



New York State Health Innovation Plan

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NEW YORK SIM UPDATES:

- A Request for Applications (RFA) for Linking Interventions for Total (L.I.F.T.) Population Health has been posted [here](#), on the Health Research, Inc. website. Applications are due September 30, 2016.
 - Letters of Interest for the L.I.F.T. Population Health RFA were received and are also available [here](#).
 - Questions and Answers for the L.I.F.T. Population Health RFA are available [here](#).
- The next meeting of the Transparency, Evaluation, and HIT Work Group is scheduled for September 23, 2016.
- The next meeting of the Integrated Care Workgroup has been scheduled for October 7, 2016
- The Innovation Center continues to have ongoing and productive discussions with payers and stakeholders on the Advanced Primary Care model.

IN THE NEWS:

- **The New York Chapter of the American College of Physicians Hosts CPC+ Webinar**
NYACP hosted an informational webinar for providers surrounding the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid's Comprehensive Primary Care Plus (CPC+) initiative. NYACP was joined by the NYS Department of Health and a number of commercial insurers to provide further details on this opportunity. Practices that would like to participate in CPC+ can apply through September 15, 2016. A recording of NYACP's webinar is available [here](#). Further information about CPC+ is available [here](#).
- **New York Health Records Database Reaches 9 Million Patients**
The State Health Information Network for New York (SHIN-NY) is a mostly state-funded project that facilitates record-sharing among providers with patient consent. The SHIN-NY handles more than 2.8 million transactions per month and is used by 62,000 medical providers. The project is now expected to produce savings more than triple the estimated \$70 million annual operating cost. Further information is available [here](#).
- **New York's Proposes All Payer Database Regulations**
The Department of Health presented new regulations for the state's all-payer database (APD) at the August meeting of the state's Public Health and Health Planning Council. The proposed regulations would allow collection of public and private health claims and eligibility data from insurance carriers, health plans, third party administrators, Medicaid, and Medicare. The U.S. Supreme Court recently ruled that self-insured employer health plans cannot be required to submit claims data. The Department will accept public comment on the proposed regulations through October 17, 2016 – instructions for submitting comment are available at the end of the proposed regulations. Further information is available [here](#), and the proposed regulations are available [here](#).
- **New York City Population Health Improvement Program Publishes Strategy for Expanding Medical Home Model Across NYC**
The New York City Population Health Improvement Program (PHIP), in partnership with the United Hospital Fund, released a strategy for expanding the Medical Home model across the City. Emphasizing expanding primary care access and quality, the strategy includes a goal of having 80% of primary care providers located in NYC reach medical home status by 2020 – through NCQA recognition, participation in Advanced Primary Care (APC), or participation in the Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative (TCPI). The strategic plan articulates the core principals behind primary care expansion in NYC, and a set of actionable steps to achieve the 80% goal. Further information is available [here](#).
- **National Business Group on Health Survey Reveals Most Large Employers Will Offer Telehealth Next Year**
A new report from the National Business Group on Health indicates that 9 out of 10 large employers in states where telemedicine is legal will make telehealth services available to their employees next year. The survey has found an increasing percentage of large employers offer telehealth services – the National Business Group

predicts that by 2019, 97 percent of large employers will offer telehealth services. Further information is available [here](#).

- **National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) Releases First-Ever Report on Workforce Data**

The NCCPA released its first-ever report on workforce data across 22 specialties. Their data suggests that nearly 70% of physician assistants are working in settings other than primary care. Further, the PA workforce is relatively young, with a median age of 38; less than one percent of PAs indicated they planned to retire in the current year. The report includes aggregated data through the end of calendar year 2015. NCCPA's press release is available [here](#), and the full report is available [here](#).

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