

# Greater Columbia ACH

## Director's Report

December 15, 2016



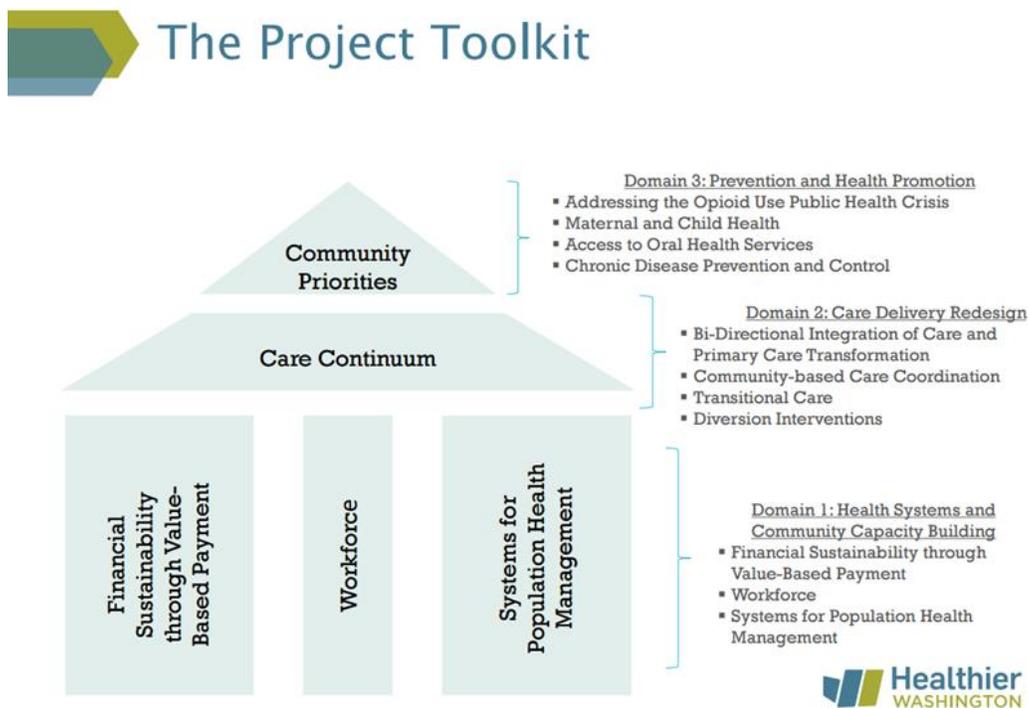
### 1 DRAFT TOOLKIT RELEASED

<http://www.hca.wa.gov/assets/program/wa-transformation-project-toolkit-draft.pdf>

<http://www.hca.wa.gov/assets/program/Slidedeck-121216.pdf>

On November 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Health Care Authority released the pre-draft Medicaid Waiver Project Toolkit. The Toolkit prescribes the required projects and planning initiatives expected from each Accountable Community of Health. The graphic below is a high level overview of the Waiver content for Initiative 1. Domain 1 strategies are foundational and are to be tailored to support efforts in Domain 2 and Domain 3, and projects in Domain 2 and Domain 3 integrate and apply Domain 1 strategies to the specified topics and approaches.

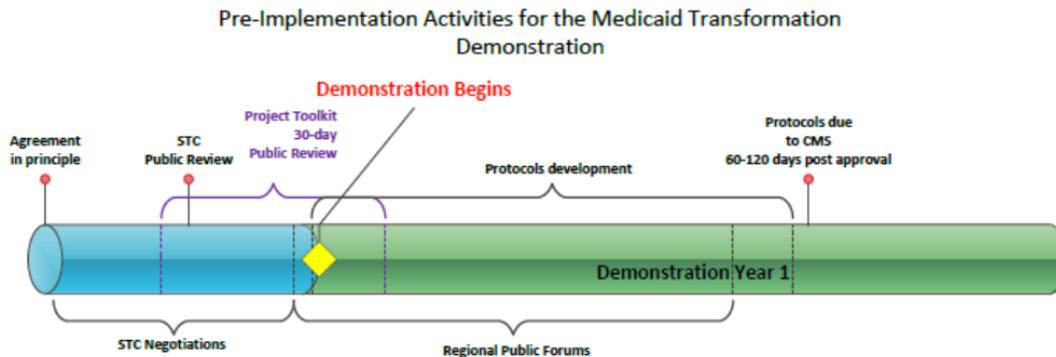
Domain 1 is largely focused on system-wide planning and capacity-building to reinforce transformation projects.



