

# Connecticut State Innovation Model Work Stream Update



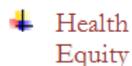
Council/ Work Stream	Major Topics Covered	Progress/ Outputs	Next Steps	Upcoming Meetings
<b>COUNCILS/ TASKFORCES/ COMMITTEES</b>				
<p><b>Healthcare Innovation Steering Committee (HISC)</b></p>	<p><b>Equity &amp; Access Council – Under-service</b></p> <p><b>Medicaid Quality Improvement &amp; Shared Savings Program</b></p> <p><b>Conflict of Interest policy</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nominations to the HIT Council were reviewed</li> <li>• Presentation on the Equity and Access Council's <a href="#">report</a> on <a href="#">recommendations</a> regarding safeguards against under-service and patient selection in the context of shared savings payment arrangements.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Presentation</a> on the recent legislative session and budget implications for the Medicaid Quality Improvement and Shared Savings Program (MQISSP). Taking into consideration federal share, the full funding requested by DSS will be available to support payments to FQHCs that are selected to participate in MQISSP.</li> <li>• Final <a href="#">conflict of interest policy</a> was presented. SIM governance members will be asked to sign the new policy to continue participation on SIM workgroups.</li> <li>• The <a href="#">PowerPoint presentation</a> includes an overview of the Equity &amp; Access Council's report and the conflict of interest policy.</li> <li>• The video of this meeting can be viewed <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Equity &amp; Access Council's <a href="#">report</a> will be published for 30 day public comment on August 11. Details will be published on the website and in the SIM News.</li> <li>• Tentative agenda for August 13<sup>th</sup> meeting includes EAC nomination, review and discussion of emerging CCIP model, and proposed rapid response team (RRT) composition, and Consumer Advisory Board Goals and Objectives for Consumer Engagement</li> </ul>	<p>8/13/2015</p>
<p><b>Consumer Advisory Board (CAB)</b></p>	<p><b>CAB objectives and communication plan</b></p> <p><b>Conflict of Interest policy</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A writing group was held to create the <a href="#">CAB Objectives and Goals for Consumer Engagement and Communication</a>, which was presented to the CAB during their regular monthly meeting.</li> <li>• There was an update on SIM Activities and the Conflict of Interest Policy</li> <li>• The video of the meeting can be viewed <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning for Rural Health Forum in September, hosted by the Windham Regional Community Council and Generations</li> <li>• Planning to have an Asian Community Listening Session in August or October, hosted by National Cambodian American Health initiative</li> </ul>	<p>8/11/15</p>



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<b>Equity and Access Council (EAC)</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Equity and Access Council report was presented to the HISC and the MAPOC Care Management Committee, which may review further in August.</li> <li>• July meeting was cancelled. Comments of the HISC and MAPOC Care Management Committee will be considered along with public comment in September.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Equity &amp; Access Council's <a href="#">report</a> will be published for 30 day public comment on August 11. Details will be published on the website and in the SIM News.</li> </ul>	
<b>Quality Council (QC)</b>	<p><b>Quality measure selection process</b></p> <p><b>Cardiac measures</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion of Quality Council Guiding Principles.</li> <li>• Presentation of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation <a href="#">Buying Value Tool</a> to assist with the third and last phase of quality measure review</li> <li>• Reviewed approach to using the Buying Value Tool as part of the Level 3 culling process</li> <li>• Reviewed cardiac measures, including newly NQF endorsed cardiac measures</li> <li>• The meeting PowerPoint can be viewed <a href="#">here</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begin third and last phase of measure review.</li> <li>• Aim of presenting provisional measure set to the Steering Committee in September, and subsequently posting for public comment.</li> </ul>	8/12/15, 9/2/15
<p><b>Care Management Committee (CMC)</b></p> <p><b>(A sub- committee of <a href="#">MAPOC</a>)</b></p>	<p><b>Medicaid Quality Improvement &amp; Shared Savings Program</b></p> <p><b>Quality Measures</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Convened quality measure webinar 2 covering the proposed quality measure set for the MQISSP.</li> <li>• Discussed the Benefits in the Shared Savings Calculation for the MQISSP.</li> <li>• Discussed Equity and Access Council's <a href="#">report</a> on <a href="#">recommendations</a> regarding safeguards against under-service and patient selection in the context of shared savings payment arrangements.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review stakeholder suggested quality measures and finalize the quality measure set for the MQISSP in the next quality measure webinar.</li> </ul>	<p>QM Webinar 3: August 20, 2015</p> <p>CMC Meeting for MQISSP: August 26, 2015</p>



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<b>SIM WORK STREAMS / PROGRAMS / INITIATIVES</b>		
<b>Population Health Planning (DPH)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) oversampling began July 1 with an increase sample size of 5,500 complete interviews and additions of questions related to food security, housing and built environment to support population health planning. Four questions will be added to support population health planning and include questions on food insecurity, housing insecurity, and the built environment. Using funds from another grant, and in partnership with the Hartford Health Department, a pilot post-BRFSS survey in Hartford, CT also started on July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015. With success, additional post-BRFSS surveys will be possible in future years within selected towns to support population health planning.</li> <li>Contract language and budgets are developed for the three contracts supporting population health planning. Each are administratively initiated or near completion. The MOA with the UConn State Data Center was executed and the UConn State Data Center has begun work on the project. The Health Resources in Action contract to facilitate the Population Health Council is has received approvals and is in process. Negotiations with ICF Macro for enhanced Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) sampling was completed and Office of Policy &amp; Management (OPM) approvals have been received to enter into this contract.</li> <li>Department of Public Health is in process of recruiting for 3 core positions that will provide resource and staffing under contractual arrangement to support population health planning. Candidates continue to be screened for the physician position. An offer has been made to a data epidemiologist position and the secretary positions filled. Additionally, a request to establish an Epidemiologist 2 Prevention Services Coordinator and Health Program Associate position has been submitted and is awaiting approval and/or posting.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Execute contracts with contractors Health Resources in Action for Population Health Council facilitation.</li> <li>Complete interviews and hiring for the 2 contractual positions; receive approval for establishment of the Epidemiologist 2 position and health program associate position.</li> <li>Conduct interviews and select candidate for Primary Prevention Services Coordinator</li> <li>Monitor initiation of enhanced BRFSS activities by the contractor.</li> <li>Begin work on the first phase of the population estimates project. The UConn State Data Center will identify and acquire datasets which provide town level demographic data which include (when possible) age, sex, race, and Hispanic or Latino origin.</li> </ul>

