

ABOUT US

GCACH's mission is to advance the health of our population.



The GCACH region includes:

- Nine counties and over 710,000 lives, with 35% being Medicaid beneficiaries or approximately 248,078
- Largest ethnic group - Hispanics (50% of the GCACH Medicaid population)
- The Yakama Nation - largest Native American Tribe in the state with over 11,000 members
- Seven Local Health Improvement Network (LHINs)



GCACH's nine-county region

MEDICAID TRANSFORMATION

The Healthier Washington Medicaid Transformation is a five-year agreement between Washington State and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) that allows the state to test new approaches to providing health coverage and care. Initiative 1 is intended to build incentives for providers who are committed to changing how we deliver care.

This work is led by nine Accountable Communities of Health (ACH) regions in partnership with the Health Care Authority (HCA). Each ACH is governed by local leaders from multiple sectors that impact health. Greater Columbia ACH has chosen a nationally recognized model, the Patient-Centered Medical Home as the foundation for our transformation efforts. This model puts the patient first and foremost in the implementation and execution of the 1115 Waiver.

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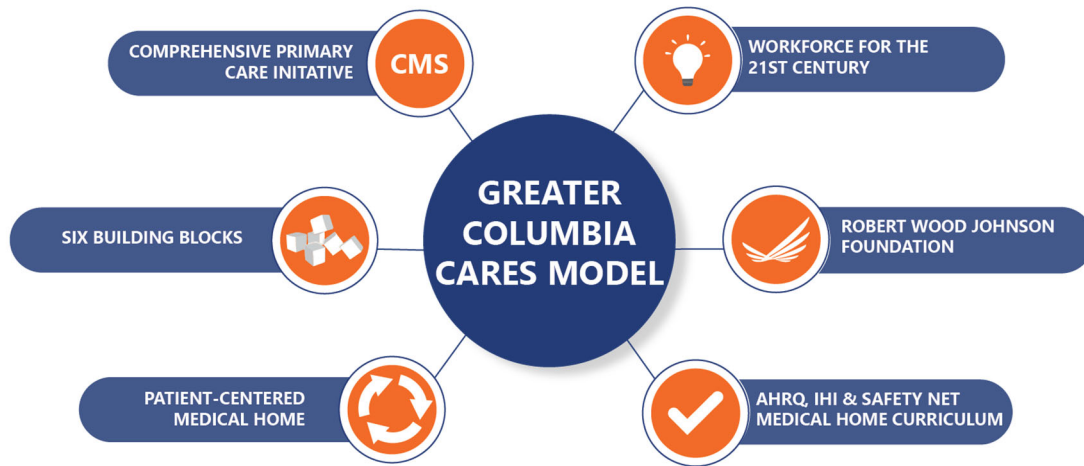
DELIVERY SYSTEM REFORM INCENTIVE PAYMENTS

INITIATIVES

Seven Local Health Improvement Networks, Community Resilience Campaign, Two Opioid Resource Networks, Regional Resource Directory, Supportive Housing Project in Franklin County, Community Information Exchanges, Regional Opioid Summit, Sponsorship Program, Behavioral Health Scholarship Fund, Community Health Funds, Learning Collaboratives

Greater Columbia Cares Model (GCCM):

The Greater Columbia Cares Model (GCCM) is a model created by Greater Columbia Accountable Community of Health and is a comprehensive, strategic approach to implement practice transformation. GCCM incorporates best practices from several models including the Patient Centered Medical Home, Six Building Blocks, AHRQ, IHI and many more. This model puts the patient at the center of care and has been adopted by 86 providers in the Greater Columbia region. The result is better patient care, improved population health and lower healthcare costs.



The GCCM acts as an “umbrella” that incorporates the majority of the work from our four project areas below; **Bi-Directional Integration of Physical and Behavioral Health, Chronic Disease Prevention and Control, Addressing the Opioid Public Health Crisis and Transitional Care.**

CURRENT FUNDS FLOW (as of December 2020)

Provider Type	Funds Distributed
Hospitals/Clinics	\$12,469,557
Behavioral Health	\$10,826,141
Federally Qualified Health Centers	\$5,337,314
SNFs/School Based Clinics/Dental/Palliative Care	\$2,380,407
Social Determinants of Health	\$1,653,297
Community Based Organizations/LHINs	\$600,000
Tribes	\$170,000
Public Health/Schools/Local Government	\$85,974
Total	\$33,522,690