human Services & Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers

- 14. Cambridge Health Alliance Revere Family Health Center Revere
- 15. Cambridge Health Alliance Union Square Family Health Center Somerville
- 16. Codman Square Health Center Dorchester
- 17. Dorchester House Multi-Service Center Dorchester
- 18. East Boston Neighborhood Health Center East Boston
- 19. Geiger-Gibson Health Center Dorchester
- 20. Greater Lawrence Family Health Center Lawrence
- 21. Hilltown Community Health Center Worthington
- 22. Holyoke Health Center Holyoke
- 23. Joseph M. Smith Community Health Center Allston
- 24. Joseph M. Smith Community Health Center Waltham
- 25. Mid-Upper Cape Health Center Hyannis
- 26. Neponset Health Center Dorchester
- 27. Whittier Street Health Center Roxbury

Idaho Primary Care Association

- 28. Family Medicine Residency of Idaho Boise
- 29. Idaho State University Family Medicine Residency Pocatello
- 30. Terry Reilly Health Services Clinic Boise
- 31. Terry Reilly Health Services Clinic Homedale
- 32. Terry Reilly Health Services Clinic Melba
- 33. Terry Reilly Health Services Clinic Nampa
- 34. Terry Reilly Health Services Clinic Caldwell
- 35. Terry Reilly Health Services Clinic Marsing
- 36. Health West, Inc. Pocatello
- 37. Health West, Inc. Aberdeen
- 38. Health West, Inc. American Falls
- 39. Clearwater Valley Hospital and Clinics Orofino
- 40. St. Mary's Hospital and Clinics Cottonwood

Oregon Primary Care Association & CareOregon

- 41. Central City Concern Portland
- 42. Community Health Center Inc. Medford
- 43. Community Health Centers of Benton and Linn County Corvallis
- 44. Community Health Centers of Lane County Eugene
- 45. Eastern Oregon Medical Associates Baker City
- 46. Klamath Health Partnership Klamath Falls
- 47. La Clínica del Cariño Hood River
- 48. Legacy Clinic Emanuel, Internal Medicine Portland
- 49. East County Health Center Gresham
- 50. Mid-County Health Center Portland

- 51. OHSU Family Medicine at Richmond Portland
- 52. OHSU Family Medicine at Scappoose Scappoose
- 53. Outside In Portland
- 54. Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center Hillsboro
- 55. Winding Waters Clinic P.C. Enterprise

Pittsburgh Regional Health Initiative

- 56. East Liberty Family Health Care Center East Liberty
- 57. East Liberty Family Health Care Center Lincoln-Lemington
- 58. Metro Family Practice
- 59. North Side Christian Health Center North Side
- 60. North Side Christian Health Center Northview Heights
- 61. Primary Health Network Beaver Falls Primary Care
- 62. Sto-Rox Neighborhood Family Health Center (Sto-Rox Neighborhood Health Council)
- 63. Hilltop Community Health Center (Sto-Rox Neighborhood Health Council)
- 64. Squirrel Hill Health Center
- 65. University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Matilda Theiss Health Center

Resources

More information about the Initiative and a variety of useful reports and tools are available online. See http://www.safetynetmedicalhome.org. For example, there is a Patient-Centered Medical Home Assessment that can help a safety net clinic determine what it will need to do to prepare for recognition as a PCMH.