

Baltimore County Health Coalition Orientation Slides

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Orientation to the Coalition

Population health:

- Interdisciplinary, customizable approach
- Allows health departments to connect practice to policy for change to happen locally.
- Utilizes non-traditional partnerships among different sectors of the community – public health, industry, academia, health care, local government entities, etc.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2020

LHIC Orientation - History

- Maryland Department of Health (MDH) assisted local health departments in creating a Local Health Improvement Coalition (LHIC) in 2011.
- Initiatives for the first years were based on the MDH State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP) 2012; County and State baseline and Maryland target data
- Baltimore County Department of Health (BCDH) chose three initiatives: Tobacco Cessation, Increasing Physical Activity, and Improving Low Birth Weight.

LHIC Orientation - History, cont.

Tobacco Cessation

- Grants to community groups for providing classes
- Support of MDH programs to not initiate or quit smoking
- Control sales of tobacco

LHIC Orientation - History, cont.

Low Birth Weight

- Safe Sleep Grandbaby campaign
- Regional Perinatal Advisory Group (RPAG)
- Deep Creek Project key informant interviews
- Theater ads
- Rotating School poster displays
- Text 4 Babies

LHIC Orientation - History, cont.

Physical Activity

- Website County trails project
- Nature Quest Recs and Parks
- Alliance for Healthier Generation school support

LHIC Orientation - Mission and Goals

A team charter was developed in 2020 with the following scope of work:

“We commit to meeting quarterly and at least once a year to re-assess the system and plan for improved population health”

LHIC Orientation - Structure

- Membership fluctuates
- Members represent the public health system
- Coalition Leadership: Della Leister, RN, Deputy Health Officer and Laura Culbertson, MSN, RN, Chief Quality Improvement.
- Members are added at most meetings
- At the present time there is no membership commitment and attendance varies, although it has been higher when held virtually.

LHIC Orientation - Structure

- The LHIC has four subcommittees that regularly report out and are aligned with the CHNA and CHIP:
 - * Tobacco and Cancer Coalition
 - * Opioid Task Force
 - * Community Action Team from Fetal and Infant Mortality Review
 - * Homeless Services
- Everyone is given an opportunity to share.
- Yearly, a data report is presented by the Office of Quality Improvement.

LHIC Orientation - Structure, cont.

- The LHIC reviews Access to Care annually.
- The group completed an exercise pre and post COVID to identify gaps.
- LHIC reviews CHIP Action Plans Access to Care components: CHIP 2020 was Language Access and CHIP 2021 Insurance Access

LHIC Orientation - Needs Assessments

- The Maryland Hospital Association grant in 2012 was used for a Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA).
- Baltimore County Department of Health (BCDH) chose additional initiatives from the CHNA.
 - Fall Related Deaths
 - Drug Induced Deaths
 - ER visits due to Hypertension
 - Syphilis in males

LHIC Orientation - Needs Assessments

The Action Plan was revised.

Initiatives added were based on the CHNA and qualitative and quantitative data review.

LHIC Orientation - Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)

- 2017 - A Community Health Needs Assessment was conducted with Medstar Franklin Square that included community engagement.
- A CHIP was created in conjunction with partners in the LHIC. The focus was on behavioral health, access to care, and chronic disease.
- The Action Plan for 2018 became the CHIP.

LHIC Orientation - Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)

- Chronic Disease - Distribution of BP cuffs, Maternal Health summit, Living a Healthy Life group, Certification as a pre-diabetes National Diabetes Prevention Plan provider, combining the Cancer and Tobacco Coalitions focusing on tobacco delivery systems in teens
- Behavioral Health - Promotion of peers being hired, Drug Drop boxes
- Access to Care - Language Interpretation Services

LHIC Orientation - Clear Impact

Clear Impact public facing data was added to the Health Department website based on the Performance Management System Strategic Plans. Each item tells the story and tracks fluctuations.

Data:

- Breastfeeding rates from WIC
- Flu vaccines given
- Narcan training provided
- HIV viral suppression in Case Management
- Environmental inspections

LHIC Orientation - Population Health Priorities

- 2020 another CHNA was completed
- CHIP revised
- Focus areas remained basically the same with the expansion of Access to Care to Health Disparities.

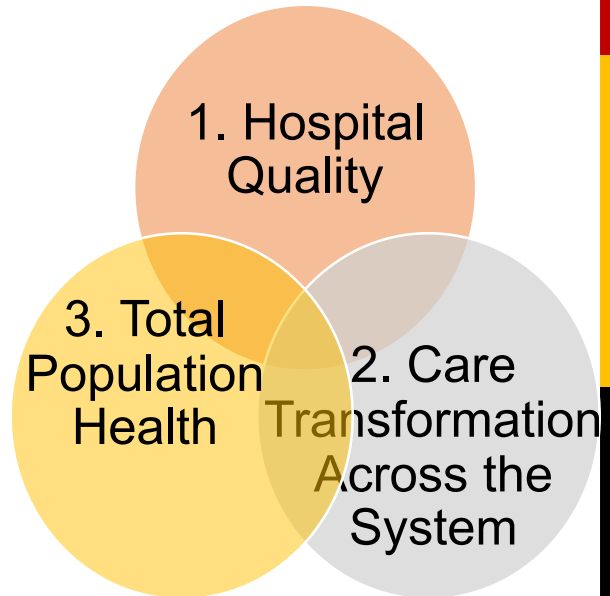
LHIC Orientation - Population Health Priorities, cont.

- **Chronic Disease** - Track referrals to programs, Conduct focus groups with African American and Hispanic groups, Develop a resource for lifestyle programs
- **Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse** - Track referrals to programs, Conduct focus groups with those experiencing disparities, Develop a resource directory
- **Health Disparities** - Promote access to Health Insurance, Conduct focus groups with those experiencing disparities

LHIC Orientation - Maryland Department of Health

December 2019, **Statewide
Integrated Health Improvement
Strategy.**

The State submitted its proposal outlining goals, measures, milestones, and targets to Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI) on December 14, 2020. The full proposal can be read on the [HSCRC website](#).



LHIC Orientation - MDH, cont.

- Goals, measures, and targets should be specific to Maryland and established through a collaborative public process
- Goals, measures and targets should reflect an all-payer perspective
- Goals, measures and targets should capture statewide improvements, including improved health equity
- Goals for the three domains of the integrated strategy should be synergistic and mutually reinforcing
- Measures should be focused on outcomes whenever possible; milestones, including process measures, may be used to signal progress toward the targets
- Maryland's strategy must promote public and private partnerships with shared resources and infrastructure