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<b>Medicaid Quality Improvement and Shared Savings Program (MQISSP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholdered the Benefits in the Shared Savings Calculation element of the MQISSP with the MAPOC Care Management Committee.</li> <li>Held the second quality measure webinar between DSS and the MAPOC Care Management Committee to discuss adult quality measures and certain SIM quality measures for the MQISSP.</li> <li>Discussed the different shared savings calculation methodologies for the MQISSP.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hold quality measure webinar 3 with DSS and the MAPOC Care Management Committee to cover stakeholder suggested quality measures for the MQISSP</li> <li>Continue to discuss and develop program elements of the MQISSP (e.g. shared savings calculation).</li> </ul>
<b>Value-based Insurance Design</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PMO and OSC drafted responses to questions received from potential respondents to VBID RFP. Q&amp;A was posted to web portal on 7/24/15</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RFP responses due 7/31/15</li> <li>Proceed with evaluation and selection</li> </ul>
<b>UCONN Community Health Worker (CHW) Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MOA for UConn Health finalized</li> <li>Stakeholder Engagement meetings held with CHN, HealthyCT, Community Colleges, CHCACT, CT DPH, CHA</li> <li>Submitted OHA newsletter update CHW</li> <li>Initiate discussion with agency interested in being a CHW apprenticeship site.</li> <li>Attended Unity Conference, Memphis, TN July 13-15.</li> <li>Working with NERHEC about expanded research to NE on Payment for CHWs. Interested in supporting apprenticeship.</li> <li>Met with DPH Asthma, Wise Woman and Breast and Cervical Cancer EDP programs about use of CHWs in CT.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initiate subcontract for SWAHEC</li> <li>Initiate hiring process for Administrative Program Assistant and Fiscal Coordinator</li> <li>Prepare CHW apprenticeship SOW for CT DOL</li> </ul>

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<b>UCONN Evaluation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluation MOA has been signed by all parties</li> <li>• Data storage hardware is being acquired and installed</li> <li>• Rapid Response Team (RRT) Charter and Composition is being reformatted for presentation to HISC in August</li> <li>• Dashboard development is underway</li> <li>• In process of obtaining updated HIDD data</li> <li>• Sent data owners Dashboard Product Document for review and comment</li> <li>• Preliminary dashboard data analysis underway</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Present RRT Charter and Composition document to Steering committee in August meeting</li> <li>• Dashboard data acquisition and Analysis continued</li> <li>• metrics</li> <li>• Continued development of Dashboard</li> <li>• Continued development of MOA with Yale</li> <li>• Contact payers to begin discussion of data collection needs to support dashboard</li> </ul>
<b>Advanced Medical Home (AMH) Vanguard Program</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Created an “At a Glance” <a href="#">document</a> regarding the AMH Glide Path and Vanguard Program, as well as the initial <a href="#">list</a> of participating practices.</li> <li>• Nearly 40 practices have been recruited to date.</li> <li>• Deadline to apply extended to August 31, 2015.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue recruitment of advanced networks and their affiliated practices, and independent practices</li> <li>• Review new applications</li> <li>• Complete Transformation Services Agreements with new, eligible applicants</li> <li>• Hold meeting with DSS, CHNCT, Qualidigm, and the SIM PMO regarding coordination between the Advanced Medical Home Vanguard program and the DSS PCMH program.</li> </ul>

## ACRONYMS

**APCD** – All-Payers Claims Database

**BRFSS** – Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System

**CAB** – Consumer Advisory Board

**CCIP** – Clinical & Community Integration Program

**CHW** – Community Health Worker

**CMC** – Care Management Committee

**CMMI** – Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovations

**DPH** – Department of Public Health

**DSS** – Department of Social Services

**EAC** – Equity and Access Council

**EHR** – Electronic Health Record

**HISC** – Healthcare Innovation Steering Committee

**HIT** – Health Information Technology

**MAPOC** – Medical Assistance Program Oversight Council

**MOA** – Memorandum of Agreement

**MQISSP** – Medicaid Quality Improvement and Shared Savings Program

**PCMH** – Patient Centered Medical Home

**PMO** – Program Management Office

**PTTF** – Practice Transformation Task Force

**QC** – Quality Council

**SIM** – State Innovation Model

**FQHC** – Federally Qualified Health Center

**RFP** – Request for Proposals

**OSC** – Office of the State Comptroller

**VBID** – Value-based Insurance Design

**The purpose of this document is to raise awareness among members of SIM Governance and SIM-funded work stream leads so that they can stay up-to-date about SIM progress, understand their work in context, and spot inter-dependencies where collaboration or coordination may be beneficial**

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 Health Equity

 Healthcare Quality

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