

FQHC Participation in Connecticut's State Innovation Model Initiative

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Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs, “Community Health Centers”)

- ✓ Provide comprehensive, evidence-driven, high-quality medical, dental and behavioral health care to people of all ages, regardless of income, immigration status or insurance status/ability to pay
- ✓ Are consumer- and family-centered, grounded in their communities, with patients comprising the majority of their Boards, and with both formal and informal connections/integration with other community providers & organizations... “Of the community, by the community, for the community”
- ✓ Serve all people: No patient is turned away (by federal law)

Connecticut's Federally Qualified Health Centers

- ✓ 14 organizations across the state, most with multiple sites, including schools, mobile vans, homeless shelters and community sites
- ✓ 342,000+ patients each year (one out of every 11 CT residents)
 - ✓ 60% of CT FQHC patients are on HUSKY
 - ✓ 95% are below 200% of federal poverty level
 - ✓ 29% are served best in another language

What Connecticut's Federally Qualified Health Centers Offer SIM

- ✓ Connecticut's FQHCs are a statewide, robust, engaged provider system
 - ✓ with a large Medicaid/HUSKY population: 201,000 HUSKY patients (1/3 of all CT HUSKY)
- ✓ PCMH recognized (10 of 14 already, 4 in process) and using electronic health records, data analytics, with capacity to exchange health information
- ✓ Support "phased in" OR "fully in" implementation. If fully implemented, can bring 200,000+ Medicaid lives

Connecticut's Federally Qualified Health Centers and SIM

- ✓ By definition, FQHC providers do not “underserve.” They are committed to the care of the most vulnerable populations. Shared savings in FQHC environment would not compromise patient care but rather contribute to efficient use of constrained financial resources.
- ✓ In order to save costs and support the continuation and enhancement of PCMH services, FQHCs and other providers will need enhanced payments (through either add-on payments or PMPM).
- ✓ Like most Medicaid providers throughout the state, FQHCs will need technical assistance in the development and utilization of robust analytics required for practice transformation and payment reform.