



## AHI PPS DSRIIP News

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### **Third Round of Innovation Funding Available for AHI PPS Partner Organizations**

A third round of innovation funding is now available for AHI PPS partner organizations. Multi-partner applications are required for this round of funding and the lead applicant must be a safety-net provider.

Applications must be submitted to AHI no later than Friday, August 10, 2018.

Visit [AHI PPS Innovation Fund Round 3](#) to access the online application, budget template, and frequently asked questions.

If you have any questions, including inquiring about an organization's safety-net status, email [dsriipahi@ahihealth.org](mailto:dsriipahi@ahihealth.org).

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## **10<sup>th</sup> Annual AHI Summit, Celebrating a Decade of Excellence: Improving Health Outcomes, Sept. 27 in Lake Placid**

Join us for the North Country's premier health care conference as Adirondack Health Institute hosts its 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Summit, *Celebrating a Decade of Collaborative Excellence: Improving Health Outcomes*, 8:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m., Thursday, September 27, at the Lake Placid Conference Center.

Gregory Allen, Director, Division of Program Development and Management, New York State Department of Health, is this year's keynote presenter. Other program highlights include a panel of regional experts sharing collaborative approaches for tackling the social determinants of health in a rural region and the awarding of 2018 Rural Health Champions by the Adirondack Rural Health Network.

Visit [10<sup>th</sup> Annual AHI Summit](#), for complete event details.

[Register](#) for the conference.

If you have any questions, or are interested in becoming an event sponsor, contact Courtney Shaler at [cshaler@ahihealth.org](mailto:cshaler@ahihealth.org).

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## **Medicaid Redesign Efforts Yielding Measurable Reductions in Avoidable Hospital Use**

The New York State Department of Health recently announced that through the Medicaid Accelerated eXchange (MAX) Series, avoidable hospital use for the state's most vulnerable patients has been significantly reduced.

The objective of the MAX Series, launched in 2015, is to empower hospital and community partners in their care redesign efforts, increase patient and workforce satisfaction and reduce avoidable hospitalizations.

More than 900 professionals from 68 hospitals and 11 community-based practices from around the state, including the AHI PPS, have participated in the series to date and early results among teams are showing an 18-percent reduction in hospital readmissions and an eight-percent reduction in hospitalizations overall.

Read the complete [news release](#).

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## **Actively Engaged Update**

For DSRIIP Years 4 and 5, AHI will be collecting actively engaged-related data for Projects [3.a.i](#) (Integration of Primary Care and Behavioral Health Services) and [3.g.i](#) (Integration of Palliative

Care into the Patient-Centered Medical Home Model) at the end of quarters two and four. A reminder email will be sent to project participants during the final month of those quarters.

For those involved in Project 3.a.i, the metric stating that at least 90 percent of patients receive preventive care screening, including behavioral health screening (PHQ-2 or 9 for those screening positive, SBIRT), at an established project site, is the last one we need to reach to complete milestone 3.

If you have any questions, contact Jolene Munger at [jmunger@ahihealth.org](mailto:jmunger@ahihealth.org).

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## **Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) Training, July 18 in Glens Falls**

Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (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 these disorders.

AHI and the Council for Prevention are hosting a four-hour SBIRT training session for primary care and behavioral health providers on Wednesday, July 18, at the Queensbury Hotel in Glens Falls. Registration for the session begins at 8:00 a.m.

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

[Register](#) for the session.

If you have any questions, contact Rebecca Evansky at [revansky@ahihealth.org](mailto:revansky@ahihealth.org).

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## **Save the Date – Volume to Value: The Power of Data in Value Based Payment, Sept. 20 in Glens Falls**

The AHI PPS, Alliance for Better Health, and Better Health for Northeast New York are hosting the third in a series of value-based payment workshops, *Volume to Value: The Power of Data in Value Based Payment*, Thursday, September 20, at the Queensbury Hotel.

Read the [training flyer](#) for more information and stay tuned for more details to come.

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