

News from the COLLABORATIVE

Central Ohio Pathways HUB Releases 2nd RFP

Since January of 2019, the Central Ohio Pathways HUB has experienced tremendous growth and success with new leadership at the Healthcare Collaborative of Greater Columbus and our six current Care Coordination Agencies: Physicians Care Connection, CelebrateOne, PrimaryOne Health, Wellness First, Franklin County Public Health and The Breathing Association.

Based on the strong foundation we have established, interest from other agencies in the community, and the need we see in Central Ohio, HCGC's Central Ohio Pathways HUB is pleased to announce this second round of Requests for Proposals for agencies in Central Ohio interested and ready to become a part of the HUB model. This Request for Proposals is designed to complement and add to the HCGC network of Care Coordination Agencies that will continue to implement and grow the robust, outcome-oriented Pathways Community HUB Model to address health disparities and help residents connect to community and clinical resources to measurably improve their health and well-being.

Important Dates and Deadlines:

- **July 15, 2019:** RFP Release
- **July 16-19, 2019:** Question and Answer Period
- **July 22, 2019:** Question and Answer Document Posted
- **August 2, 2019: RFP Due**
- **August 9, 2019:** New Care Coordination Agencies Announced
- **August 21-23:** New Community Health Worker Onboarding
- **September 1, 2019:** New CCAs and CHWs Go Live!

[Access the RFP](#)

Featured Article

A closer look at the Central Ohio Hospital Council report's second identified health priority: Income and poverty

Struggling to pay for housing and food can be linked to a number of health issues. As one example of this problem, the percent of Franklin County households spending a significant percentage (at least 30%) of their income on housing has increased over time. HealthMap 2019 reports 31.9% of Franklin County households have housing costs above 30% of household income. That's up from 26.3% reported in HealthMap 2016 and 27.9% reported in HealthMap 2013.

The percentage of food insecure households, defined as a lack of access to enough food for an active, healthy lifestyle, has remained steady in Franklin County (17.4% of households reported in HealthMap 2019 compared to 17.7% in HealthMap 2016). However Franklin County compares worse than Ohio data (16.0%) and U.S. data (13.4%). Franklin County children living in food insecure households has slightly improved (20.4% reported in HealthMap 2019 over 22.3% in HealthMap 2016). However Franklin County data is worse than U.S. data, where 17.9% of children live in a food insecure household.

Income also impacts the overall health and wellbeing of central Ohio families. The percentage of Franklin County families living below the federal poverty level has remained steady of the past several years, reported at 12.5% of families in HealthMap 2019. However that is higher than Ohio data (11.2%) and U.S. data (11.0%). The percentage of Franklin County children living below the federal poverty level has increased over time, reported at 24.5% of children in HealthMap 2019, up from 21.2% in HealthMap 2013.

The ethnicity, age, and gender breakdowns of the population living below the federal poverty level in Franklin County is below:

Ethnicity

Black or African American, 40%
White, 47%
Other, 13%

Age

Under 5 years, 13%
5 to 17 years, 22%
18 to 34 years, 32%
35 to 64 years, 27%
65 years and over 6%

Gender

Female, 54%
Male, 46%



[Download the HealthMap](#)



**Calling all
Health Leaders
and Decision
Makers in
Central Ohio...**

**August 7, 2019
8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Franklin University
Ross Auditorium in
Alumni Hall**

August Regional Learning Session: Population Health

In follow up to our April Regional Learning Session on Population Health, we are convening to build on the momentum and begin work towards creating a regional plan for Population Health in Central Ohio.

To establish a benchmark at the regional level, we are asking attendees to take the Pathways to Population Compass Assessment, which will guide our goal setting and action planning for the day.

All attendees are asked to save their results, as they will be used at an aggregate level to help us determine where we currently stand as a region.

**SEATING IS LIMITED AND REGISTRATION IS
REQUIRED FOR THIS FREE EVENT.**



[Take the Assessment](#)

[Register for Session](#)

Insights from the HCGC Blog

Using Technology to Strengthen Information Sharing

Between Clinical and Social Service Organizations in our Community

by Carrie Baker, President and CEO, HCGC



For the last several years, the Healthcare Collaborative of Greater Columbus (HCGC) has been working with community partners to work within what we call a "medical neighborhood" so we strengthen information sharing and relationships between clinical and social service organizations in our community,

Because of our partners' strong commitment to this work we all, as individuals and as a community, have learned so much and embarked on improving quality, value and patient experience by collaborating in our community with the assistance of CliniSync's technology platform to exchange patient data.

We recognize that patient healthcare outcomes are dependent on so much more than what happens inside a primary care or hospital's physical space. Environmental, social and behavioral factors deeply influence health and healthcare status and are often sighted as a reason many people can't achieve optimal health, both in our region and across the state and country.

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Monthly Meeting Reschedule



NEW DATE!!

HCGC AUGUST MONTHLY WEBINAR

TOPIC: A Briefing on Ohio's State Budget as it Relates to Healthcare, including:

- Ohio Department of Medicaid
- Ohio Department of Health
- Ohio Department of Mental Health

DATE: Tuesday, August 13

TIME: 10:00 - 11:30 AM

FEATURING: HCGC Board & Staff

 **Healthcare Collaborative**
of Greater Columbus

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Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute Featured Research



Collaborative Goal Setting with or without Community Health Worker Support for Patients with Multiple Chronic Conditions

Ongoing health problems, such as diabetes or high blood pressure, are on the rise in the United States. Setting goals and breaking them down into smaller steps may help patients manage these ongoing health problems.

In this study, the research team wanted to learn if goal setting with support from a community health worker, or CHW, helped patients work on their goals and improve their health. CHWs are people from the community trained to help others with their health needs. All patients in the study set goals with their doctors. The team compared patients who had CHW support for meeting these goals with those who didn't have such support.

What were the results?

After nine months, patients with and without CHW support didn't differ in how they rated their physical health. Patients in both groups had higher ratings of physical health at the end of the study. **Compared with patients who didn't have CHW support, those who did reported higher quality of health care. Patients with CHW support were also less likely to have more than one hospital stay during the study or return to the hospital in the same month if they did have a hospital stay.**

[Read More on PCORI's Website](#)

Upcoming Events from Our Partners

Network for Regional Healthcare Improvement (NRHI) presents their annual

National Affordability Summit

Featuring Keynote Speaker: Christopher Koller, President of Milbank Memorial Fund and bringing together top thought leaders and change makers taking action and creating urgency for affordable healthcare.

[Details & Registration](#)



Articles of Interest

[Editorial: New transit models lift disabled, carry rural workers to work](#)

[Nurture Columbus - Summer 2019 Newsletter](#)

[Maternal Mortality Isn't Getting the Attention It Deserves](#)

[Advancing Equity in Health Systems by Addressing Racial Justice](#)

[Ohioans have lost more than one million years of life due to drug overdose since 2009](#)

Monthly Meeting Resources

Following each Monthly Meeting and Regional Learning Session, the agenda, speaker information, slide deck and other relevant resources are uploaded to the HCGC website for your reference.

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NRHI Sustaining QI Work Bundle

Access easily accessible learning modules with short videos and key takeaways on topics related to sustaining QI initiatives and foundational QI programming.

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