Bi-Directional Integration Demonstration and Practice-Based Research Pilot Program

Colorado State Innovation Model (SIM)

SIM is an initiative funded by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) and strives to create a coordinated, accountable healthcare system.



The goal is to provide patients with greater access to integrated physical and behavioral healthcare services in coordinated systems, with value-based payment structures, for 80% of Colorado residents by 2019. By the end of the project, SIM will involve 400 Colorado primary care practices and four community mental health centers.



The Bi-Directional Integration Demonstration and Practice-Based Research Pilot Program is a component of Colorado's SIM plan. The Colorado Behavioral Healthcare Council (CBHC) was awarded funding by CMMI in Colorado Behavioral partnership with the State of Colorado's SIM Office to facilitate the selection Healthcare Council of four community mental health center (CMHC) sites to participate in the

pilot program to integrate primary care and prevention services into the community behavioral health setting (bi-directional integration).



SIM Transformation Map courtesy of the Colorado SIM Office. Green pins represent the CMHC pilot sites and blue pins represent the first 100 primary care practices. For more information on Colorado SIM, please visit www.coloradosim.org.

For more information about the SIM bi-directional pilot program, please contact Emily Haller at ehaller@cbhc.org.

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Meet the Pilot Sites



OMMUNITY Community Reach Center (CRC), a private, nonprofit community mental health center, is one of the premier integrated health providers in the north Denver area. For the bi-directional pilot program, CRC is partnering with Salud Family Health Centers, a Federally Qualified Health Center serving

communities in northeastern Colorado, and Dental Lifeline Network, a leading oral health provider. CRC and Salud have a strong history of collaboration and offer a highly developed system of integrated care. In December 2014, the three partners collaborated to place a medical clinic within the CRC Commerce City Outpatient Clinic. The SIM funding is transforming this clinic into a fully integrated health home. This pilot focuses on serving individuals in the Commerce City community with serious and persistent mental illness.

Jefferson Center for Mental Health (Jefferson Center) is the private, nonprofit community mental health center serving Jefferson, Gilpin, and Clear Creek counties. Jefferson Center is partnering with the Metro Community Provider Network (MCPN), the local Federally Qualified Health Center, to create the Jefferson Plaza Family Health Home in Lakewood, Colorado. The two partner agencies have a strong history of collaboration on other integration projects – some spanning over two decades. This pilot project is helping to extend the current integration efforts to an even larger population. The



Jefferson Plaza Family Health Home (JPFHH) primarily serves children and families who lack a primary care provider and would benefit from integrated care. This includes individuals with serious mental illness, serious emotional disorders, and substance use disorders, as well as those with less severe behavioral health needs. The JPFHH is also offering family health coaching and wellness services.



Mental Health Partners (MHP) is a private, nonprofit community mental health center that has provided mental healthcare for over 50 years to the local underserved population in Boulder and Broomfield counties. MHP is expanding its long and successful partnership with Clinica Family Health Services, the local Federally Qualified Health Center, and its newer partnership with Dental Aid, a comprehensive

dental care provider, to create the multi-agency collaborative, Boulder Health Integration Partners (BHIP). BHIP is leveraging funding from SIM and other sources to create a sustainable, integrated health home for adults with serious mental illness and/or co-occurring substance use disorders in the City of Boulder. And, through our collaborative partnership, we share a vision of creating a healthcare experience that is simple and seamless, inspires selfconfidence and results in superior health and life outcomes for adults with serious behavioral health concerns. We will serve not only those who currently receive care but also the underserved in our community, such as Hispanic individuals, homeless individuals and those with cognitive impairments due to their mental health conditions.

Southeast Health Group (SHG) is the private, nonprofit community mental health center providing mental health, substance use, primary care, and wellness services to the six-county, rural and frontier region in the southeastern corner of Colorado, including the counties of Baca, Bent, Crowley, Kiowa, Otero, and Prowers. Since 2013, SHG has sustained a successful primary care program within its La Junta behavioral health home. The SIM pilot provides an opportunity for SHG to expand this integrated health home model across all six counties with access to bi-directional services in the La Junta, Rocky Ford, Lamar, and Las Animas offices. With the addition of another



primary care team, SHG will reduce the wait list for primary care services from 3 weeks to 2 weeks. The SHG Integrated Health Home is targeting individuals living with one or more chronic health conditions, including a behavioral health disorder and is providing a full continuum of comprehensive physical health, behavioral health, and wellness services.