

CHE Collaborations for 2011-2012

| Applicant | Area | Community Need | Project | Funding Will Go Toward: |
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| IDAHO PROJECTS | | | | |
| Clearwater Valley Hospital and Clinics | Orofino, ID | There is a critical nonexistence of psychiatry services in a rural, underserved community that has experienced a high rate of suicides. | The installation of video conferencing technology to give members access to psychiatrists, as well as create a local registry of patients needing such services. | Purchased time for telepsychiatry services, as well as staff time for registry development. |
| Family Health Services | Twin Falls, ID | There is a community need for improved management of diabetes, hypertension, cancer screenings, and cardiovascular disease care. | Data reporting, dashboards, and MD training on new data systems to educate providers on ways in which chronic disease management and screenings can be improved. | Salary of an information systems coordinator. |
| Saltzer Medical Group | Nampa, ID | Patients are in need of improved, more-automated ways in which to be informed of the need for cancer and chronic disease screenings. | New workflows and training to be implemented consistent with a new Electronic Health Record. Staff training to optimize the use of these new tools for better patient communication about cancer and chronic disease management. | Costs for a project coordinator and physician training of new tools and workflows within a new Electronic Health Record. |
| OREGON PROJECTS | | | | |
| Central Oregon Pediatric Associates (COPA) | Bend, OR | COPA, a regional referral center for pediatric care, is increasingly seeing a community need for 24/7/365 care. Increases in Medicaid in the central Oregon area have exacerbated the challenge of providing open access at all times and avoiding unnecessary ER care. | COPA will enhance and expand resources to meet growing pediatric care needs in their region. | 24 hour nurse advice line, as well as care protocols for nursing staff. |
| Mosaic Medical Clinic | Bend, OR | Bend's only FQHC, facing the challenge of needing to address dental care for its patients ages 1-6, will begin providing preventive dental services. | Oral healthcare assessments and fluoride varnishes will be provided. | Clinical leadership and staff time / training to provide dental care preventive services. |
| South Lane Medical Group | Cottage Grove, OR | Adverse medication-related events result in 23% of all admissions and cause 7,000 deaths each year in the U.S. 37% of clinic patients at South Lane Medical Group cited improvements, increased compliance, or changes to their medication regimen as a direct result of a pilot in which pharmacy services were embedded within a primary care team. | Embedding a pharmacist full time in a primary care team will ensure compliance with safe, effective, and cost-effective medications. Increased patient engagement, especially for those with chronic conditions, will be a primary focus. | Partial salary costs for a pharmacist embedded within the primary care team. |
| Children's Health Alliance | Portland, OR | Community awareness of the need for immunizations for adolescents (ages 10-12) is critically low, leading to low immunization rates in Oregon and nationally. Pediatrician immunization care has traditionally prioritized children ages 0-2, leading to a lack of focus on older pediatric populations. | Monthly reporting, gap analysis, and training for MDs to address immunizations for 10-12 year olds. | Partial salary costs for MD training. |

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| Peace Health Medical Group | Eugene, OR | Nonintegration of physical and mental health services has led to complaints about the referral process from PCPs, inconsistent mental health care access, and poor outcomes when PCPs try to address their patients' psychiatric care needs. | The establishment of an interdisciplinary team approach will be implemented to better address patients' physical and mental health care needs all in the physical care space. On-site psychiatry services will help with access issues for those with immediate psychiatric needs. | Costs for a care manager to coordinate care across disciplines, as well as costs for an on-site psychiatrist. |
| Columbia Gorge Family Medicine | Hood River, OR | Community-wide care delivery of care for high-utilizing, polychronic patients is in need of multiple improvements to increase quality of care, reduce unnecessary care, and increase patient satisfaction. | New information gathering, high-utilizing member identification, increased outreach to patients, PCP establishment, and use of LCSWs and CHWs to treat patients. | Salary of clinical staff and data researchers. |
| Oregon Neurology Associates | Eugene, OR | Care of Parkinson's Disease has been shown to be improved via a multidisciplinary approach, including MDs, PTs, STs, OTs, and LCSWs. No such program exists in Lane County. | The development of a multidisciplinary Parkinson's Disease program. | Clinical time for program development, as well as salary for an outreach coordinator. |
| Rogue Valley Medical Center | Medford, OR | Nationally, there is increased attention toward Hospital Acquired Infections (HAIs), which increase morbidity, length of stay, and use of antibiotics. Any patient with a surgical site infection is two times as likely to die and six times as likely to need readmission. | The proactive use of an Infection Control Technician in a collaboration with the Oregon Patient Safety Commission effort to institute best practices pertaining to HAIs, will ensure reduced infection rates at the hospital. | Time and training to educate an infection control technician. |
| The Corvallis Clinic | Corvallis, OR | Uncontrolled, unmanaged hypertension is increasing, leading to disease such as strokes, heart attacks, and other serious conditions. | The installation, customization, and staff training on new care guidelines embedded within an "EHR" should lead to a reduction of poorly managed hypertension. | Partial salary costs for a project coordinator. |
| Portland Adventist Medical Center | Portland, OR | Heart failure is the most common readmission reason for Medicare patients nationally and within Oregon. One of the key reasons is patient/family failure to follow discharge instructions. | Establishment of a new aftercare program in which RNs contact the patients after discharge to ensure aftercare instructions are followed. | Partial salary costs for a project coordinator. |
| Women's Care | Eugene, OR | There is insufficient attention given to postpartum depression within classic OB-GYN care, leading to a gap in comprehensive patient care. | Increased patient and MD education on post partum depression, along with new clinical screening tools in the office. | Staff time for program development along with MD training and integration into Electronic Health Record. |