Funding Opportunity: Advancing Team-based Care through Technical Assistance

Team based care is the provision of health services by a health care team who work collaboratively with patients and caregivers to accomplish shared goals across settings to achieve coordinated, high-quality care. Team based care contributes towards the quintuple aim: happier and healthier patients, higher job satisfaction, lower costs along the healthcare continuum, and reduced health disparities.

The Benefits of Team Based Care

Provider and staff survey results confirmed site visit evaluation findings related to teamwork. Participants in the Team Based Care Initiative (TBCI) see improvements in teamwork and staff burnout scores.

TBCI practices reported improvement in developing a culture of continuous QI

The improvements shown above reflect point score gains on a 1-12 scale between baseline assessment in 2015 and final assessment in 2018.
TBCI practices reported improvement in the measures below related to team based care

- Clinical support staff as regular team members
- Workflows for clinical teams documented
- Standing orders that can be acted on under protocol
- Medical assistant work roles
- Use of laypeople in care teams
- Pharmacist roles
- Medication management by clinical care team
- Behavioral health services integration
- Oral health services integration

Keys to Implementation Success Among Clinics

Here is what makes a successful applicant:
- Leadership support for TBC
- Availability of provider and staff to establish strong teams
- Clinician and staff belief in the value of TBC
- Internal champions to lead this work
- Use of technical assistance to prioritize and sustain TBC implementation

Grant Details

To be considered for funding, organizations must meet the following criteria:
- Alignment with the Foundation’s cornerstones that advance our efforts to bring health in reach for all Coloradans
- Be a nonprofit clinic or public agency that provides comprehensive primary care services to a significant population of patients who are living on low income and are uninsured and/or underinsured.
  - Urban for profit clinics must have an active caseload of at least 40% of Medicaid clients with a low profit margin.
  - For profit rural or frontier clinics must have at least 30% Medicaid clients
- Provide integrated health care services through teams composed of behavioral, physical and/or oral health care providers
- Ability to demonstrate strong clinic leadership buy-in and support for planning and implementing teambased care

How to Apply

The Colorado Rural Health Center is available to provide technical assistance for your application. Contact us today to receive free assistance with the composition, planning, editing, and submission of your Team Based Care Initiative Application!

Application Deadline: October 15, 2021

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Health Equity to Advance Team Based Care

TCHF supports individuals and organizations as they develop and strengthen the skills necessary to advocate for and promote a more equitable health environment. Technical assistance will be provided through this grant to advance health equity in the primary care setting and a third organizational consultant will be working with each grantee to do be a thought partner and provide customized support to participating clinics that will lead to care that meets patients’ cultural and linguistic needs.

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