## 2 TIMELINE

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CMS and the Health Care Authority are in the process of negotiating Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) for the Waiver. After the project toolkit is revised and approved by CMS, it will have a 30-day public review period. According to the HCA, the biggest revisions currently are clarifying the work of a task force and the work of an ACH. January 1<sup>st</sup> has been suggested as a possible target date to begin the public review comment period, but everything is still very fluid. The STCs will be



finalized prior to the new Administration entering the White House.

## 3 REQUIRED PROJECTS UNDER THE WAIVER

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### **Complete a Regional Health Needs Inventory**

- Purpose: The RHNI is a vital component of the planning process, as it provides the information necessary to design the initiatives to their maximum benefit, by tailoring them to the unique needs and circumstances of the communities in which the projects will be implemented. The HCA will package and provide relevant information to the ACHs from various statewide data sets, to the fullest extent possible, to populate the RHNI. ACHs will need to fill in gaps in data using local data and complete an environmental scan. The ACH may rely on previously completed inventories or assessment to meet this requirement.

- Content: (1) Description of the region's population health & (2) Description of the current health care and community service system capacities.

### **Financial Sustainability through Value Based Payment**

- Purpose: Paying for value across the continuum of Medicaid services is necessary to assure the sustainability of the transformation projects undertaken through the Medicaid Transformation Demonstration. The goal of this Focus Area is to have 90% of state payments tied to value by 2021.

- Requirements include: Creating a Regional VBP Transformation Plan and a Regional VBP Transformation Report and implementing VBP Strategies.

### **Workforce Transformation Plan**

- Purpose: Improve and sustain alignment between health services workforce capacity and community health needs. Workforce transformation will be supported through the provision of training and education services, hiring and deployment processes, and integration of new positions and titles to support transition to team-based, patient-centered care and ensure the equity of care delivery service across populations.

### **Systems for Population Health Management Capacity Transformation Plan**

- Purpose: Develop interoperable health information technology (HIT) and exchange (HIE) infrastructure to capture, analyze, and share population health data, including combining clinical and claims data to advance VBP models. The HCA is developing Washington Link4Health Clinical Data Repository (CDR).

### **Bi-Directional Integration of Care and Primary Care Transformation**

- Purpose: This project will advance Healthier Washington's initiative to bring together the payment and delivery of physical and behavioral health services for people enrolled in Medicaid, through managed care. ACHs must select at least one evidence-based approach(es) for integrating BH into a Primary Care Setting:

Option 1: Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH)

Option 2: Collaborative Care Model (Core Principles defined by the AIMS Center of the University of WA)

Option 3: Improving Mood- Providing Access to Collaborative Treatment (IMPACT) Model

- Requirement 2: Select 1 of the following approaches based on emerging evidence to integrate Primary Care into BH Setting:

Option 1: Off-site, Enhance Collaboration

Option 2: Co-located, Enhanced Collaboration

Option 3: Co-located, Integrated

### **Community-Based Care Coordination**

- Purpose: This required project is an evidence-based model for establishing a Pathways Community HUB, a model for care coordination that includes adoption of standardized pathways, and establishment of centralized processes, systems, and resources to allow accountable tracking of those being served, and a method to tie care coordination work products or units to payment and to outcomes. The HUB leverages existing care coordination capacity, reduces that potential for duplication of efforts, and increases accountability. Alternatively, the ACH may establish a "HUB-like" centralized care coordination system that includes the core elements of the Pathways HUB model.

- Evidence-based Approach: Pathways Community HUB

- Includes the following pathways: (1) Behavioral Health Pathway, (2) Immunization Pathway, (3) Medical Home Pathway, (4) Medication Assessment & Management Pathways, & (5) Smoking Cessation Pathway

### **Addressing the Opioid Use Public Health Crisis**

- Purpose: ACHs will support achievement of the goals outlined in Executive Order 16-09. This project aligns with the state opioid response plan and focuses on strategies under three of the

plan goals, (1) Prevent opioid misuse and abuse by improving prescription practices, (2) expand access to opioid dependence treatment, and (3) intervene in opioid overdoses to prevent death

- Recommended Approaches:
- Clinical Guidelines:
  - o AMDG's Interagency Guideline on Prescribing Opioids for Pain
  - o Substance use during pregnancy: Guidelines for Screening & Management
- Statewide Plans:
  - o 2016 Washington State Interagency Opioid Working Plan
  - o Substance Abuse Prevention & Mental Health Promotion Five-Year Strategic Plan