



Abstract (3/11/19)
SDOH Academy Learning Collaborative
Leveraging Medicaid Policies to Address SDOH
April 4, 11, 18 & 24, 2019
3-4:30pm EDT

Faculty: Marcella Maguire (CSH), Michelle Jester (NACHC), Ellen Lawton (NCMLP)

Health centers have long recognized the impact that focusing on their patients' social determinants of health (SDOH) needs have on patients' health. However, current common health care financing limits the ability of health centers to scale and sustain best practices, even when interventions have been piloted successfully. The Leveraging Medicaid Policies to Address SDOH Learning Collaborative, part of the HRSA-funded SDOH Academy, will target health center, PCA and HCCN representatives interested in learning more about how their organizations can understand and optimize emerging Medicaid payment innovations to develop, launch and sustain activities that address the social determinants of health of their patients. Participants will learn from and share with their peers to *increase collective knowledge, discuss what is working/lessons learned, and explore new approaches* to sustainably fund social determinants of health work. Learning collaborative faculty, along with visiting expert faculty, will facilitate resource sharing, peer engagement and dialogue during weekly webinars and throughout the Learning Collaborative via the Slack platform.

Session 1 – The Dynamic Landscape of Medicaid Investment in SDOH Programs

April 4, 3-4pm EDT - with optional office hours 4-4:30pm
Session Faculty: Marcella Maguire, Michelle Jester, Ellen Lawton
Visiting Faculty: Deborah Kozick & Jim Lloyd, Center for Health Care Strategies;
Discussants: Nashia Choudhary *invited* (Michigan PCA); Angela Nestor Herman (Missouri PCA)

Learning Objectives. Participants will

1. Get oriented to Learning Collaborative peers, logistics, expectations and resources;
2. Deepen understanding of current Medicaid SDOH landscape, guided by CHCS resources, faculty and session discussants;
3. Share insights and questions about models in their local communities and how they are being developed and sustained over time.



Session 2 - Designing and Implementing A Sustainable SDOH Model

April 1, 3-4pm EDT - with optional office hours 4-4:30pm

Session Lead Faculty: Ellen Lawton

Visiting Faculty: Michigan PCA; Missouri PCA; Add'l Participants TBD

Learning Objectives: Participants will

1. Understand the nuts and bolts of building an SDOH model powered for public investment including start-up strategies, project development, data collection;
2. Identify different kinds of strategies for engaging managed care in understanding and supporting SDOH models and trends;

Participants will engage in a live “Kick the tires” session on SDOH projects in process to test understanding of SDOH model components and challenges.

Session 3 - Housing and Transportation Supports: State and Local Activities

April 18, 3-4pm EDT with optional office hours 4-4:30pm

Session Lead Faculty: Marcella Maguire

Visiting Faculty: Dr. Rafael Amezcua, Better Health of California; TBD

Learning Objectives: Participants will:

1. Understand housing and transportation as platforms for health interventions;
2. Identify strategies for partnering to grow sustainable state and local housing and transportation interventions that are poised for investment;
3. Improve understanding of overlapping and integrated missions, activities and investments across health and housing providers

Participants will hear from real-life housing and health practitioners discussing state and local-level activities that they can join or start in their own communities



Session 4- Medicaid Waivers and How Health Centers Can Engage in the Waiver Process

April 25, 3-4pm EDT with optional office hours 4-4:30pm

Session Lead Faculty: Michelle Jester

Visiting Faculty: Bethany Hamilton (NACHC); TBD

Learning Objectives. Participants will:

1. Compare and contrast different approaches for engaging key state and Medicaid stakeholders to inform the Medicaid waiver development process;
2. Identify successful messaging, resources, and/or data used to inform the development and/or implementation of Medicaid waivers;
3. Develop strategies for getting involved and driving Medicaid waivers in ways to benefit underserved communities

Medicaid waivers are a common strategy for states to drive innovation in their health care delivery and financing systems. Health centers are natural leaders and advocates in this area. Participants will hear about current activities around Medicaid financing strategies and how those strategies can be leveraged to sustain a health center's social determinants of health activities.