



PATIENT-CENTERED MEDICAL HOME STAKEHOLDER COUNCIL  
Meeting Minutes :: October 21, 2015  
CSI Basement Conference Room - Helena (and via phone)

**Members Present**

**Dr. Jonathan Griffin**, Chair, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana  
**Dr. Rob Stenger**, Vice-Chair, Providence Medical Group  
**Dr. Janice Gomersall**, Community Physicians Group, Mountain View Family Medicine and Obstetrics  
**Carla Cobb**, RiverStone Health  
**Dr. Patrick Van Wyk**, St. Peter's Hospital  
**Bill Warden**, Hospital Lobbyist  
**Todd Lovshin**, PacificSource Health Plans  
**Lara Shadwick**, Mountain Pacific Quality Health Foundation  
**Kristen Pete**, Glacier Medical Associates  
**Tara Callaghan**, Providence Medical Group  
**Paula Block**, Montana Primary Care Association  
**Todd Harwell**, Public Health and Safety Division, DPHHS

**Members Absent**

**Dr. Monica Berner**, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Montana  
**Dr. Larry Severa**, Billings Clinic  
**Jo Thompson**, Montana Medicaid, Department of Public Health & Human Services  
**Sen. Mary Caferro**, State of Montana (Ad Hoc Member)

**Interested Parties Present**

**Kathy Myers**, DPHHS  
**Mary LeMieux**, Montana Medicaid, DPHHS, (for Jo Thompson)  
**Kelley Gobbs**, Montana Medicaid  
**Jan Bechtold**, Billings Clinic  
**Dr. Jonathan Weisul**, Allegiance Benefit Plan Management  
**Anna Buckner**, DPHHS  
**Megan Burton**, Montana Medical Association  
**Janice Mackenson**, Veterans Affairs

**CSI Staff Present**

Amanda Roccabruna Eby  
Catherine Wright

### **Welcome, minutes approval, and announcements**

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 pm. Amanda Eby conducted roll call and thanked council members for their in-person attendance.

There were several announcements. On October 15, Commissioner Lindeen announced the 2015-2016 stakeholder council. There are three new members. Dr. Griffin and Todd Lovshin explained that they resigned from the council to allow other members of their organizations to contribute to the PCMH discussion. Council members thanked them for their years of service. Amanda also made a request for a PCMH clinician to participate in the October 30 Colorectal Cancer Roundtable. Tara Callaghan volunteered to attend and share the perspectives from multiple PCMHs that would relay information to her. Finally, Amanda announced that she will be on maternity leave from early December to early March. Cathy Wright will be staffing PCMH in her absence.

Dr. Stengar reviewed the agenda and called for a motion to approve the minutes. Paula Block moved and Todd Lovshin seconded a motion to approve the September 2015 stakeholder council meeting minutes. The minutes were unanimously approved.

### **2016 Independent Study**

Amanda reviewed the timetable and process for the Independent Study. According to the statutory language (MCA 33-40-105):

*All health care providers and payors who participate in a patient-centered medical home shall, as a condition of participation, collectively commission one independent study on savings generated by the patient-centered medical home program...*

The CSI will not conduct the study; the process must be led by the stakeholder council members. The CSI will provide administrative support and has already completed research on various funding options to pay a consultant. Thus far, several national organizations have declined funding the study but suggested we ask local foundations. Amanda asked the council members for any suggestions for local funding. Several possible Montana funding options were suggested. A work group was formed to further discuss funding and the selection and hiring of a consultant. They will meet in early December.

The report from the study is due to the Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee August 25, 2016.

### **Discuss the Revised Quality Metric Rule**

In Christina's absence, Amanda reviewed the schedule for the rule filing. The rule was filed October 19. A public comment period begins October 29. A public hearing will be held at the CSI November 24. The deadline for comments is December 2.

Call or email Christina Goe if you have any comments or questions.

### **Quality Metrics Subcommittee Report**

Dr. Stenger summarized the QM subcommittee progress from their September 23<sup>rd</sup> and October 14<sup>th</sup> meetings. The subcommittee is in the final stages of preparing the 2016 Guidance. Mathematica reviewed their technical edits for the 5 measures. She suggested the guidance highlight for clinics the newly added preventive/wellness encounters codes. Other recommendations were mainly fixing consistency issues with language in the guidance vs. the reporting form and alignment with PQRS.

The subcommittee will finalize the 2016 Guidance at the November 12<sup>th</sup> meeting before presenting it to the stakeholder council for a final vote at the November stakeholder meeting.

### **Patient Education Materials**

The patient education materials are finalized and ready for distribution. The rack card is at the printer. CSI ordered 10,000 cards. Rack cards will be allocated to clinics based on clinic size.

### **Comprehensive Application and Progress Update**

Amanda gave the update. The Comprehensive Application was sent to interested new clinics the week of October 5<sup>th</sup>. Two new clinics submitted applications last week. She will review and hopefully designate these as “Provisionally Qualified” next week. The 2015 Progress Update was sent to current clinics on October 8<sup>th</sup> with a completion deadline of October 29<sup>th</sup>. She has sent weekly reminders. To date, 19 clinics have completed the Update. Several clinics submitted incomplete forms. She will follow-up to see if they need assistance/clarifications.

### **Payor Subcommittee Report**

Dr. Weisul briefly discussed the October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. At the meeting, Mathematica presented their comments on the guidance. They recommended that regarding the swing-bed designation coding, each payor should document in their data report how they are identifying and excluding swing-bed facilities. They also recommended that payors indicate whether or not they included or excluded observation bed stays from ER visits. Finally, Mathematica discussed case mix adjustment and recommended that if it is not included at this time, then that should be noted with the rates. The subcommittee approved the guidance for recommendation to the council.

Dr. Griffin made a call for a motion to approve the final draft 2016 Payor Guidance for recommendation to the Commissioner. Todd Harwell made a motion and Dr. Stenger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **CrossTx Presentation**

There was a 20-minute presentation by Chad Nybo, CrossTx founder and CEO. The presentation can be viewed [here](#).

### **Future Meetings**

Due to the Veteran’s Day holiday, the Quality Metrics subcommittee was rescheduled to **November 12 at 11 am**. The Payor subcommittee will not meet in November. And, as a reminder, all council members and interested parties are invited to attend.

The next PCMH Stakeholder Council meeting is **November 18<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 – 3:00 pm at the CSI office in Helena**. This will be the first meeting of the 2015-2016 Stakeholder Council.

### **No Public Comment**

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 pm.