



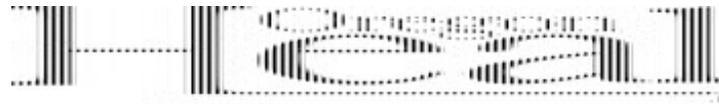
PCPCH Newsletter - January 2015

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PCPCH Program in 2015

Happy New Year! Here is a summary of what is ahead for the Patient-Centered Primary Care Home Program in 2015.

Clinics can expect enhanced technical assistance and support during their primary care transformation journey. The PCPCH Program has two Practice Enhancement Specialists on staff who can assist with integrating workflow for PCPCH measures into clinics, and staff to answer questions and assist during the PCPCH application process.

The new 3 STAR designation will be effective February 1, 2015. This designation will recognize clinics that have implemented advanced PCPCH model standards. Details about how to apply for this designation will be communicated in January.

To date, there are **538 PCPCH recognized clinics** across the state! To achieve the goal of 75%

of Oregonians having access to care at a PCPCH, the program will continue its outreach to clinics that are not PCPCH recognized during the coming year.

The PCPCH Program will be publishing its first Annual Report! The 2014 Annual Report will highlight program accomplishments and milestones from the past year. It will be available at www.PrimaryCareHome.oregon.gov in February.

Strategies for Rural, Small Independent Practices

Thirty-five percent of recognized Patient-Centered Primary Care Homes (PCPCH) are located in rural communities in Oregon. We know meeting some of the PCPCH Program requirements can be challenging these practices. So last summer, Dr. Lyle J. (LJ) Fagnan, founder of the Oregon Rural Practice-based Research Network (ORPRN), presented by webinar "Strategies for Rural, Small Independent Practices."

The presentation was developed specifically for rural clinics, and has been touted as a valuable resource by clinic staff. A recording of the webinar is available to watch on the [Patient-Centered Primary Care Institute](#) website.

From the webinar description:

Rural, small independent practices face unique issues specifically in the areas of leadership, quality improvement team formation, reporting and reviewing data, and provision of care coordination services. During this webinar, we discuss what obstacles these practices face, hear the perspective of regional practice facilitators who have helped practices assess workflow and involve patients, and learn how small, rural practices have addressed these issues.

If your rural, small independent clinic could benefit from new strategies for implementing PCPCH standards, watch the [“Strategies for Rural, Small Independent Practices”](#) webinar.



NHSC Loan Repayment Program Webinar

The Oregon [Primary Care Office](#) is hosting a webinar for health care providers about the [National Health Service Corp \(NHSC\) Loan Repayment Program](#). The program provides loan repayment assistance to licensed primary care medical, dental, and mental and behavioral health providers who serve in communities with limited access to health care. NHSC will begin accepting applications for the Loan Repayment Program in January.

Webinar for Health Care Providers

January 26, 2015 | 12:00 PM to 12:45 PM

In this webinar you will learn how the Oregon Primary Care Office can support you during your application to the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Loan Repayment Program, and have the opportunity to ask questions about the program. The program offers loan repayment assistance to support medical, dental, and mental and behavioral health care providers who choose to take their skills where they are most needed. This will be an interactive webinar, so please come prepared with any questions!

[Register now >>](#)

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Mark Your Calendar - Free Webinars!
Shared Decisions Making: What, Why & How

January 21, 2015 | 8:00AM PST

Attend this webinar to learn about Shared Decision Making (SDM) as a skill to engage patients with preference-sensitive conditions, evidence on the effectiveness of SDM, free or low cost SDM tools available for practices, and other methods for patient-centered communication.

[Register now »](#)

Working at the "Top of License" - How do you Reallocate Work Among a Team?

January 28, 2015 | 8:00AM PST

This webinar will address strategies for leaders to proactively think about how to manage team roles in an effective way.

[Register now »](#)

Building Sustainable Quality Improvement Systems in your Practice

February 10, 2015 | 8:00AM PST

Join this webinar to obtain an overview of key considerations in the infrastructure needed to support a practice's ongoing quality improvement efforts.

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About the Patient-Centered Primary Care Home Program

Patient-Centered Primary Care Homes (PCPCH) are health care clinics that have been recognized by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) for their commitment to providing high quality, patient-centered care. The PCPCH Program administers the application, recognition, and verification process for practices applying to become Patient-Centered Primary Care Homes. The program is also working with stakeholders across Oregon to support adoption of the primary care home model. For more information visit www.PrimaryCareHome.oregon.gov.

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