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More Than \$914,000 Distributed to 57 AHI PPS Partner Organizations in Pay-for-Reporting Cycle 7.0

The AHI PPS distributed \$914,771.83 to 57 partner organizations in DSRIP pay-for-reporting cycle 7.0. We're pleased to report the total amount distributed during the entire pay-for-reporting period now stands at slightly more than \$12.5 million. Kudos to all PPS collaborators for your continued hard work.

Message from State Medicaid Director Jason Helgerson

Dear DSRIP Nation:

As you may have heard, I have decided to resign from my position effective April 6. It has been a tremendous honor to help lead New York's effort to fundamentally transform Medicaid and health care. Together we have made the world a better place through innovation and hard work. While much has been accomplished there is still much left to do! I want to make clear that my departure will have NO impact on this important mission. The Department of Health and its leadership remains 100-percent committed to the causes of MRT, DSRIP and VBP.

While I am sad to go, I am so bullish about our state's collective future. Delivery systems across our state are changing and health outcomes are measurably improved. Organizations are working together as never before and as a result the system is really starting to work like a seamless, patient-centered delivery system focused on results. I can't wait to see what the future has in store for your collective work. Know that I will be cheering you on as you show the world that collaborative, accountable care that meaningfully addresses the social determinants of health, improves health care outcomes as well as community health.

I wish you all the very best,

Jason Helgerson

Workforce Impact Analysis Due by April 10

Health care transformation through DSRIP includes transforming the health care workforce to ensure we have staff prepared to achieve the goals of improved patient experiences and overall population health.

As such, PPSs are required to report on milestones which measure workforce impact and how PPSs are doing with implementation strategies. Twice each year, for quarters ending in March and September, each PPS is required to submit data to DOH related to workforce impact, specifically the hiring, retraining, and redeployment of staff. This milestone also has an attached achievement value, requiring completion by all partners. The current reporting period is October 1, 2017, through March 31, 2018.

The reporting template and Move-It instructions were sent to partners on March 5 and are due to our vendor, Blue Fox Fire, by Tuesday, April 10.

If you have any questions, contact Jessica Maguire at jmaguire@ahihealth.org.

New Clinical Integration/Integrated Delivery System Course Available in HealthStream

One of the overarching mandates for PPSs is to create a system of clinical integration and interoperability that has the potential to provide more information about a population and its individuals. AHI has developed a course, *Clinical Integration and the Integrated Delivery System*, directed at all providers of care and services with the goal of delivering information on the design and eventual implementation of such a system.

The course is available for all AHI PPS HealthStream users. Upon logging in, you will see the course in your “to do” list.

Users also have access to an extensive library of courses, including training on customer service, eldercare, human resources, management, marketing, and mental health, to name a few; many of which offer continuing education (CE) credits.

If you are not an AHI PPS HealthStream user and would like help registering for this useful resource, contact Chelsea Truehart at ctruehart@ahihealth.org.

National Council on Aging Learning Collaboratives Announced, Application Deadline Mar. 19

The National Council on Aging’s Center for Healthy Aging has announced the kick-off of two 2018-19 learning collaboratives.

The [Network Development Learning Collaborative \(NDLC\)](#) will provide support to develop network hub partnerships with community-based organizations.

Complete the [NDLC application](#) by close of business, Monday, March 19.

The [Medicare Reimbursement Learning Collaborative \(MRLC\)](#) will provide support to pursue Medicare Part B reimbursement for diabetes self-management training, health and behavior assessment and intervention, and chronic care management.

Complete the [MRLC application](#) by close of business, Monday, March 19.

Contact Marissa Whitehouse at marissa.whitehouse@ncoa.org with NDLC questions and Katie Zuke at kathleen.zuke@ncoa.org with MRLC questions.

Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) 12-Hour Training, Mar. 20-21 in Johnstown

A free two-day, 12-hour training program, *Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)*, is being held 9:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 20, and Wednesday, March 21, at the HFM Prevention Council in Johnstown.

SBIRT is an integrated, public health approach to the delivery of early intervention and treatment services for persons with substance use disorders and those at risk of developing such disorders.

Read the [training flyer](#) for more information.

[Register](#) for the training program. Breakfast and lunch will be provided.

If you have any questions, contact Rebecca Evansky at revansky@ahihealth.org.

Last Chance to Register: Becoming a Health Literate Organization, Mar. 26 in Lake Placid

Don't miss your last opportunity to register for the AHI PPS cultural competency and health literacy training program, *Becoming a Health Literate Organization*, being held 9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m., Monday, March 26, at The Crowne Plaza in Lake Placid.

Conducted by Jennifer Manganello, PHD, MPH, and Greg Owens, LMSW, the session is aimed at an extensive array of individuals and organizations involved in the delivery, coordination and support of health care services including clinicians, administrative staff and other professionals from hospitals, community health centers, group practices, clinics, pharmacies, dental offices, specialty care units, payers, and more. Participants will learn how to integrate health literacy into strategic and operational planning, goals and measures, and quality improvement efforts.

Learn more and [register](#) for the session.

If you have any questions, contact Melissa Davey at mdavey@ahihealth.org.

Project TEACH Educational Dinner, Mar. 28 in Glens Falls

AHI is hosting a "Dinner and Learn" educational opportunity spotlighting *Project TEACH*, a New York State Office of Mental Health-funded program focused on strengthening and supporting pediatric primary care providers (PCPs) in delivering care to children and families who experience mild-to-moderate mental health issues. The target audience for this event includes primary care providers, office managers, Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) champions, and other appropriate staff members.

The no-cost learning session will be held 5:30 — 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 28, at the Queensbury Hotel in Glens Falls. Dinner will be provided.

Learn more and [register](#) for the event.

If you have any questions, contact Jolene Munger at jmunger@ahihealth.org.

Two-Day Motivational Interviewing Training Offered Next Month in Gloversville

A two-day *Motivational Interviewing (MI)* training program designed to help health care staff encourage patients to make positive health behavior changes is being held next month at the Paul Nigra Center for Creative Arts in Gloversville.

Presented by Dr. Daniel Mullin, Assistant Professor, Department of Family Medicine and Community Health, University of Massachusetts Medical School, the program will help participants gain knowledge about “The Spirit of Motivational Interviewing,” clinical empathy, and MI skills that will help them motivate patients to engage in healthy behaviors.

Each MI training will be followed by an opportunity to participate in coaching calls to strengthen skills, problem solve, and share successes.

- Session 1: April 12 *or* 13, 8:30 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.
- Session 2: April 25 *or* 26, 8:30 a.m. — 12:00 p.m.

[Register](#) for the training program.

Dinner and Learn Rescheduled: Improving Communication with Patients Through Cultural Competency and Health Literacy Best Practices, May 21 in Lake Placid

The AHI PPS “Dinner and Learn” event for physicians, nurses, clinical care workers and other health care professionals, *Improving Communications with Patients Through Cultural Competency and Health Literacy Best Practices*, has been rescheduled. Originally slated for March 26, the session will now be held 5:00 — 8:00 p.m., Monday, May 21, at The Crowne Plaza in Lake Placid.

The event will focus on identifying strategies and opportunities for incorporating health-literate practices into patient interactions.

Learn more and [register](#) for the event.

If you have any questions, Contact Melissa Davey at mdavey@ahihealth.org.

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