



FIELD TESTING GROUP DESCRIPTIONS

Colorado Cross-Agency Collaborative

Colorado Department of Human Services, Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, and Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, have leveraged data collection and reporting of metrics to align and establish priority efforts, improve collaboration and target interventions to improve health. The Cross Agency Collaborative work supports alignment and sharing of information across agencies to reduce duplicative data collection, leverage integration strategies for a long-term vision of cross-agency measurement, evaluation of policies, and aligned programming to achieve the Governors Health Initiatives in Colorado.

Community Service Council of Tulsa

The Community Service Council of Tulsa (CSC) provides leadership for planning and mobilizing efforts that improve the lives of thousands of Oklahomans each day. Since 1941 CSC has been bringing people together to research, plan, coordinate and mobilize action, and assess progress towards addressing the most critical social service, health, education and civic challenges. There are many programs, partnerships and initiatives under the Community Service Council umbrella. All are part of the Council's overall strategy to focus on prevention and invest in people across the lifespan.

Designing a Strong and Healthy NY (DASH-NY)

The Designing a Strong and Healthy New York (DASH-NY) Chronic Disease Prevention Coalition and Policy Center at The New York Academy of Medicine was launched with support from the New York State Department of Health in April 2010 to address obesity and chronic disease prevention through policy, systems, and environmental changes. DASH-NY brings together partners from multiple sectors to develop sustainable, cross-cutting strategies to prevent chronic disease and promote well-being across New York State.

Empire Health Foundation

As a neutral, trusted convener, the Empire Health Foundation incubated the formation of Better Health Together. Better Health Together's mission is to radically improve the region's health through innovative and collaborative action. BHT partners with regional leaders representing the multiple sectors to drive a common agenda to improve population health. Better Health Together is governed by representatives of urban and rural health care systems, public health leaders, education, human services, housing and economic development organizations who are creating a new model of health in the seven county region in eastern Washington.

Geneva Tower Health Collaborative

Geneva Tower is an apartment complex in Cedar Rapids, Iowa which houses low income elderly and/or disabled adults. Mercy Medical Center (Mercy) and Abbe Center for Community Mental Health (Abbe) provide programs and services to individuals living at Geneva Tower. Both organizations work closely with the management of Geneva Tower to ensure strong working relationships with the individuals who reside there. By providing services and support on site, Mercy and Abbe reduce barriers to care, including a lack of transportation and finances.

Kanawha Coalition for Community Health Improvement

Founded in 1994 the Kanawha Coalition for Community Health Improvement (KCCHI) represents the county's hospitals, behavioral health facility, federally qualified health center, United Way, health department, school system, business alliance, state wellness council and bureau for public health. KCCHI identifies and evaluates health risks, coordinating resources for measurable health improvements in Kanawha County, WV. KCCHI's triennial community health needs assessment (CHNA) guides its work. KCCHI workgroups facilitate solutions around priority issues like obesity, nutrition, drug abuse, and physical activity. Its CHNA informs other organizations' strategic planning and grant writing efforts and research efforts of medical and public health students.

Michigan Health Improvement Alliance

The Michigan Health Improvement Alliance (MiHIA) is a non-profit, 501c3, multi-stakeholder organization operating as a regional, 14-county integrator organization serving a population of nearly 800,000 in central Michigan. Their mission is to improve the health and the well-being of people within the region through effective use of information and collaboration. MiHIA's efforts established the region as a community of health excellence through a comprehensive focus on population health, patient experience and the cost of care.

Oberlin Community Services and The Institute for eHealth Equity

Oberlin Community Services (OCS) and The Institute for eHealth Equity (IeHE) along with Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, Urban Health Institute, Lorain County General Health District have formed the OCS/IeHE Collaborative. Oberlin Community Services (OCS) is a nonprofit community services organization that has been serving the health and wellness needs of the residents of Oberlin, Ohio and southern Lorain County, Ohio for 60 years. They are increasingly providing a full spectrum of services to promote self-sufficiency.

Trenton Health Team, Inc.

Trenton Health Team, Inc. is a community-based health improvement collaborative serving the six ZIP codes of Trenton, New Jersey. The collaborative is comprised of Capital Health, St. Francis Medical Center, the City of Trenton Department of Health, and Henry J. Austin Health Center. Their CHNA process revealed the impact of social determinants, including poverty, trauma, low levels of educational attainment, linguistic and cultural barriers, mental health, and safety concerns on the health of city residents. THT, in combination with their Community Advisory Board, sustain their collaboration to eliminate these disparities, improve the quality of life for the community and fulfill their vision to make Trenton the healthiest city in the state.

The University of Chicago Medicine Population Health Management Transformation

The University of Chicago Medicine has embarked on a three year strategy to transform its care delivery model which among many changes, includes integrating its community-facing brand, the Urban Health Initiative (UHI) through which population health management and community benefit are executed in collaboration with community health centers, community hospitals, community based organizations, local schools, churches and other entities, into the its Population Health Management strategy. Additionally, the UCM population health management strategy includes creating an integrated care delivery network to include two of its community partners, St. Bernard Hospital and Friend Family Health Center.