



# Accelerating Primary Care Transformation in Oregon

August 2015 Newsletter

## In the Spotlight!

### Congratulations to the first 3 STAR Clinics!

[Winding Waters Clinic](#) in Enterprise, [Grants Pass Clinic](#) in Grants Pass and [Metropolitan Pediatrics](#) in Portland have been recognized by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) as the first 3 STAR clinics in the PCPCH Program. 3 STAR designated clinics are trailblazers in primary care transformation. 3 STAR clinics must meet 11 of 13 specific measures of high functioning PCPCHs and receive a verification site visit prior to being awarded the designation. For more information about becoming a 3 STAR designated clinic email [PCPCH@state.or.us](mailto:PCPCH@state.or.us)

## Featured Blog Posts

### Westside Pediatrics Seizes Opportunities for Adolescent Well Care



Adolescent Well Visit rates are traditionally low, particularly in Oregon where averages have been below the national benchmark for both Commercial and Medicaid populations. What has Westside Pediatrics done to get adolescents in for these visits?

[Learn more >>>](#)

### Know the Experts: CareOregon

## Webinars

### Population Health- What Does it Mean?

SEPTEMBER 16, 2015 | 8:00AM PST

This webinar will provide an introduction to the “Primary Care and Public Health” series by clarifying the different meanings of “population health” and exactly what public health does in communities, ways a partnership with public health can benefit your primary care practice and how health departments can be a local resource for primary care. This webinar will also help identify opportunities for collaboration with public health departments in your community.

[Register now »](#)

### Contraception as a Quality Metric: The Innovative Work in Oregon

SEPTEMBER 22, 2015 | 8:00AM PST

This webinar will describe the creation of a new pay-for-performance quality metric in Oregon: *Effective contraception use among women at risk of unintended pregnancy*. We will discuss the development of the metric, the goals of adding it to the pay-for-performance set for CCOs, and how it parallels national work to build a contraception metric that would be eligible for national endorsement. We will also cover strategies for clinical systems to improve their performance on the contraception metric, and why contraception is a key preventive service for women of reproductive age.



Institute programs rely on the content expertise of community organizations working to improve care and the experience of caregivers. CareOregon, a non-profit organization serving Medicaid and Medicare members, including through four Coordinated Care Organizations. For almost a decade CareOregon has convened medical home collaboratives for clinics interested in developing a medical home model of care in their practice.

[Learn more >>>](#)

#### More from the blog....

[Deschutes Rim Clinic- Small but Mighty](#)

[Keys to Achieving High Screening Rates for Patients with Diabetes- A Large Clinic Perspective](#)

[Interview with Health Navigator, Enrique Garcia from Silverton Health](#)

[SBIRT Screening- An Essential Part of Preventive Care](#)

### About Us

Thank you for subscribing to the Patient-Centered Primary Care Institute newsletter. The Institute accelerates primary care transformation in Oregon by bringing together health care providers, clinic staff, technical experts, patients, quality improvement professionals and others to share valuable knowledge and resources. To learn more about our work, visit [pcpci.org](http://pcpci.org).

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### Resource Orientation

SEPTEMBER 29, 2015 | 8:30AM PST

Are you new in your role supporting primary care home development? If so, please join us for one of our monthly orientation sessions so you are aware of the resources available to primary care practices and other stakeholders through the Patient-Centered Primary Care Institute website ([pcpci.org](http://pcpci.org)) The next session is **September 29**; subsequent sessions will be held the last Tuesday of every month. Click [here](#) to view the other dates and information needed to register.

### Check out these opportunities!

**QIO Program National Learning Series offers Virtual Training to Health Care Providers.**

[Learn more>>>](#)

**Call for Nominations for Total Cost of Care Technical Assistance Workgroup!**

Did your primary care clinic receive Q Corp's inaugural Clinic Comparison Reports this spring? Do you have thoughts as to what type of Technical Assistance should be available to increase clinics' understanding of how these reports can be used to identify opportunities for translating data, driving change, and reducing costs? Please consider joining, or nominating a colleague to the limited-duration Total Cost of Care Technical Assistance Workgroup. Please send nominations to [meredith.roberts.tomasi@q-corp.org](mailto:meredith.roberts.tomasi@q-corp.org) by September 10.

### Resources

**Enjoy these resources on chronic conditions education and training, oral**

health in primary care, and optimizing care teams.

[Multiple Chronic Conditions Education and Training Respository](#) [Tool]

[Oral Health: An Essential Component of Primary Care](#) [White Paper]

[Optimizing the Care Team: Improving Primary Care Access](#) [Article]

*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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