Dear PCMH Learning Network:

The PCMH Learning Network’s sessions for July/August and October/November are listed below. Please register for your regional sessions via the appropriate links below.

The Northeastern and Western PA regional sessions in July/August will focus on: (1) PCMHs’ experience with practice-level quality improvement, use of data to drive improvements, challenges, and successes; and (2) how to use the Collaborative Care Management model to structure team roles, use data, and engage patients.

The Southeastern and Lehigh/Capital PA regional sessions in July/August will focus on effective techniques for patient engagement in a variety of scenarios, including post-hospital discharge follow-up, longitudinal care management programs, and use of clinical and payer data and quality improvement methodologies to inform patient engagement efforts. The in-person Southeastern PA session on August 1 will also focus on best practices to achieve the PCMH expectation to “utilize low-literacy appropriate materials to educate and disclose to patients the practice is a PCMH with a community-based care management team.”

The PCMH Learning Network is designed for the HealthChoices PCMH Program, which is part of the Physical HealthChoices’ Value-Based Purchasing program. Participating in the Network is one of the provider requirements of the PCMH Program.

Northeastern PA Sessions

- Register here for the Virtual Session on Monday, July 22 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

- Register here for the In-Person Session on Wednesday, October 30 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Radisson Lackawanna Station Hotel (700 Lackawanna Ave, Scranton, PA 18503)


Southeastern PA Sessions

- Register here for the In-Person Session on Thursday, August 1 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Philadelphia Center City (237 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 19107-5686)

- Register here for the Virtual Session on Tuesday, November 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Southeast Counties: Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, Philadelphia

Northwestern & Southwestern PA Sessions

- Register here for the Virtual Session on Monday, August 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

- Register here for the In-Person Session on Thursday, October 24 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the QIT Center (Centre City Tower, Suite 2600, 650 Smithfield Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222)

Northwest and Southwest Counties: Cameron, Clarion, Clearfield, Crawford, Elk, Erie, Forest, Jefferson, McKean, Mercer, Potter, Venango, Warren, Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Bedford, Blair, Butler, Cambria, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Lawrence, Somerset, Washington, Westmoreland

Lehigh/Capital PA Sessions

- Register here for the Virtual Session on Wednesday, August 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

- Register here for the In-Person Session on Wednesday, November 6 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Dixon University Center (2986 N 2nd St, Harrisburg, PA 17110)

Lehigh/Capital Counties: Adams, Berks, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Northampton, Perry, York

We also wanted to let the entire PCMH Learning Network know that you can access SDOH resources from the April/May regional Learning Network sessions, which included a focus on the HealthChoices PCMH Program’s SDOH-related expectation to “complete a Social Determinants of Health assessment using a nationally recognized tool and submit ICD-10 diagnostic codes for all patients.”

- A suite of SDOH presentations, tools, and resources is available here (https://www.tomorrowshealthcare.org/home/communities/pcmh/pcmh-resources/social-determinants-of-health-sdoh) to help your PCMH incorporate SDOH screening, response, and ICD-10 code submission into your day-to-day workflows, using quality improvement principles.

- The presenters noted that the expected frequency of SDOH screening is to screen patients annually, and if the initial screen is positive, to screen patients again at the next visit, updating the ICD-10 diagnostic codes for SDOH needs as necessary.

- To document that your PCMH is meeting this expectation, the presenters also presented a method to use G9919 to report that a positive SDOH assessment occurred and to use G9920 to report that a negative SDOH assessment occurred (simply for reporting purposes). If you have questions about this reporting process with the G-codes, please contact your Physical HealthChoices MCO representatives.