Accelerating Primary Care Transformation in Oregon
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Featured Blog Posts

How to Meet the PCPCH Language/Cultural Interpretation Standard (6.A.0)

Jill Boyd, Practice Enhancement Specialist for the Oregon Health Authority Patient-Centered Primary Care Home Program, offers helpful information and tips for meeting this must-pass standard.

In order for Limited English Proficient (LEP) patients to feel like a recognized member of the care team, they must be able to play an active role in the visit and effectively communicate with the provider and clinic staff. If proper interpretation services are not available, however, this simply isn’t possible. Evidence suggests that language barriers contribute to an increase in health disparities and compromised quality of care, which can be costly, and can lead to poor adherence of treatment and follow up. Read more »

The Importance of Medical Homes for Children and Youth with Special Healthcare Needs

Colleen Reuland, Director of the Oregon Pediatric Improvement Partnership (OPIP), shares information about the medical home model as it pertains to children with special needs, and an opportunity for clinics to receive technical assistance in this area.

Webinars

POLST: What’s New and How Can We Do Better?

MARCH 18, 2015 | 8:00AM PST

Patient-Centered Primary Care Homes aim to care for patients over the course of their lives. Join this webinar to learn why the Physician Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST) and Advanced Directives are an essential part of comprehensive, patient-centered care.

Register now »

Medication Assisted Treatment of Substance Use Disorders

APRIL 8, 2015 | 8:00AM PST

This webinar will cover the variety of medications used to treat Substance Use Disorders (SUDs), how those medications work, and, most importantly, how the use of medications fits into a recovery plan.

Register now »

Events

Choosing Wisely® in Oregon Challenge – Calling all Innovators!

Do you have a project in progress or a great idea for implementing Choosing Wisely here in Oregon? The Oregon Medical Association (OMA) invites you to participate in the competition by
With the current climate of health care reform at both the federal and state levels, the concept of medical home has become quite the hot topic in the last decade. The concept of medical home was first introduced in 1967 by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) as a model specifically designed for children and youth with special healthcare needs (CYSHCN). Since then, medical home as a concept has spread widely, culminating in the joint principles developed in 2007 by the AAP, AAFP, AOA, and ACP and the development of national tools, such as the Patient Centered Medical Home designation by the National Committee for Quality Assurance. Read more >>>

More from the Blog:

Grassroots Group Supports Primary Care Behavioral Health Adoption

Julie Oyemaja, PsyD, shares how obstacles to primary care behavioral health implementation in primary care practices inspired a group of experts across the state to form the Integrated Behavioral Health Alliance of Oregon, of which she is the co-chair, in 2014.

How Oregon is Helping to Prevent One Million Heart Attacks

Learn how Acumentra Health and Healthinsight are working with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to prevent one million heart attacks and strokes by 2017 via the Million Hearts initiative.

Resources

Resources for PCPCH Core Attribute 8: Coordination and Integration - Clinics help patients navigate the system to meet their needs in a safe and timely way.

Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) Form - The Physician Orders for Life-Sustaining Treatment (POLST) form is a resource that practices may use with their patients to assist with end of life planning that emphasizes advance care planning, shared decision making and ensuring patient wishes are honored.

Submitting a short description of your project or idea. They will award $2,000 prizes to up to six winning submissions!

Submissions are due March 6th. Click here to apply, or here to get additional information. Email questions to: Cassandra@theOMA.org.

Mark your Calendar for Spring Learning with OPCA

This spring, the Oregon Primary Care Association will offer three opportunities to engage in exciting conversations that will move us closer to achieving the quadruple aim:

- APCM Learning Session - Wednesday, April 22 (by invitation only)
- OPCA 2015 Quadruple Aim Symposium: Engaging Our Communities - Thursday, April 23 (open to all)
- OPCA Annual Membership Meeting - Friday, April 24 (OPCA members only)

Please join us as we explore new ideas and best practices for teaming with local partners to address health disparities and operationalizing clinical innovations to promote health equity!

Register now!

Send questions to: ctan@opca.org.

MSMP’s 2015 Battle of the Doctor Bands - Paging Doctor Rock!

The Medical Society of Metropolitan Portland is looking for bands to participate in a Battle of the Physicians Bands! The only criteria for signing up is that one member of the band must be a member in the Medical Society.

The deadline to sign up is April 15th. Read more and/or sign up now!

About Us

Thank you for subscribing to the Patient-Centered Primary Care Institute newsletter. The Institute brings together technical experts, health care providers and staff, patient advisors, policymakers, academic centers and others to gather and share valuable practice transformation knowledge and resources. To learn more about our work, visit pcpci.org.
Complex Patient Assessment and Change Planning Tools - An assessment and change planning tools that can be used to engage patients in discussing and planning to make healthy changes.

The Institute is continually gathering valuable resources, tools and information to share with practices in all stages of patient-centered primary care home transformation. Find many others searchable by topic area, resource type or PCPCH standard on our website.>

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