

On the Horizon

Bronx PPS Collaborative Pushes to Improve Information Sharing Consent Rates

To fully support the diverse health needs of Bronx residents, healthcare providers must work together, which is only possible when information can be efficiently shared. It is therefore important that all patients consent to their information being shared through a Health Information Exchange like the Bronx RHIO.

BPHC is part of a collaborative of all four of the Bronx-based PPSs, which is now working to increase the rates of consent across the Bronx. Representatives from each PPS's providers, community-based organizations (CBOs), and Cultural Competency Work Groups will meet to gain a deeper understanding of how best to communicate the importance of providing consent to patients.

The collaboration has also agreed upon a strategy to improve consent rates. This will involve monitoring consent rates of PPS members, spreading best practices of providers with high consent rates, and developing and facilitating trainings for both providers and CBOs about how to educate patients about the benefits of consent.

Startup Funds Distribution Guided by Request for Information (RFI)

For BPHC's partners, meeting the requirements of DSRIP projects will require additional resources. BPHC is now working towards distributing startup funds to the largest providers of primary care in our PPS.

Startup funds will help these organizations make the upfront investments necessary to build robust primary care teams, establish care management services, and improve IT interconnectivity and analytics—all required for successful implementation of the DSRIP projects.

The process is being guided by a Request for Information (RFI) to help BPHC assess these providers' resource needs, taking into account patient attribution and the ability to fill priority positions and invest in IT capabilities. The CSO has reviewed the RFIs submitted by the largest primary care providers and presented the plan for startup funds allocation to the Executive Committee on Thursday, January 28th. We anticipate beginning to distribute funds this spring.

As the distribution of startup funds to the largest primary care providers moves ahead, the CSO will also be developing a strategy to support the smaller and non-traditional practices and community-based organizations in our PPS.

In Case You Missed It

BPHC Awarded Full Funding for DY1 Quarter 2

Because BPHC has reached all of the milestones and goals set for DY1 Quarter 2, BPHC has been awarded full credit for its second quarterly report. Our PPS received the maximum funding allotted – roughly \$5.4 million – on January 20th.

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Upcoming Events

Early February
All-Member Webinar

February 17th
All PPS Meeting

Late February
Winter Newsletter

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