

On the Horizon

Project Implementation Officially Kicks Off on Dec. 3rd

Many of BPHC’s projects have been gaining momentum over the last several months, and BPHC officially launches its ten projects on December 3rd. The first step toward PPS-wide DSRIP implementation is a DSRIP Launch Event, for BPHC member organizations that have a significant complement of primary care providers and participate in several projects. Later in December, the CSO will also lead an orientation for the DSRIP Program Directors and Managers that have recently joined our PPS members. The orientation will introduce them to BPHC’s projects, policies, and strategy, and will outline their roles in supporting member organizations throughout the DSRIP period by coordinating DSRIP implementation and reporting to the CSO.

In the months that follow, BPHC will distribute project plans throughout the PPS, which our member organizations may use as instruction manuals for implementing each project. Launch events for each project will shed light on the process of getting each project off the ground, and by hosting structured information sessions and fielding questions informally, the CSO will provide continuous support to our partners throughout the DSRIP period.

BPHC’s Cultural Responsiveness Work Groups Convene

BPHC’s Cultural Responsiveness Work Group has been meeting to discuss the role of cultural competency and health literacy in the DSRIP program. The goal of this Work Group is to ensure that care is delivered in a manner that is responsive to patients’ cultural backgrounds, and that Bronx residents are better prepared to make informed decisions about their health.

The first deliverable of this Work Group is to create a cultural competency strategy for BPHC’s Quarter 3 Report in December. This strategy will outline BPHC’s approach to integrating cultural competency and health literacy into DSRIP projects and workforce training, leveraging the cultural competency expertise of community based organizations, and utilizing health literacy strategies to help patients overcome barriers to healthcare and social services.

IFH is First PPS Member to Receive PCMH 2014 Recognition

In November, the Institute for Family Health became the first member organization in our PPS, and the first federally-qualified health center in New York State, to receive recognition as a Level 3 Patient Centered Medical Home under NCQA’s strict 2014 standards. This recognition is a testament to the high quality of medical care that the Institute provides at sites across New York City, including four sites here in the Bronx. BPHC is committed to building a robust foundation in primary care in the Bronx, and the Institute is leading the charge toward achieving PCMH 2014 recognition throughout the PPS.

In Case You Missed It

BPHC Released First Quarterly Newsletter

On November 12th, BPHC released its [first quarterly Newsletter](#). To keep your whole team informed about BPHC’s progress, we encourage you to circulate the Newsletter internally.

Upcoming Events

December 3
Implementation Kickoff for
Largest Primary Care Providers

December 17
Executive Committee Meeting

December 17
DSRIP Program Director
Orientation

Resources

- **Our Previous Bulletin**
- **BPHC Newsletter**
– Fall 2015

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